MINUTES OF CITY WATER COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
October 24, 2017

Members Present:
Chairman David Heier
Commissioner Andre Bullard
Vice-Chairman Richard Holloway
Commissioner Ray Pitzen
Mayor Larry Thompson, ex-officio

Member Absent:
Commissioner Keven Harshbarger
Commissioner vacant position

City Staff Present:
Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Royce Goddard, Water Department Manager
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. Call to Order
With a quorum of the City Water Commission present, Chairman Heier called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge City Water Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Citizen's Participation –limited to 30 minutes
No one signed up to speak.

3. Business Items
The City Water Commission may discuss, consider and/or take possible action on recommendation to the City Council on the following:

a) Minutes of the September 26, 2017 Water Commission Meeting

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Bullard, seconded by Commissioner Holloway, to amend the minutes by removing the extra comma in b) and period in e) and to approve the minutes of September 26, 2017 Water Commission. The Water Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Request for renewal of lease from Lloyd Loehman 3 acre feet of Edwards Aquifer Water Rights due to expire on December 31, 2017.

i. Review the request.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated the lease agreement with Lloyd Loehman is for 3acre feet of Edward Aquifer Water Rights and is due to expire on December 31, 2017. She stated Mr. Loehman desires to continue leasing his three acre feet of Edwards's water rights for another three years. She

stated the cost is $138.50 per acre foot for three (3) years, which equals to $415.50 annually and $1,246.50 over the full term, which would end December 31, 2020.

ii. Make recommendation to City Council on the renewal.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Holloway, and seconded by Commissioner Pitzen, to recommend to the City Council to approve the request for renewal of lease with Lloyd Loehman for 3 acre feet of Edwards Aquifer Water Rights due to expire on December 31, 2017, for another 3 years. The Water Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Update on the25 acre feet of Edwards Aquifer Water lease from Leon and Evelyn Timmermann.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated the City Council approved the Water Commission recommendation for the water lease with the Timmermanns. She stated however Mr. Timmermann asked that the City pay him now for 12 months but the contract not begin until January 2018, which would allow him to sell water rights to those who exceed their EAA allotted amounts through the end of the year.

The Water Commission discussed the options of leasing with the Timmermanns and if the City sees the need to have the additional water rights then to contact them.

d) Discussion on amending Ordinance 61 Stages 3-5 Restrictions regarding Commercial Use.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated while going through Ordinance 61 it was discovered that Stages 3-5 in certain categories was less restrictive than Stages 1-2.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Holloway, and seconded by Commissioner Bullard, to recommend to the City Council to amend Ordinance 61 Stages 3-5 to include Restaurants and other eating establishments are prohibited from serving groundwater to customers except upon request of the customer. The Water Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

e) Water Manager Monthly Activity Report

i. Water pumping/usage from city wells
ii. Water system infrastructure maintenance, repairs and/or projects
iii. Static levels, drawdown levels and flow rates on the Trinity Well
iv. Water and/or Drought Management

Mayor Thompson stated all City Department Reports are being retooled to provide the information the City Council, the Commissions, and residents want to know and the information staff feels people need to know.

The Water Commission reviewed the report and discussed adding graphs with dates and graphs that show trends. They also discussed adding well maintenance and well equipment life.

Royce Goddard, Water Manager reviewed the monthly water pumping/usage from the city wells and discussed the water system operations (see attached report).

Royce Goddard, Water Manager, reported 45.64 acre feet were pumped from the Edwards Aquifer and 0 acre feet were pumped from the Trinity in September. He stated the average daily usage is 9,284.02 gallons. He also reviewed the Static Levels and reported the City is currently not under any watering restrictions.

f) Set date, time and location for next meeting (November 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.).

The next Water Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers; if necessary.

g) Future Agenda Items.

The Water Commission added a future agenda item on well maintenance, schedule and the cost.

4. Citizen Participation – 3 minute limit per citizen

Kay Bower, 8947 Garden Ridge Dr., encouraged the Water Commission and Water Department to develop a tickler system with alerts for maintenance.

5. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Chair Heier and seconded by Commissioner Pitzen. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

David Heier, Chair

ATTEST:

Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
City Secretary