

The Regular Council Meeting of January 26, 2016 was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**MAYOR**

Ron Reinhard - Absent

**OTHERS**

Chief David Bejar

Shawn Main

Linda Reeves

Chris Mikel

Lorna Main

Murry Hughey

**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Lou Hoffman

Susan Darst

Don Reddout

Don Nettle

Donald Darst

Madeline McCloskey

Jennifer Nottingham

Irene Scharf

Ed Scharf

Mitch Thornton – Mayor Pro Tem

Marjorie Mautz

Barbara Coulter

Lynn Tiner

Laurie Hawkins

Ted Coulter

Gigi Duke

Tom Haberman

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton declared a quorum with all Councilmember's present. He will preside the meeting this evening as Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Reinhard is in Austin for a management function and couldn't be present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the November 15, 2015 Workshop Meeting were reviewed. Councilmember Nottingham stated page 1, Agenda Item No. 3, first line, we can remove wording "years ago". Councilmember Tiner stated page 1, top of page under Councilmembers, his last name is spelled incorrectly, remove the "e". The motion to approve the minutes with the two amendments discussed was made by Councilmember Nettle, seconded by Councilmember Nottingham and passed unanimously.

The minutes of the November 24, 2015 Regular Council Meeting were reviewed. Councilmember Nettle stated he has four typos. Page 3, Fire Department Report, six lines down, the record should read "Chief Reddout was in command" adding "in". Page 3, Agenda Item No. 1, five lines down, where it states "The City Building Inspector states", it should reflect "stated". Page 4, first paragraph, third line from the bottom, "to" should be removed after the word "information". Page 4, Agenda Item No. 3, nine lines down, the word "demonstrated" should reflect "demonstrates". The motion to approve the minutes with the four corrections noted was made by Councilmember Nottingham, seconded by Councilmember Nettle and passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated the December 22, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Minutes are not ready and will be placed on the February Agenda.

**PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS AND VISITORS**

Susan Darst stated she would like to hold her comments at this time.

Don Darst stated he would like to commend Council and the sub-committee on its selection and resume process for the Scenic Loop Playground Community Supervisory Board. It's a good process and it opened it up for all interested to submit a resume. He's pleased who the nominee's are. He thinks they will serve the City well knowing how much they care about the community. Another important element is who from Council will be a part of the Board. They need someone who will work well with Board members and the community. Don Darst stated he would like to recommend Jennifer Nottingham for the Council position. She knows how to work well with people, has been on several boards in the community and has served this City well. Don Darst stated Don Nettle also deserves credit and would be good for the Board. Don Nettle led the committee that put together a proposal very similar to where we are now several years ago. Don Nettle did it tirelessly and for the betterment of the community.

Irene Scharf stated she's glad to see all the citizens who are interested in serving on the Scenic Loop Playground Community Advisory Board, especially those from SLPC and the SLPC Board. As there were only seven applicants, why not let all who volunteered serve on the Board, at least for the first year. It's supposed to be about citizen's ideas and plans for the future of the property. Why not let everybody put their ideas on the table and have full open

discussion. Council can easily amend the Ordinance to accomplish that. Council should not have fear of any idea or plan the Board puts forward because Council is the only body who will vote on what ideas and/or plans get funded. There was early discussion if the Board should consist of five or seven members. Irene Scharf stated since the entire Council votes on the applicants, having a selective committee look at the resumes and make a recommendation to the entire Council without full disclosure gives the appearance that a click of individuals is trying to control and manipulate the process. Those who served on SLPC for many years in various capacities should not be disqualified on the basis that we are now going in a new direction. Many of those individuals were the ones who pushed and worked for the transfer of SLPC properties to the City. They have valuable knowledge of the history of the properties and have a lot to offer.

Marjorie Mautz stated Irene Scharf stated it really well. She would like to see Lou Hoffman or Don Nettle in the Council position on the Scenic Loop Playground Community Advisory Board. They're both extremely knowledgeable with what's going on and what's been. They know how to speak to people. She's really proud of the people that got their resumes in but wishes applicants were given more time as there were others interested.

