

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

**The City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in Work Session at 5:30 p.m. and Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive, on the 11th day of February, 2014 with the following members present:**

Jim Griffin  
Chris Brown  
Michael Boyter  
Ray Champney  
Patricia Nolan  
Roy W. Turner

Mayor  
Council Members

constituting a quorum.

Councilmember Davisson arrived at 5:39 p.m.

Staff present included:

Beverly Griffith  
David Miller  
Stan Lowry  
Michael Wells  
Cliff Blackwell  
Roger Gibson  
Tom Hoover  
Jacquelyn Reyff  
Bill Syblon

City Manager  
Deputy City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Secretary  
Administrative Services Director  
Police Chief  
Public Works Director  
Planning Manager  
Development Director

### **WORK SESSION**

Mayor Griffin called the Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Council discussed placing the following items on consent: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Police Chief Roger Gibson presented information on Item #3. In December, the City was approached by a person looking to move to Bedford who requested the City look at allowing for miniature pigs. Currently, there is no separate classification for miniature pigs, only a definition for swine, which are prohibited. Staff was asked to consider looking at ordinance revisions to accommodate her request and to protect property rights. He stated that the pigs are called micro- or teacup pigs, and through selective breeding, they have been miniaturized and have their own classification. The requestor has been in this field for 12 years and uses her pigs as emotional support animals at a local hospice. The pigs are harnessed and obedience trained. Other cities that allow these types of pigs include Arlington, Lewisville, North Richland Hills and Watauga. Chief Gibson addressed concerns regarding people selling pigs that are not really miniature, and that this type of pig has maximum size characteristics. Staff has researched the issue and believes that there is a place in the City's ordinances to allow for miniature pigs through slight modifications and encompassing them under permit-eligible animals. They are not to exceed 75 pounds in weight, 20 inches in height, or 25 inches from snout to the base of the tail. The City is protected in that if the pigs exceed those dimensions, they lose their classification as miniature pigs and will be designated as swine. In answer to questions from Council, Chief Gibson stated that the animals are examined by an Animal Control officer and certified; that the owners have to

go before the Animal Shelter Advisory Board; that there are inspections of the residence; that there is an annual recertification; and that currently there are no animals in Bedford that fall under the permit-eligible category.

Human Resources Director Jill McAdams presented information on Item #4, which is to award a contract for employee benefits and contractual services to Benefits Seminar Plus (BSP). A bid for the broker consulting contract was put on October 25 and six bids were received. After a thorough analysis, those bids were narrowed down to two firms based on cost. She stated that all benefits services brokers offer the same services and any deviations are on whether a service is considered a core cost or an add-on cost. A five year rate was asked for based on a one-year contract with four one-year renewals. In contacting other cities, all were satisfied with their benefit services. The City has a good history with BSP, who is the current broker. The second finalist has incremental increases from year one to five, with an overall increase of 62 percent, or 15 percent a year. Both firms were interviewed and it was felt that BSP provided the best value for the taxpayer dollar. In answer to questions from Council, Ms. McAdams stated that several of the firms may have a set format for answering RFPs; that the RFP did not ask questions that would not have been asked in other cities; that the City has been with BSP for 16 years and they did receive one slight increase in May of 1998; that the next lowest city in the area is North Richland Hills at \$30,000 a year and who has had a long-term relationship with their broker; that the City refers a lot of other cities to BSP, which has five other cities in their book-of-business as well as other non-profit governmental entities; that the reason for going out to bid now is to ensure that the City is getting the best value for the dollar; that it has not been bid for so long because there have been no problems and the rates were low; and that staff starts the insurance process in March, they historically bring the contracts to Council in July, and they are going to bring the contract in as early as possible this year. There was discussion on encouraging the City to go out for bid more frequently, that the cost of insurance was \$1.8M, and encouraging the broker to find creative ways to find a better plan for the employees.

Public Works Director Tom Hoover presented information on Item #6, which is for an update to the City's water distribution plan. The current plan was prepared in 1988 and updated in 2010 by Kimley-Horn for the Northwest Pressure Plane, which changed the characteristics of the City and how water goes through the pipes. The mains would be sized to meet current and projected demands, as well as fireflows. It would be important to have that information on hand before replacing water mains. An updated water distribution map would also be included. In answer to questions from Council, Mr. Hoover stated that the Plan was last updated in 2010 only for the Northwest Pressure Plane and the last time the City was done as a whole was in 1988; and that such a plan would be updated anytime a large development comes in and there is a major use change.

