

July 12, 2010

The Bastrop City Council met in Special Session on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, 904 Main Street, Bastrop, Texas. Members present were Mayor Terry Orr and Council Members Bill Peterson, Kay Garcia McAnally, Joe Beal and Ken Kesselus.

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 p.m. Mayor Terry Orr called the meeting to order with all members present, with the exception of Julie Hart who was absent.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ISSUES RELATED TO BUILDING MATERIAL SELECTION FOR THE NEW CITY HALL BUILDING.

Mr. Talbot stated Mervin Fatter, Architect on the new City Hall and Convention Center Projects was present tonight to discuss and confirm the color and rock selections for the new City Hall building.

Discussion was held among Council and Mr. Fatter in regard to the material selections.

Joe Beal moved to adopt the recommendations of the architect: Paint "A" on the selection example sheet and the rock layout as described per the architect. Motion was seconded by Kay Garcia McAnally. Motion carried 3:0.

FOR MOTION: Joe Beal, Kay Garcia McAnally and Bill Peterson

ABSTAIN: Ken Kesselus

Bill Peterson moved to adopt the recommendations of the architect in regard to the mill work. Motion was seconded by Ken Kesselus. Motion carried 3:0.

FOR MOTION: Bill Peterson, Ken Kesselus and Joe Beal.

ABSTAIN: Kay Garcia McAnally.

Discussion was then held among the Council, City Manager Mike Talbot and Mr. Fatter in regard to the placement of the Masonic Lodge plaque which will show the year the building was built.

Mr. Fatter recommended the plaque be placed on the side of the building facing Chestnut Street, right of the double doors.

Discussion was held among Council in regard to a plaque that would contain the names of the Council Members.

It was the consensus of Council to place a plaque containing the names of the Council Members in the inside of the City Hall Building.

3. WORKSHOP SESSION – THE BASTROP CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS SPECIAL SESSION AND CONVENE INTO A WORKSHOP SESSION TO DISCUSS:

A. DISCUSSION OF POLICY AND PROCESS FOR EVALUATING AND ACTING ON HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUNDING REQUESTS.

- B. DISCUSSION OF PRIORITY LISTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS.
- C. DISCUSSION & EVALUATION RELATED TO THE COUNCIL'S "LONG-TERM GOALS AND/OR PLANNING", (I.E. GOALS AND PLANNING THAT MAY BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE CITY WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE INCLUDING [BUT NOT LIMITED TO]: 1) GROWTH IN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION, INCLUDING MATTERS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION, DEVELOPMENT AND ANNEXATION; 2) COUNCIL'S LONG-TERM VISION, FOR THE CITY OF BASTROP AND ITS EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION; 3) CITY ORGANIZATION, ADMINISTRATION AND STAFFING; 4) CITY OPERATIONS, SERVICES, UTILITIES, FACILITIES AND PROPERTY IN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION; 5) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION; 6) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION; AND 7) CURRENT AND FUTURE WATER NEEDS IN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION.

At 6:10 p.m., Mayor Orr convened the Bastrop City Council into workshop session to discuss the following:

- A. Discussion of policy and process for evaluating and acting on Hotel/Motel Tax funding requests.

Council Member Kesselus stated he had talked to all the organizations who currently received Hotel/Motel funds and asked for their input on what they thought the City should be doing in regard to how this money is allocated and the process involved. Mr. Kesselus stated most of what he heard was in reference to longer range planning. Mr. Kesselus stated he had a meeting with Karla Stovall and Tracy Board and discussed the state laws regarding the distribution of Hotel/Motel funds. Mr. Kesselus called the Council's attention to a handout "Proposed HOT Funding City Council Calendar and Process". Mr. Kesselus reviewed his proposal and calendar.

Discussion was held among Council.

