



**MINUTES**  
**Wilmer City Council Regular Meeting**  
**July 7, 2016 at 7:00 pm**

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*Council Members Present: Mayor Casey Burgess, Pro Tempore Sheila Petta,  
Council Members Candy Madrigal, John Eggen and Melissa Ramirez*

*Council Members Absent: Sergio Campos*

*City Staff Present: City Administrator D. Wheat, City Secretary E. Lopez, and Officers Lopez & Fenton*

**CALL TO ORDER** - At 7:00 pm, Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order with a quorum present at the Wilmer Community Center located at 101 Davidson Plaza in Wilmer, Texas.

**INVOCATION** – Led by Mayor Casey Burgess

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Wilmer City Council Members

**PROCLAMATION** – None

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

- John Phinney shared information about the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Chautauqua Lectures sponsored by the E.M. Gilliam Memorial Public Library at 7:00 pm in the Wilmer Community Center.
  - July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - "Sugar Ridge Winer in Bristol" Michele Andrews Owner
  - July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Democratic Party Chair Carol Donovan
  - July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – Republican Party Chair, Mark Montgomery
- Mary Phinney and Gail A. Bell both spoke in support of the Library expansion.

**COMMUNITY INTEREST**

- Mayor Pro-Tem Petta thanked all the participants and volunteers who attended the Blood Drive held on Sunday, July 3, 2016 – It was a success!
- Mayor Burgess expressed his appreciation to John Phinney for initiating and organizing the Annual Chautauqua Lectures.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS HELD ON JUNE 16 AND JUNE 22, 2016.**
2. **RATIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES FROM JUNE 7, 2016 – JUNE 28, 2016.**
3. **CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 16-0707 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A QUITCLAIM DEED RELEASING PUBLIC OWNERSHIP, INTEREST AND CONTROL OF PORTIONS OF PLEASANT RUN ROAD IN THE CITY OF WILMER**

Mayor Burgess requested a motion.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro-Tem Petta motioned to Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 3; Minutes for June 16 and June 22, 2016; Ratification of Expenditures from June 7 through June 28, 2016; and Ordinance No 16-0707 Authorizing the Mayor to Execute A Quitclaim Deed Releasing Public Ownership, Interest and Control of Portions of Pleasant Run Road in the City of Wilmer.

**SECOND:** Council Member Ramirez

**VOTE:** Motion passed 4-0 to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 3.

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)**           None

## ACTION ITEMS

**4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 16-0707 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A JOINT OPERATIONS AGREEMENT WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE E.M. GILLIAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO THE LIBRARY BUILDING.**

Mayor Burgess invited "Friends of the Library" Representative Marlena Dyess who addressed the Council and referenced Resolution 2013-0202B Supporting the Library Expansion. In 2015 the Council included \$30,000 in the Series 2015 Tax Note for the Library Expansion.

Mayor Burgess expressed concern on the bid process and legal requirements. Marlena Dyess stated 3 bids had been received, the one selected was provided for the Council's consideration with the aforementioned agenda item.

The Council Members held a discussion, they expressed concern on the age and condition of the current building and discussed reserving funds for a grant match.

Mayor Burgess concluded the discussion and requested a motion.

**MOTION** Council Member Eggen motioned to approve Resolution No. 16-0707 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Joint Operations Agreement with the Friends of the E.M. Gilliam Memorial Library for the Construction of an Addition to the Library Building; with the Stipulation of Legal Review by the City Attorney on the legal requirements.

**SECOND** Council Member Madrigal

**VOTE** Motion passed 4-0; Resolution No 16-0707 with a stipulation of legal review.

City Administrator Wheat requested if the Council wanted this item to return for reconsideration. The Council unanimously agreed that the final determination was dependent on the City Attorney's findings.

## DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

**5. Discuss Ad HOC Pioneer Day Committee.**

The Council held a discussion and unanimously confirmed the following as Members of the Ad HOC Pioneer Day Committee:

- 1) Council Member John Eggen
- 2) Council Member Melissa Ramirez
- 3) Connie Saunders
- 4) Ann Hester
- 5) Leann Kemp

Mayor requested if there were any objections, hearing none the Ad HOC Pioneer Day Committee were appointed.


**EXECUTIVE SESSION** None

**ADJOURNMENT** At 7:30 pm, Mayor Burgess adjourned the meeting

APPROVE

ATTEST

  
Casey Burgess, Mayor

  
Elizabeth Lopez, City Secretary