

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in Special Session at 5:30 p.m., Work Session at 6:00 p.m. and Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive on the 24th day of May 2011 with the following members present:

Chris Brow  
Ray Champney  
Roger Fisher  
Jim Griffin  
Roy Savage  
Roy W. Turner

Mayor Pro Tem  
Council Members

Constituting a quorum.

Mayor Story was absent at tonight's meeting.

Staff present included:

David Miller  
Stan Lowry  
Michael Wells  
Roger Gibson  
John Kubala  
Mirenda McQuagge-Walden  
Maria Redburn

Deputy City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Secretary  
Interim Police Chief  
Public Works Director  
Managing Director of Community Services  
Library Manager

### **SPECIAL SESSION**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown called the Special Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

- **Consider a resolution to receive and accept as true and correct the canvassed voting results for the General Election held on May 14, 2011 for the election of Council Members Place 4 and Place 6 as presented by the City Secretary.**

Motioned by Councilman Griffin, seconded by Councilman Turner, to approve a resolution to receive and accept as true and correct the canvassed voting results for the General Election held on May 14, 2011 for the election of Council Members Place 4 and Place 6 as presented by the City Secretary.

Motion approved 6-0-0. Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brown declared the motion carried.

### **INAUGURATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS**

- **Administer Statement of Elected Officer and Oath of Office to newly elected Council Members Place 4 and Place 6 and presentation of the Certificate of Election.**

City Secretary Michael Wells administered the Statement of Elected Officer and Oath of Office to re-elected councilmen Ray Champney, Place 4, and Chris Brown, Place 6, at tonight's meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Brown presented Ray Champney with his Certificate of Election and Councilman Savage presented Chris Brown with his Certificate of Election.

Councilman Champney wanted to thank everyone in the City for allowing him to serve. It is an honor and a privilege and he hopes that he has made some contributions to the City and that he will continue to do so. He urged the citizens to contact him to address any issues. He wants to prove he is deserving of their confidence and votes.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown wanted to thank his parents for all of their support, especially over the last three years. He thanked everyone who helped him throughout the campaign for their support and the giving of their time. He thanked his opponent Ms. Sisson for running a great campaign and getting involved in the City. He told the rest of the Council that it has been an absolute pleasure to serve with them and he is looking forward to working with them over the next three years. This was the first time that the entire Council was held over for two straight years since 2002. It is a sign of the community supporting the direction they are taking the City.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown adjourned the Special Session at 5:37 p.m.

### **WORK SESSION**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

- **Review and discuss items on the regular agenda and consider placing items for approval by consent.**

Council discussed placing the following items by consent: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

- **Staff report regarding the request to close Somerset Circle.**

Public Works Director John Kubala presented information on a request to close Somerset Circle. The request was received through NTE Mobility Partners from a resident on Somerset to eliminate the entry from Somerset Circle onto the eastbound service road of S.H. 183. Mr. Kubala reviewed the request with the Police and Fire Departments. They objected to the fact that it would only leave one way in and out of that subdivision, which consists of approximately 30 homes. Any kind of accident that blocked Somerset Terrace at Stonegate Court would prevent emergency personnel from getting to those homes. After reviewing the request, staff does not believe it is in the public interest to close the Circle and recommends denying the request. Staff will pass the Council's decision on to NTE. The resident who made the request was informed of tonight's meeting and staff's recommendation.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**To convene before the Regular Session, if time permits, in the conference room in compliance with Section 551.001 et. Seq. Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:**

- **Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property in regards to Glenda Drive and Sulphur Branch.**

Council convened into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code regarding Section 551.072, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property in regards to Glenda Drive and Sulphur Branch at 6:11 p.m.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at approximately 6:29 p.m.

Any necessary action to be taken as a result of the Executive Session will occur during the regular session of the Bedford City Council Meeting.

### **REGULAR SESSION 6:30 P.M.**

Regular Session began at 6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER/GENERAL COMMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown called the meeting to order. He announced that Mayor Story and City Manager Beverly Queen Griffith are currently out of town and that staff is keeping track of the weather.