Mr. Hoover presented information on Item #9. He stated that Saber Development was contracted to install new mains that would isolate part of the City for the Northwest Pressure Plane, as well as the booster pump and pump station. Once work started and valves were exercised, it was found that 11 valves were not functioning properly and that the system could not be isolated. Estimates were taken and it was determined to bid this project out due to the cost. When the bids were received, they came in well over what staff expected. It was decided that one valve, which is too deep for the City to handle, could be done through a change order, while the other ten could be done with City staff, saving the City almost \$100,000. The change order for the one valve will be presented at the next Council meeting. In answer to questions from Council, Mr. Hoover stated that Public Works has a four-man valve crew, which operates valves across the City and that they had not yet gotten to those particular valves; and that the project would not be overly burdensome to staff.

- **Receive a presentation by Roy Savage on the Charter Review Committee.**

Roy Savage, Chairperson of the Charter Review Committee, presented a report on proposed amendments to the City Charter. He presented each proposition along with a red-lined version of the Charter representing proposed edits. Proposition 1 would allow for the appointment or special election to fill a Council vacancy of less than one year and stating that an appointed member would not be subject to recall. Proposition 2 would eliminate the requirement that Council meet at least twice a month. Proposition 3 amends wording on the portion of the Charter dealing with the budget in order to match state law. Proposition 4 would provide for the publication of the notice of the public hearing on the

budget within time frames required by state law and allows for other means of notice. Proposition 5 would remove language referring to the first Saturday in May for City elections as that is no longer an uniform election date. Propositions 6, 7 and 8 would allow for the appointment or election of the municipal judge, remove the requirement that the judge be a resident for one year and a qualified voter of the City, and remove the term limits. Proposition 9 would remove the language requiring the Planning and Zoning Commission to meet at least once a month and adds that they will meet as needed. Proposition 10 would allow for other means of notification other than the official newspaper. The election would be ordered at the following Council meeting.

Mayor Griffin adjourned the Work Session at 6:34 p.m.

Council reconvened into the Work Session at 7:28 p.m.

- **Follow-up discussion regarding the capital outlays to be purchased and the financing thereof.**

Administrative Services Director Cliff Blackwell presented a follow-up to the January 24, 2014 Council Work Session. He stated that \$2.7M in capital items were presented to Council during the previous summer's budget process. They include replacing desktop and mobile data computers, a bucket truck for Public Works, a new custom pumper truck for the Fire Department, trunk radio system upgrades through Motorola with a remaining amount of \$956,000, and replacing the old management software at a cost of \$680,000. The original cost of the items when presented in June and August of 2013 was \$2,658,698. Currently, the total is \$2,654,000 due to an increase in some items and a decrease in one. In regards to the condition of the fund balance, he stated that the Audit Committee met and the CAFR will be presented to the Council at the next meeting. There is a 20 percent requirement for the unassigned fund balance and the current balance is \$5,751,658, or 20.25 percent. He stated that it may not make economic sense to include the cost of the computers due to their lifetime and suggested drawing down the fund balance by approximately \$300,000. Computers have been identified that can be funneled to water and sewer, dropping the total to approximately \$280,000. This amount would drop the fund balance to \$5,468,201 or 19.25 percent. He stated that the City has the remaining portion of this fiscal year to build back up the fund balance. Six percent of the trunk radio cost, or \$57,407, and 20 percent of the software can go towards water and sewer. These two pieces represent \$193,235, or 8.2 percent, of the \$2.4M. First Southwest was contacted and stated that issuing the bonds for the \$3.2M for Phase 1 of the Boys Ranch improvement would cost \$49,000 and issuing the \$2.4M for the capital items would cost \$45,000, or \$93,000 total. Issuing both at the same time would save approximately \$14,000 and they would have separate debt schedules. He further discussed paying for the bucket truck by drawing down the fund balance to 18.39 percent and stated that the fund balance the previous year was at 17 percent.