### **MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS/FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated the Monthly Financials have been provided.

### **COUNCIL/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Nottingham stated the Madla Board has a fundraiser coming up on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker is George Veni. As some may know him, George Veni is referred to as the cave guru. He knows the in/out's of caves in the United States, maybe the world. The location for the fundraiser hasn't yet been set. The next Madla Board Meeting is this coming Sunday at 6:00 p.m. and is an Open Meeting. The Madla Board was given a donation to purchase trees. They were able to purchase five trees with the donation: one 10 gallon chinquapin tree that is behind Don Taylor's marker and a variety of four smaller trees to continue the diversity in the park.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT**

Chief Bejar reviewed the December 2015 Monthly Activity Report. There were 101 calls for service, 967 hours worked, 5147 miles driven, 45 traffic stops, 32 summons issued, 19 warnings and 4 arrests. Chief Bejar stated they will have several animal complaints on next month's report. Councilmember Nottingham stated the citizens appreciate the Police and Public Works managing the animals at large.

### **PUBLIC WORKS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chris Mikel reviewed the December 2015 Monthly Activity Report. Public Works continues to work on tree trimming, citizens brush chipping, road work, animal control and upkeep of the City. Chris Mikel stated he's trying to make sure everyone is aware that the Oak Wilt Ordinance was changed to prohibit trimming or cutting of Oaks Trees through the end of June.

### **GFU UTILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated Jeff English is not present.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Don Reddout stated there were nine runs in the City. One call was cancelled in route. The rest were mostly Medical/Assist EMS calls. The runs are up everywhere, including the City. More people mean more activity.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF FOUR NON-COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS TO THE SUPERVISORY BOARD OF THE SCENIC LOOP PLAYGROUND (SLP) COMMUNITY PROPERTY AND FACILITIES PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 215**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated Mayor Reinhard has provided an outline of the process followed to provide City Council a recommendation for appointment of Board members to the Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Advisory Board. The outline is available on the table for citizens. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton reviewed the outline. In accordance with Ordinance No. 215, Mayor Reinhard solicited resumes from land owning citizens willing to serve on the Board by sending a letter to the citizens in December 2015. The letter didn't have a submission end date so a message was placed on the City marquee during the first part of January 2016 requesting that resumes be submitted by January 12, 2016. The second part of the process involved the Mayor selecting two Council members to serve on a sub-committee to review submitted resumes and recommend four candidates for appointment to the Board by City Council. This was done by a sub-committee consisting of the Mayor and Councilmember's Tiner and Thornton. Mayor Reinhard's approach in selecting the committee was two of the five Councilmember's: Lou Hoffman and Jennifer Nottingham expressed an interest in serving on the Board. They were not considered for the committee to avoid any appearance of potential bias. Of the remaining three members, he selected Lynn Tiner and Mitch Thornton. In recent times, two-thirds or more of Grey Forest citizens have not been members of SLPC. His selection of the two Councilmember's, being non-SLPC members and himself, being an active SLPC member formed a representative group of the community as it exists with regard to SLPC and non-SLPC membership. Mayor Reinhard feels it's important to recognize that the SLP Community is a new City enterprise responsible to all citizens of Grey Forest. In moving forward, being all inclusive needs to be an important focus. The SLP Community Advisory Board will set the course for the future. It will have the rich history of SLPC to draw from for the City's operation of the SLP Community by choosing from the best of the SLPC operations and adapting to the new needs of the overall community. Mayor Reinhard stated in selecting from the submitted resumes, the sub-committee met on Sunday, January 17, 2016 to review the resumes. They independently and without discussion, ranked the resumes as to candidate experience and qualifications. Candidates Laurie Hawkins, Susan Darst and Madeline McCloskey were all ranked in the top three. The fourth position was split between Kyle Cunningham and Irene Scharf. Kyle Cunningham had more rankings for the fourth spot. It was discussed as a group and Kyle Cunningham was placed as the fourth recommendation. The sub-committee unanimously agreed to make the following recommendation to City Council for Board appointment to the SLP Community Advisory Board: Laurie Hawkins (2 year term), Susan Darst (2 year term), Madeline McCloskey (1 year term) and Kyle Cunningham (1 year term). There was not voting specifically for or against anyone. The review and recommendation of Board members to City Council was done thoughtfully and in accordance with Ordinance No. 215 establishing the SLP Community Advisory Board. Mayor Reinhard, Councilmember's Tiner and Thornton want to recognize and thank Irene Scharf, Ed Scharf and Ted Coulter for their interest in serving on the Board. Ed Scharf stated the sub-committee's appointment is very suspicious. You have Don Nettle who has been a very active part of the club and community, why was he overlooked in being part of the sub-committee. Irene Scharf stated Council has not even seen all the resumes, how can they make an informed decision. Councilmember Nettle asked if they can make a decision not to vote on this item tonight. He feels Council may have made a mistake in the way the Ordinance is worded. SLPC is such an integral part of the people that are involved in the City; he doesn't understand why we want to separate them out. They are all good candidates and he would rather Council vote on everyone that applied. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated he has all seven resumes for Council to review if needed. The sub-committee only makes a recommendation. The final decision will be made by City Council. The sub-committee's recommendation is one that can be accepted or rejected. Councilmember Hoffman asked Councilmember Nottingham if she was aware of the appointment of Lynn Tiner and Mitch Thornton to the sub-committee. In addition, if she was aware, when was she told. Councilmember Nottingham stated she was aware and honestly doesn't remember when she was told. Councilmember Hoffman asked why he and Don Nettle weren't told about it; why were they kept in the dark. Councilmember Nottingham stated she asked about it because she wanted to be a part of the sub-committee. She was advised no because of her interest on the Board. The Mayor was going to ask Mitch Thornton and Lynn Tiner for the same reason that was just read in the Mayor's outline. Councilmember Hoffman stated there were a lot of contentious discussions and a hard sell to get the SLPC Membership to cede the property to the City. The process for Board appointment was set up in the

