

City of Horseshoe Bay
HSB City Council Comments
March 18, 2014

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The Horseshoe Bay City Council met on Tuesday, March 18. Mayor Steve Jordan encouraged citizens to keep attending. The Council discussed and took action on the following key matters:

- **First Step Taken in Process to Issue Certificates of Obligation to Fund Street Improvement Project and Water and Wastewater System Improvements.**

After several months of briefing from financial experts, financial review, and discussion concerning options for funding the contractual obligations incurred with the Street Improvement Project and proposed Water and Wastewater System Improvements Project, the Council took the first action to set the funding process in motion. The Council adopted a Resolution directing the publication of notice of the City's intention to issue Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for the purposes of paying for these projects. These public notices shall be printed in the newspaper for two consecutive weeks with the details of the ordinance.

- **Award of Contract for HSB West Street Improvement Plan to Aaron Concrete Contractors, L.P.**

The Council accepted the recommendation of the City's contracting engineering firm, Willis Environmental Engineering, Inc. and awarded the contract for the Horseshoe Bay West and Pecan Creek Subdivision Street Upgrade and Improvement Project to Aaron Concrete Contractors, L.P. This is a change in contractor from Allen Keller who has done the work on the previous Street Improvement Projects. The recommendation and award to Aaron was based on their providing the lowest bid amount and on their quality of work and professionalism provided to numerous other customers,

- **City Receives Unqualified "Clean" Audit Opinion from External Auditors**

The City's external auditor, Keith Neffendorf, with the firm of Neffendorf, Knopp, Doss & Company presented the audited financial statements for the City of HSB for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The City's annual financial statements received an unqualified "clean opinion" from the auditors, and the staff was complimented for their cooperation and complete records. The report indicated a net positive change of governmental activities in the amount of \$235,869.

- **Report on Anticipated Completion of FEMA's Review of HSB Flood Plain Study and Request for Revised Floodplain Maps with Recommendation for Revised Maps.**

Zach Brown with Willis Engineering, who is responsible for the development of the HSB Floodplain Study and Request to FEMA for a Revision of the 2012 Floodplain Maps, reported that the technical review being conducted by FEMA's engineer is very close to completion, and a positive recommendation to our request for a map revision is anticipated. Mr. Brown presented a schedule of the steps that must be completed by the City and FEMA prior to the effective date for any new maps. Mayor Jordan reported on his positive discussions with staff in the offices of Representative Conaway and Senator Cornyn concerning the need for a quick and positive response to our requests.

- Adoption of New City Council Rules of Procedures.

The Council held the second reading and adopted the first City Council Rules of Procedure. The procedures formalize how the Council operates and includes the process for a Councilperson to add an item to the agenda. The possible addition of another section relating to the appointment of citizens to City Committees will be discussed at the April 1 City Council Workshop Meeting.

- Took action to proclaim Horseshoe Bay Cleanup Day on April 22, 2014.

Other agenda items included the following:

1. During the Public Comment Period, Jane Boisvert stated her concerns about the Council's decision to choose expediency instead of honoring the request of many citizens to save the oak tree on Hi Stirrup, and encouraged the Council to return to working together in a spirit of cooperation and unity.
2. Recognized Fire Fighter Jeremy Schwartzer for his ten years of service to the City.
3. Introduced new Fire Fighter Carlos Almaguer.
4. Action taken to contribute \$5000 to The Friends of the Marble Falls Library.
5. Appointed Darlene Bowles as the HSB POA Representative to the Park Advisory Committee.
6. Passed a Resolution to Amend the City's Annexation Plan to bring it into compliance with state law.
7. Passed a resolution to direct the City Prosecutor to file a petition with the Municipal Court for the demolition and /or removal of a substandard structure located at 2202 28th Street.
8. After public hearings, approved the replat of two lots into one at 1020 Red Sails, replat of 4 lots into three in the 1100 Block of Fault Line Drive, and replat of two lots and strip of land between them into one lot in 300 block of Parallel Circle.