There was Council discussion on keeping tax neutral during the budget discussion; the effect of the capital items on the upcoming budget; including necessary items in the budget; and concerns over raising taxes ahead of time. Mr. Blackwell stated that the debt associated with these items would be four-tenths of a penny on the tax rate based on the certified roll from the previous September and that the City has averaged a 1.4 percent increase in these rolls the past three year. In regards to having a cash surplus to cover these payments, he stated it was feasible based on the trend of how the City has finished the past two years. He further stated that the impact would be on the 2015 fiscal year. In answer to questions from Council, he stated that drawing down the fund balance to 18.3 percent would not affect the City's bond rating; and that the difference between the current total and the original total is a decrease of approximately \$4,500. There was discussion on the bond election increasing the tax rate; increases to water and sewer rates; finding creative ways to pay for these items; and concerns about sales tax and going further into the fund balance. City Manager Beverly Griffith stated that Council approved financing the trunk radios and that the City would still have to make yearly payments at \$30,000 more than if they moved forward with this funding mechanism. There was discussion on including the bucket truck in the cash payment and decreasing the fund balance. Council was of consensus to move forward on these items based on the timeline as presented. Ms. Griffith stated that there will be a bond rating call at the end of February and that the official ordinance would be presented for adoption at the March 25 Council meeting.

- **Follow-up discussion regarding the Animal Shelter Advisory Board's presentation on a Trap-Neuter-Release program.**

Mayor Griffin stated the Council received a presentation two weeks ago from the Animal Shelter Advisory Board regarding Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) and that the ball is now in the Council's court. There was Council discussion on the Board's presentation to adopt TNR on a trial basis; that the City does not seek out and trap feral cats; a feral cat that is not an "offender" being released like other animals; whether there would be costs to the City; working with the Texas Coalition on Animal Protection (TCAP); community support; the possibility of a test program without burdening the City and staff and needing a proposal on how it would work; not including other types of cats that cause issues; what is in the best interests of the citizens; the need for specifics; that TNR is already being done and how the City would be involved; where the current colonies are and whether they would be officially designated; the responsibility and liabilities of the City; the need for a reconciliation of the disparity in the costs to the City; opponents of TNR not presenting themselves to Council; opposition to TNR from the National Wildlife Society, professional biologists, PETA and the American Medical Veterinary Association (AMVA); various colonies being taken care of within the City using TNR; and the original Police Department briefing stating that TNR could be considered after a TNR site has been determined.

In answer to questions from Council, Chief Gibson stated the proponents would want to implement TNR with multiple sites; that for a pilot program, staff would consult with legal counsel to address current ordinances, such as the leash law, and determine if modifications need to be made; that in regards to measuring success, he did not know the parameters, how long it would take, who would gather the measurements, and the involvement of staff; that PETA's position was that they could not support TNR and that the AMVA has taken a neutral position; that there was discussion at the previous meeting regarding "rogue cats" whereby if a colony's cat was trapped three times, it was either relocated or euthanized. Chief Gibson stated that in March of 2012, the Police Department prepared their original brief, that the Board was told of the brief on April 27, 2012, and that it was given to Dr. Epps Purchase; that an addendum to the brief was done in January because the Center for Disease control had weighed in on the matter; that there are concerns for doing TNR in a city with the density of Bedford; that the CDC challenged some of the success stories of TNR and discussed the risk of disease transmission; that the numbers for post-exposure treatments is significantly higher; that the total cost for all cremations from the Shelter in the first quarter of the fiscal year was \$350.00; that wildlife that is immediately euthanized includes skunks and coyotes, while raccoons are evaluated on a case-by-case basis; that all animals are evaluated on their current medical health and symptoms; and that wildlife that are released are taken to a greenbelt between Bedford and Colleyville. Chief Gibson stated that if a notched ear cat is caught, it is not automatically euthanized; that staff contacts somebody to take the cat to a rescue; that for the first quarter, five cats were euthanized on the first day due to health reasons, four cats were euthanized for health reasons that were turned in by their owners, eight were euthanized between days four and five, 27 between days seven and nine, 46 between days 10 and 20, and 10 on day 21 or later.