Ordinance and yes the letter of the law was followed. However, because of the hard sell, we need to go to the extra degree of openness. By not knowing the Councilmember's on the sub-committee and not announcing the meeting, therefore not having that openness, we set up the scenario of distrust to those who were reluctant to cede the property to the City. Not inviting the candidates under consideration or the public, doesn't build the trust that the City should be building. Councilmember Hoffman stated his suggestion would be that the sub-committee has a do over. Go back and have the meeting again. Open the meeting up so the candidates who applied and the public can attend. So they can see the process before their eyes. At the very least it's what we owe them. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated again, the sub-committee only provided a recommendation. They are not the final decision. City Council makes the final decision. What's being hidden if Council votes this evening in front of everyone in an Open Meeting, where is anyone being kept in the dark. Councilmember Nottingham stated Council has sub-committees for many things. A few examples: hiring a City Secretary, Public Works position, City Engineer, and Budget. Those meetings are not published Open Meetings. Councilmember Hoffman stated this is a different matter, its property these residents gave up and we need to build the trust that it's going to be handled properly. There was lengthy discussion on being transparent and the qualification of the candidates. Councilmember Hoffman made the motion that Council put this item off and the sub-committee holds another meeting, a do over, allowing transparency. Councilmember Nettle stated he would rather consider appointments now if the resumes are going to be reviewed in an Open Meeting with open discussion. He wants to consider all the applicants versus only the ones listed in the recommendation. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton called for a second to Councilmember Hoffman's motion. There was no second and the motion failed. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated Ordinance No. 215 states if City Council doesn't approve the appointment of a recommended candidate, the committee will submit another candidate from the submitted resumes. Shawn Main asked how much time did Councilmember's have to review all seven submitted resumes. Councilmember's Nettle and Hoffman are just seeing the other resumes right now. How have they been given time to make an informed decision. Councilmember Nottingham stated she asked for a copy of all the resumes and reviewed all seven today. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton asked how Council would like to proceed. Council can make a motion to accept the recommendation, if the motion doesn't carry, they can review the other resumes at that time or the agenda item can be tabled. Councilmember Nottingham stated if it's tabled, that's another month of nothing getting done. Councilmember Hoffman stated Council can have a Workshop in a week or two. Don Darst stated nominating committees are usually set up to go through the various candidates in order to break it down into something practical and come out with a nomination. Councilmember Hoffman stated he agrees with Don's assertion except in this case where it's ceding a property that they all owned based on trust. We need to take the exceptional step and make it that much more open. Councilmember Nottingham stated she would like to take a recess and give Council time to review all seven resumes. Councilmember Hoffman stated we have Ron Green here to give a presentation and Board members from ESD No. 8, he suggests this be tabled and the sub-committee go back and hold another meeting. Councilmember Nottingham stated she doesn't want to table this. She suggests we ask Dr. Ron Green to make his presentation, discuss the lease with ESD No. 8 and then readdress Agenda Item No. 1. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we will revisit Agenda Item No. 1 later in the meeting and welcomed Dr. Ron Green.