Joe Beal suggested that if the Council is in position to adopt Mr. Kesselus' proposed calendar and process, when the letter is sent out from the Finance Department on July 21, 2010 three things happen: 1) In the letter state that even though an organization is requesting funding, there is no guarantee they will receive the amount they request or any amount at all; 2) Pick the day that the organizations will make their presentations to Council and put that date in the letter; and 3) Pick an amount of time allotted to each organization to make their presentation and put that in the letter as well.

Mr. Beal also stated that after the process has been finalized and the organizations are approved for funding, from day one they are made aware that if they cannot provide the information requested in the quarterly report, they will not receive the funding.

Lori Chapin and Jane Sanders, Bastrop Homecoming Committee, addressed the Council and asked questions regarding the proposed process.

Davis McAuley addressed the Council and asked the following: 1) When an organization is filling out the application when will they know how big a pot of money is the Council working with; and 2) It was suggested that August 4, 2010 was the due date for applications, when

someone delivers an application on August 5, will that application be accepted, and also how will I know how many organizations have applied for funding?

Mr. Kesselus stated that he believed the due date would be the final date for the City staff to accept applications to be reviewed by the Council.

Mary McMurray addressed the Council and requested the Council allow themselves time to read the information provided by the organizations.

Joe Jensen asked if there was a matrix available that would list the amounts of funding received last year by organizations. Mr. Jensen stated he did not know if the total sum of funding was important, what is important is the budgets of the organizations.

B. Discussion of priority lists from Council Members.

City Manager, Mike Talbot stated Council Member Joe Beal had previously submitted questions about the Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 3. Mr. Talbot stated he is working on these questions and at tomorrow night's Council Meeting the Council will be discussion acquisition of property in executive session.

No discussion was held on this item.

- C. Discussion & evaluation related to the Council's "long-term goals and/or planning that may be implemented by the City within the near future including [but not limited to]: 1) Growth in the City's jurisdiction, including matters related to transportation, development and annexation; 2) Council's long-term vision, for the City of Bastrop and its extraterritorial jurisdiction; 3) City organization, administration and staffing; 4) City operations, services, utilities, facilities and property in the City's jurisdiction; 5) Economic development in the City's jurisdiction; 6) Capital Improvements in the City's jurisdiction; and 7) Current and future water needs in the City's jurisdiction.

City Manager, Mike Talbot stated that he and Council Member Joe Beal had met today with Chris Holtkamp, LCRA Senior Planner Community & Economic Development. Mr. Talbot stated Mr. Holtkamp will be at the August 9, 2010 Council Workshop Session to continue the Council's discussion on long-range goals and planning.

Mayor Orr stated the discussion of priority lists from Council Members will be posted for the July 26, 2010 Council Workshop.

4. THE BASTROP CITY COUNCIL WILL ADJOURN WORKSHOP SESSION AND RECONVENE INTO SPECIAL SESSION TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION(S) REGARDING WORKSHOP SESSION ITEMS.

At 7:06 p.m., the Bastrop City Council adjourned Workshop Session and reconvened into Special Session to take any necessary action(s) regarding Workshop Session items.

Joe Beal moved to adopt the proposed HOT Funding City Council Calendar and Process that was developed by Council Member Kesselus and the application packet include the three items he previously recommended: 1) In the letter state that even though an organization is requesting funding, there is no guarantee they will receive the amount they request or any amount at all;

2) Pick the day that the organizations will make their presentations to Council and put that date in the letter; and 3) Pick an amount of time allotted to each organization to make their presentation and put that in the letter as well. Seconded by Kay Garcia McAnally and carried unanimously.

Ken Kesselus moved that the Mayor appoint a task force to take a look at the broad parameters of the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund Account and report back to Council at the first Council meeting in March 2011 to give the Council more comprehensive direction.

Mayor Orr stated that this had not been discussed tonight but he could certainly place that on a future agenda to be discussed.

Lori Chapin invited everyone to attend the Homecoming event beginning August 4, 2010.

5. ADJOURN

At 7:13 p.m., Joe Beal moved to adjourn. Seconded by Kay Garcia McAnally and carried unanimously.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Terry Orr, Mayor

Teresa Valdez, City Secretary