There was discussion that the City does not seek out and trap feral cats but responds to complaints; releasing wild animals back into the wild; and having a relationship with TCAP. Chief Gibson stated that the previous year, 83 locations requested traps for wildlife and 14 others used their own traps; and that there is greater risk with cats having rabies as most people would not approach other wildlife. There was discussion on the colonies already being in the City; residents' feelings about their property rights; that people have chosen to manage the colonies; moving forward with a pilot program and receiving assistance from Fredi Sanderson with the City of Irving; not spending tax dollars on something the City does not need to do; making the situation work for everybody; reducing colonies with spaying/neutering; having less animals to feed and take care of in the Shelter; the objectivity of the pro-TNR group; feral cats being wild animals and not like house cats; nature managing the situation; the difference between killing and euthanasia; the complexity and emotionality of the issue; not knowing what the program truly is and who has what responsibility; the Council not being given details on what they have to do; the legalities and liabilities of the City and the colony managers; who would pay TCAP; not having a true perspective of what other cities do; defining success; not having enough information to move forward; the effect of a pilot program on the colonies; having staff come up with ordinances and determine liabilities; having TCAP administer the program and the City not being involved in the colonies; being fair to the animals; and quality of life.

Mayor Griffin asked for a show of hands from Council on who does not want to move forward with TNR or who does not have enough information to make a decision, and who wants to move forward with TNR. The show of hands indicated that a majority of Council did not want to move forward with TNR.

There was a discussion on not having enough information and not wanting to do TNR being separate issues; having to have clear specifics on what was going to be done; whether TNR was a priority; not knowing what determines success and the costs; and the Animal Shelter Advisory Board being discussed during an upcoming work session on Boards and Commissions.

Mayor Griffin adjourned the Work Session at 9:01 p.m.

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

The Regular Session began at 6:35 p.m.

### **CALL TO ORDER/GENERAL COMMENTS**

Mayor Griffin called the meeting to order.

### **INVOCATION (Pastor Will Cain, Message Church)**

Pastor Will Cain of Message Church gave the invocation.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

### **OPEN FORUM**

Darlene Thomas, 3833 Fox Hollow Drive, Bedford – Ms. Thomas signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR). She stated that she has lived in Bedford for 25 years and started Cats Unlimited five years ago. She has since adopted two cats. She has heard from other people on the benefits of TNR and stated that it has been proven to work and can be successful in Bedford. TNR can be looked at to control the feral cat population in a humane and caring way. Benefits include saving money, dealing with the feral cat population, and reducing calls to her, the Shelter and rescues. She stated that TNR works and asked Council to give it a chance to work in Bedford. She stated that caregivers can take care of the cats' hunger as well as have them spayed/neutered.

Joe Stout – Mr. Stout signed up to speak on TNR but declined to speak.

Laura Jones, 612 Spring Garden Drive, Bedford – Ms. Jones signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. She stated that she has been a resident for 12 years and believes that TNR is a good option. She has adopted three cats from the City. She has helped a colony of cats and with TNR, has reduced its population from 10 cats to three neutered male cats. She stated that it is the humane thing to do, and discussed that keeping this up is stewardship beholding upon what the citizens want and not personal opinion. She stated that the issue is about feral cats and that people need to take responsibility as the human race to take care of these animals and that there are several volunteers to do so. She advised doing a trial run with TNR.

Sandy Patterson, 1932 Highland Drive, Bedford – Ms. Patterson signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. She stated that she moved to Bedford in August of 2012. One of the things she loves about her community is that they take care of feral cats. The cats are fixed, fed and loved. She does not want kittens because the shelters are filled. She does not want the cats to reproduce, does not like killing animals, and does not like her tax money going towards killing animals. She asked that the Council treat animals humanely and stated that TNR works. She asked why spend tax dollars to continue on a path of killing animals and stated that Council needed additional information, to ask for it.

Randy Gardner, 325 Lawanna Drive, Bedford - Mr. Gardner signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. He stated that he is not in favor of TNR and that he has brought up points earlier that have not been addressed. He stated that the issue is about not wanting to do an unpleasant task that may sometimes have to be done and does not think it is the responsible thing to take this option. He stated that it is actually taking options off the table to just let cats go. He stated that there are people that do not choose to have pets and he does not believe the City should do this program or that it will help reduce the cat population. He asked how to get past that he does not have a choice to have feral cats on his property. He stated that he has dedicated his life to the protection of rights and all that is being done is avoiding what sometimes has to be done.