#### **4. PRESENTATION BY AND DISCUSSION WITH DR. RON GREEN REGARDING CREEK CONDITIONS AND FLOOD CONTROL IN AND NEAR THE CITY OF GREY FOREST**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated Mayor Reinhard asked Dr. Ron Green to give a presentation concerning the flooding and debris in the creek. Dr. Ron Green provided handouts on the role of the Helotes Creek, flashing floods and Riparian Buffers. He discussed the watershed boundaries of the Helotes Creek. He stated a lot of people get their water from the Upper Glen Rose. It's good water but is shallow and very susceptible to drought. The Middle Glen Rose is bad water; you can't drink it and has TDS of a couple thousand. The Lower Glen Rose is good water and the wells are about 400 to 700 feet deep so they're not impacted. It's the Upper Glen Rose that has been impacted by a lot of the wells and is why you no longer have water running in the creeks except during floods or surface runoff. Dr. Ron Green stated some of the largest rainfall in the world is experienced in this area. You have weather patterns coming in from the Pacific, coming off the Gulf and coming in from the East. Sometimes when they meet here, they'll stall for several days. That's when you get 30 inches of rain in 3 days and have a flood. This area is extremely susceptible to flooding which is why they call it Flash-Flood Alley. Dr. Ron Green stated we have a problem with the arundo, it's an invasive species and you need to get rid of it. The way to get rid of it is to spray it. The spray is a poison but an environmentally sound,