**INVOCATION (Dr. Jeff May, First United Methodist Church of Bedford)**

Dr. Jeff May of First United Methodist Church of Bedford gave tonight's invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**OPEN FORUM**

Nobody chose to speak under tonight's Open Forum.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ITEMS BY CONSENT**

Motioned by Councilman Champney, seconded by Councilman Turner, to approve the following items by consent: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Motion approved 6-0-0. Mayor Pro Tem Brown declared the motion carried.

**COUNCIL RECOGNITION**

**1. Employee Service Recognition**

The following employee received recognition for dedicated service and commitment to the City of Bedford:

James McClure, Police Department – 5 years of service

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**2. Consider approval of the following City Council minutes:**

- a) May 10, 2011 regular meeting
- b) May 17, 2011 special meeting

This item was approved by consent.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**3. Consider an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas, ("City") approving a negotiated resolution between the Steering Committee of cities served by Oncor ("Steering Committee") and Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor" or "Company") regarding the company's application to increase electric rates in all cities exercising original jurisdiction; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; requiring the company to reimburse cities' reasonable ratemaking expenses; and adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement and finding the rates to be set by the attached tariffs to be just and reasonable; approving Oncor's proof of revenues.**

This item was approved by consent.

4. **Consider a resolution authorizing the closure of Kentwood Circle at its intersection with the west bound service road of SH 183 and SH 121 subject to North Tarrant Express (NTE) Mobility Partners continuing the sound wall in this area.**

This item was approved by consent.

5. **Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Hall Albert Construction, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement at Various Creek Crossing Locations in the amount of \$166,886.50.**

This item was approved by consent.

6. **Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into Amendment #1 and Amendment #2 to the professional services contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$11,000 for Signal Warrant Analysis, Traffic Signal Design, Traffic Signal System Upgrade and Coordinated Signal Timing Implementation.**

This item was approved by consent.

7. **Consider a resolution to abandon a Landscape Easement in Lot A, Block 1, Dallas Federal Addition to the City of Bedford, Texas.**

This item was approved by consent.

8. **Consider a resolution ratifying an amendment to the contract with Harrison, Walker and Harper for the construction of a 250 kW photovoltaic solar array system for the new Bedford Public Library requiring that the construction comply with the Buy America Act and the Davis-Bacon Act.**

This item was approved by consent.

9. **Report on most recent meeting of the following Boards and Commissions:**
  - ✓ **Animal Control Board- Councilman Griffin**

No report was given.

- ✓ **Animal Shelter Advisory Board- Councilman Griffin**

No report was given.

- ✓ **Beautification Commission- Councilman Turner**

Councilman Turner reported that the Commission continues to support the Community Garden. The groundbreaking for the Garden was Friday morning and there was a write-up on the groundbreaking in Monday's Star-Telegram.

- ✓ **Community Affairs Commission- Councilman Fisher**

Councilman Griffin sat in for Councilman Fisher at the last Commission meeting. They are currently working on their goals and objectives for current projects such as renewable energy, the Shop Bedford First Program, and HOA and business roundtables. They want to put these in writing and present them to Council to ensure that they were in line with Council's expectations.

- ✓ **Library Board- Councilman Brown**

No report was given.

✓ **Parks & Recreation Board- Councilman Griffin**

No report was given.

✓ **Senior Citizen Advisory Board- Councilman Savage**

No report was given.

✓ **Teen Court Advisory Board- Councilman Champney**

No report was given.

**10. Council member reports**

Councilman Savage gave a report on the Investment Committee meeting. The quarter end average yield for the City's portfolio is 0.78% and the fiscal year-to-date average yield is 0.80%. The Committee received several bids for bank services and there is good completion out there. He then presented the market outlook from Valley View Consulting.

Mr. Champney attended the Community Affairs Alternative Energy event held last Thursday. The guest speaker was William Peck who gave an excellent presentation for one and a half hours. There were 12 people in attendance. It would behoove citizens to attend these types of events since they can learn worthwhile information that could eventually save them a lot of money.

**11. City Manager report**

No report was given.

**12. Take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.**

No action was necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

---

Jim Story, Mayor

ATTEST:

---

Michael Wells, City Secretary