Sandra Bitz, 529 Holder Drive, Hurst – Ms. Bitz signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. She addressed Mr. Gardner’s concerns and stated she is a huge believer in constitutional and individual rights. She stated that TNR helps reduce nuisances when feral cats are spayed/neutered, along with a caretaker who feeds and cares for them. The cats do not have the urge to mate and are in a managed colony. She stated that opponents of TNR feel that if this is passed, that cats are going to converge on the City. She stated she prefers the term “TNVR” to mean Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Release, as vaccination is part of the process. She also prefers the term “community cats” as opposed to feral cats as the community has a responsibility for their welfare. In regards to euthanasia, she reserves that for family pets that have reached the end of their lives or a sick or injured animal. She used the term “kill” in that it is ending a viable life. She stated that this issue requires a shift in paradigm and that the door of opportunity is open. She stated that TNR is a cost effective and humane alternative to trap and kill and urged Council to look at the documentation. She stated she was confident that the Police Department and the Animal Shelter will respond to nuisances in a professional manner and that there are volunteers now ready to assist the City in starting a pilot program. Her organization, the Panther City Feral Cat Coalition, has traps and experienced trappers. She stated that the City of Arlington has already come within a few percentage points of being a no-kill shelter and that TCAP will be opening a state-of-the-art spay/neuter clinic in Hurst.

Jennifer Bumgardner, 1013 Carousel Drive, Bedford – Ms. Bumgardner signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. She stated that she supports TNR and has personally TNR’d a cat. She does not want to bring additional cats onto the streets. She stated that TNR reduces the amount of feral cats by catching them and then spaying/neutering and vaccinating them. It is a way of making the colonies the City already has smaller. She stated that TNR has been adopted all over the country. She further stated that a neighbor’s cats are not feral cats and there are City laws against free-roaming cats. She stated that it costs \$100.00 to catch, board and euthanize a feral cat, that last year, Bedford put down 300 cats at a total of \$30,000, and that TNR was a way to reduce that cost. She discussed other locations that have adopted TNR including Fairfax, Virginia, TCU, and San Antonio. She stated that Bedford has been trapping for years and the numbers have not gone down. She stated that over time, if allowed to embrace this program, the City would soon have a no-kill shelter.

The 30 minutes allotted for Open Forum was up and Council was of the consensus to continue the Open Forum.

Darrell Day, 1317 Brookshire Drive, Bedford - Mr. Day signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. He stated that he has been a resident for the last 15 years and he found out about this issue on Saturday night. He and his wife have two cats which they adopted and that he sees the occasional feral cat when out walking his dogs. He stated that he has never had an issue with feral cats being a nuisance. He related a story regarding cats and kittens living in a storm drain. He stated that nature is going to keep the process going and that the occasional feral cat that is cared for and spayed/neutered will not be a nuisance to residents and tax payers.

Matt Smith, 1513 Woodvale Drive, Bedford – Mr. Smith signed up to speak on the Work Session item regarding TNR. He stated that he is a big supporter of TNR and did not know anything about this issue until six months ago. He stated that this is a win/win situation, that killing is wrong, and that there is a way around it that will save money. He stated that he has not seen feral cats as a nuisance. He stated that it is not a big risk and would not be hurting anybody’s rights.

## **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ITEMS BY CONSENT**

Motioned by Councilmember Champney, seconded by Councilmember Turner, to approve the following items by consent: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 with naming Alicia McGlinchey as the chair of the Cultural Commission and Thomas Jacobsen as vice chair.

Motion approved 7-0-0. Mayor Griffin declared the motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. **Consider approval of the following City Council minutes:**
  - a) **January 24, 2014 work session**
  - b) **January 28, 2014 regular meeting**

This item was approved by consent.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

2. **Public hearing and consider an ordinance to rezone a portion of Tracts 2B6A1 & 2B6C, Abstract 11, Alexander Allen Survey, located at 2921 Brown Trail, Suite 110, from Heavy Commercial to Heavy Commercial/Specific Use Permit/Churches, Temples & Synagogues, specifically for a Specific Use Permit to allow for Metroplex Messianic Fellowship; declaring that this ordinance be cumulative of all other ordinances; providing for a severability clause; providing for a penalty; and declaring an effective date. (Z-243)**

Planning Manager Jacquelyn Reyff presented information regarding this ordinance. She stated that this item was published in the January 22 edition of the Star-Telegram. It is for a specific use permit (SUP) for Metroplex Messianic Fellowship to be located at 2921 Brown Trail Suite 110 in an existing office building with a lease space of 1,475 square feet. The property is zoned Heavy Commercial and the applicant wants to use it as a religious-based meeting space. The existing landscaping is from a previous development and the site is sufficiently landscaped for the proposed use. The expected occupancy is up to 30 people, which would generate 10 parking spaces, and there is ample parking of 75 spaces. Meetings would be held during non-business hours on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 10:00 a.m. The Comprehensive Plan indicates the site to be commercial so the proposed use would not conflict with the Plan. This item was approved unanimously by the Planning and Zoning Commission at their January 9, 2014 meeting.