safe poison. You leave the stalks. They look unsightly because they die but you don't want to disrupt it. The native species then comes back and grows up through it. You have to start upstream and do the entire watershed. He would like to get all the arundo identified and mapped. Once mapped, we could go to Bexar County and get a grant. That's something he'd like to see done and could write the grant. Dr. Ron Green stated degraded riparian buffers reduce water quality values. You don't want to clear them out. San Antonio River Authority is now putting hundreds of millions of dollars into restoring the lower San Antonio River. Back in the 20's and 30's, they cleared all the vegetation for a number of reasons and now they're trying to restore it to its original state. You want to remove some of the debris that floats down but you don't want to remove the vegetation. The vegetation slows down the water that goes through. The arundo down at Menchaca may be an eye sore but that's its natural state. If you go in and urbanize it, you're going to get the water out of here quicker, but you're going to create bigger problems downstream. City Council thanked Dr. Ron Green for his time and great information.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**7. DISCUSS AND ACT ON LEASE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 8**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated at the last Council Meeting, there was a question on Section 5.2, Capital Maintenance and/or repairs in excess of \$4,000 having no adjustment for inflation. Mayor Reinhard brought the concern back to our City Attorney who has advised that once over \$5,000, it becomes a Capital Expenditure and there can be ownership issues especially with the ESD because of the way the Health and Safety Code is written. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we asked our City Attorney to put it at \$4,999 just under that ceiling. As of this afternoon, we have not heard back from Ken Campbell, ESD No.8's attorney. The lease agreement before Council has been amended to read in excess of \$4,999 but does have an error with three extra "0's". We will have that corrected before signing. It was discussed ESD No. 8 would pay the first \$4,999 and the City would pay the excess. Some items would fall under insurance. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated pending ESD No. 8 and Ken Campbell's approval, he would ask for a motion to approve the Lease Agreement at \$4,999. Councilmember Nottingham made the motion to authorize Mayor Reinhard to sign the Lease Agreement if ESD No. 8 and Ken Campbell approve the Lease Agreement, Section 5.2, Capital Maintenance in excess of \$4,999. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nettle and passed unanimously. It was Council's consensus if \$4,999 isn't approved, they would like to bring this item back for discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**5. DISCUSS AND ACT ON PROCLAMATION PLEDGING TO WORK ALONGSIDE THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND THEIR PARTNERS TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE DECLINE OF THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY AND THE SPECIES' NEED FOR HABITAT**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated the Proclamation before Council pledges to work alongside the City of San Antonio and their partners to raise awareness about the decline of the monarch butterfly and the species' need for habitat. Councilmember Nottingham stated she doesn't mind signing this but would like to know what the 24 action items are. Laurie Hawkins stated the Assistant Director of Storm Water with the City of San Antonio has directed her to just notate milkweed on any County Projects so the City of San Antonio receives credit. She stated it's mostly education. It was discussed that you don't have to adopt all 24 action items. The motion to approve the Proclamation and pledge to work alongside the City of San Antonio and their partners to raise awareness about the decline of the monarch butterfly and the species' need for habitat was made by Councilmember Nottingham, seconded by Councilmember Tiner and passed unanimously.

**6. DISCUSS AND ACT ON ORDER OF ELECTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE MAY 7, 2016 JOINT GENERAL ELECTION**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated the Order of Election officially calls the May 7, 2016 General Election for the positions of Mayor, Councilperson Place 2 and Councilperson Place 4. The motion to approve the Order of Election for Municipalities was made by Councilmember Nottingham, seconded by Councilmember Tiner and passed unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**9. UPDATE ON ORDINANCE NO. 216 PROHIBITING THROUGH TRUCK TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREY FOREST**

Chief Bejar stated he's contacted TXDOT and provided them Ordinance No. 216 to take Scenic Loop Road off the heavy truck route. Signs need to be placed in the County giving trucks advance notice to turn around. Bexar County requires you submit a permit to approve placement and wording of any signs on County roads. He just received that permit from them and will complete it tomorrow. We will also place signs on our streets at both ends of the City limits. He's received quotes for the signs and it's going to cost approximately \$400. Shannan Kinsley stated there's money in the budget for the expenditure.

**8. DISCUSS AND ACT ON SELECTION OF A CONTRACTOR TO REPLACE THE ROOF AT SCENIC LOOP PLAYGROUND (SLP) COMMUNITY CLUBHOUSE**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we solicited two bids to replace the roof at Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Clubhouse. Southwest Metal Roofing System quoted \$14,780 with the lumber donated by Jerry Dobbs and Braundera. The warranty is 25 years on material and 20 years on labor. ARTCO who has done work at the Madla Park and for citizens in the City, quoted \$14,930 with the lumber donated or \$16,700 if they are to provide the lumber. The warranty is 20 years on material and 10 years on labor. Both bids were for standing seam roofs. The bids are close and within \$200 apart if the lumber is donated. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated he called Southwest Metal Roofing for a quote because that is all they do, but he's fine with either company. There was discussion that the warranty is better with Southwest Metal Roofing and that's important. The motion to move forward and award the Standing Seam Roof replacement at Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Clubhouse was made by Councilmember Nettle, seconded by Councilmember Tiner and passed unanimously.

**10. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS STOP SIGNS ON SCENIC LOOP ROAD**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated he doesn't see a need for stop signs on Scenic Loop Road since we will soon be prohibiting the truck traffic. He thinks they will cause more headaches than anything and it will take people longer to get out of the City. Councilmember Nettle stated he thinks we should post-poner this item and see if prohibiting the trucks improves the situation. Councilmember Nottingham stated she agrees with Councilmember Nettle. She thinks we've done our due diligence by addressing the through truck traffic. Let's see how it works, if it doesn't work, revisit. Councilmember Tiner stated the traffic has significantly increased on our roads. Councilmember Hoffman stated the through truck traffic addresses the noise and wear/tear of our roads. The automobile traffic is a whole different matter and a lot of people are using Scenic Loop Road as a short cut. He would like to see the stop signs as impediment to keep the traffic down. Councilmember Hoffman stated the petition addressed two issues. It was a significant petition and he thinks we need to honor it. Council answered to the through truck traffic and he thinks we still need to answer to the stop signs. Also consider stop signs don't have to be in forever. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we can't vote on this tonight. We will carry it over to the February Meeting as an action item and let Council determine how to move forward.

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we will go back and revisit Agenda Item No. 1.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF FOUR NON-COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS TO THE**

**SUPERVISORY BOARD OF THE SCENIC LOOP PLAYGROUND (SLP) COMMUNITY PROPERTY AND FACILITIES PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 215**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated this item is being continued from earlier this evening. Resumes were received for consideration by Laurie Hawkins, Susan Darst, Madeline McCloskey, Kyle Cunningham, Irene Scharf, Ed Scharf and Ted Coulter. Councilmember Nottingham stated she would like to take a recess so Council can review all seven candidates' resumes. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated we can take a recess. He stated again, he doesn't want anyone to think this was done in secret or there was any motivation behind it. He'd have no problem with tabling it until Mayor Reinhard gets back. Councilmember Nettle stated he knows all the people. He suggests Council vote on the recommendation submitted by the sub-committee. If the motion fails and doesn't carry, then Council can recess and consider the other candidates. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton asked if there was a motion. The motion to approve the recommendation as submitted by the sub-committee for Board member appointment to the Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Advisory Board was made by Councilmember Nottingham and seconded by Councilmember Tiner. Councilmember Nettle stated he would like to see a representative of the older group on the Board. He thinks with all Irene Scharf's credentials and commitment to SLPC for so long, she would add an older perspective in with some of the newer ones. That would be his basis for not approving the recommendation. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton called for a vote. The motion passed with 3 YES AND 2 OPPOSED by Councilmember Hoffman and Councilmember Nettle.

**2. DISCUSS AND ACT ON APPOINTMENT FOR THE COUNCILPERSON BOARD MEMBERSHIP TO THE SUPERVISORY BOARD ON THE SCENIC LOOP PLAYGROUND (SLP) COMMUNITY PROPERTY AND FACILITIES PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 215**