Mayor Griffin opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Nobody chose to speak during the public hearing.

Mayor Griffin closed the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

In answer to questions from Council, Ms. Reyff stated that there were no stipulations placed to run the SUP with the name of the business; that if Metroplex Messianic Fellowship left and another entity wanted to use the location as a religious meeting space, they would not need an SUP; and that if it is an office use allowed by right, an SUP would not be needed.

Motioned by Councilmember Davisson, seconded by Councilmember Turner, to approve an ordinance to rezone a portion of Tracts 2B6A1 & 2B6C, Abstract 11, Alexander Allen Survey, located at 2921 Brown Trail, Suite 110, from Heavy Commercial to Heavy Commercial/Specific Use Permit/Churches, Temples & Synagogues, specifically for a Specific Use Permit to allow for Metroplex Messianic Fellowship; declaring that this ordinance be cumulative of all other ordinances; providing for a severability clause; providing for a penalty; and declaring an effective date. (Z-243)

Motion approved 6-0-1. Mayor Griffin declared the motion carried.

Voting in favor of the motion: Mayor Griffin, Councilmember Boyter, Councilmember Davisson, Councilmember Champney, Councilmember Turner and Councilmember Brown.

Abstaining from voting: Councilmember Nolan

- 3. Consider an ordinance amending Section 18-1 (Definitions) of Chapter 18 – Animals, of the City of Bedford Code of Ordinances, to define miniature pigs and authorizing the same for permit eligible; providing a penalty clause; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 4. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contractual agreement with Benefit Seminars Plus in the amount of \$24,000 to provide benefit brokerage and consulting services for employee benefits.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 5. Consider a resolution of the City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas declaring that the City of Bedford is a hybrid entity for purposes of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA); designating the City's health care covered components; designating HIPAA privacy and security officers; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 6. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$75,000 for the Water Master Plan Update.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 7. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to authorize a contract in the amount of \$34,225 to TexOp Construction, LP for asphalt milling work.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 8. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Pacheco Koch, LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$110,276 for the Brasher Lane Paving Improvements Project.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 9. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to reject all bids for the Miscellaneous Water Valve Replacement at Various Locations project that bid on January 8, 2014.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 10. Consider a resolution appointing the chairperson and vice-chairperson of the Cultural Commission.**

This item was approved by consent and Alicia McGlinchey was named chairperson and Thomas Jacobsen was named vice chairperson of the Cultural Commission.

- 11. Report on most recent meeting of the following Boards and Commissions:**

✓ **Animal Shelter Advisory Board - Councilmember Boyter**

No report was given.

✓ **Beautification Commission - Councilmember Turner**

Councilmember Turner reminded citizens regarding the Chunk Your Junk and Clean Up Bedford days on Saturday, March 29.

✓ **Community Affairs Commission - Councilmember Boyter**

No report was given.

✓ **Cultural Commission - Councilmember Nolan**

No report was given.

✓ **Library Board - Councilmember Davisson**

No report was given.

✓ **Parks & Recreation Board - Councilmember Davisson**

No report was given.

✓ **Senior Citizen Advisory Board - Councilmember Turner**

Councilmember Turner stated that the Board meets quarterly and that a Valentine's Day dance was held on February 10.

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

No report was given.

**12. Council member reports**

Councilmember Davisson commended Councilmember Nolan on the Library Foundations Mardi Gras and Casino Night, which raised up to \$20,000 for the Library.

**13. City Manager/Staff Reports**

Deputy City Manager David Miller introduced Natalie Foster, the new Marketing Director, who has a degree in broadcast journalism from Texas Women's University and has previously worked at Fox and CBS.

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

No Executive Session was held.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Griffin adjourned the regular session at 7:27p.m.

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Jim Griffin, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michael Wells, City Secretary