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated Councilmember's Hoffman and Nottingham have expressed an interest in the Councilmember position on the Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Supervisory Board. Councilmember Nettle stated he's probably not interested in the Council position as he's not sure if he's going to run in the upcoming election. Councilmember Hoffman suggested they present the reasons why they would like to serve on the Board. Councilmember Nottingham asked that he start. Councilmember Hoffman stated with all respect, Councilmember Nottingham has never held an office with the club whereas he's held every office. As President, he laid out the plans for the future of the club and can bring things to the table right from the start. He's the only Councilmember that lives adjacent to the club property and because of that, he's keenly interested in the property. He's given his heart and soul and fought for the preservation of the club. Councilmember Hoffman stated he's keen to be a part of the Board to protect the heritage and culture of the club going forward as we enter this new era of support and not having the liability issues. Councilmember Nottingham stated she's never been an officer of the club but she's been a member of the club. She doesn't think she's missed a dues payment since moving back in 1990. She thinks she has worked well with the majority of the new Board members both in setting up and as she continues with Madla Park. She has the background in organizing Boards and new ventures. Councilmember Nottingham stated in moving forward, she would really like to continue to support the new Board and the community. Ed Scharf stated Lou Hoffman is one of the few people that knows the vicious encroachment issues and is a wealth of information. Don Darst stated he remembers the encroachment issues well when tape went up everywhere and the neighbors were upset. That's not the type of atmosphere we want on the Board, we want to bring everyone together. We don't want to contribute to that kind of animosity among people and is why he recommends Jennifer Nottingham or Don Nettle for the Council position on the Board. Lorna Main stated it sounds like they're suggesting that if people are encroaching on now City property, because you don't want to offend a neighbor, you just let them keep that land. Councilmember Nottingham stated the encroachment issues are definitely something the Board will need to discuss and determine how they are going to deal with it as part of their plan moving forward. Laurie Hawkins stated Jennifer Nottingham understands the process of establishing a natural area, the right tone and appropriate way to communicate. She knows how to start building community rather than destroying what you are trying to build. Because of that, she would like to see the Board move forward with Jennifer Nottingham. However, she will work with any Councilmember selected for the new Board and is excited to be a part of it. Susan Darst stated she has worked with both Councilmember's. Jennifer Nottingham has always been professional and the focus has been to achieve the same common goal. Susan Darst stated she will work with any Councilmember chosen for the position, but in building a dynamic team to achieve these new goals, she can't

say enough about Jennifer Nottingham's support. Marjorie Mautz stated just because Lou Hoffman is outspoken, it shouldn't mean he's disqualified. They're both very qualified. Lou Hoffman has put a lot of time into the club but she knows people seem to think if you're strong willed, it's wrong and we don't vote for you. She disagrees with that. Shawn Main stated it's important to find a person that has different ideas or sometimes may even be opposed to your ideas as it creates diversity. That diversity is necessary. That's important for Council to consider before they introduce another member that is strongly tied to some of the others. A strong leader is needed to take the Board in the right direction. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton stated he can agree with that to a point. You also have to have somebody who can use those strong opinions in the right way and not be divisive. Kyle Cunningham stated she can work with either Councilmember's but it needs to be in a very positive way. Her goal is to see things come together. Lorna Main stated the original idea of ceding the property to the City was from Ed and Irene Scharf. It's ridiculous neither one of them were appointed to the Board. Councilmember Hoffman stated it seems like it would be a conflict of interest during budget time to have the same Councilmember on two Boards. Councilmember Nettle stated in the past, the conflict of interest question came up every year with Jennifer Nottingham being on the Fire Department Board. He stated it seems like she has a lot responsibility over all. Councilmember Hoffman made the motion that he be appointed as the Council position to the Board. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton asked for a second. There was no second and the motion failed. Councilmember Tiner made the motion to appoint Jennifer Nottingham as the Council position on the SLP Community Advisory Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nettle and passed with 4 YES and 1 OPPOSED by Councilmember Hoffman. Councilmember Nettle stated the applicants should be complimented for their interest in the Board. All are very qualified. He encourages them to attend the meetings and participate. They are all Open Meetings.

### 3. DISCUSS AND ACT ON SETTING A DATE FOR THE FIRST SCENIC LOOP PLAYGROUND (SLP) COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Thornton asked the Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Advisory Board what day and time of the week is good for them. Dates were discussed. The Board agreed to set the first meeting for Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Scenic Loop Playground (SLP) Community Clubhouse as the City has Municipal Court that evening. It was noted the meeting will need to be posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

There was no further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Thornton adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:55 p.m.

These minutes were written/recorded by Shawwan Kinley.

These minutes were approved as written/amended on the 22nd day of March, 2016.

Signed:   
Ronald G. Reinhard, Mayor