



Julie Sykora 803 LaClede addressed the council in regards to a couple of articles she had read in the Waco Tribune Herald. She was positive about the city growing, but felt the city should work with the two businesses already here to grow instead of working against them.

## **V. COUNCIL/ CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

Discussion regarding the following:

Council member Youngblood – none

Council member Wilson – liked the new departmental summaries.

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder – none

Council member Swanson III – liked the look of the new website.

Council member Collier – would like to discuss ideas for the young people in the community at the next meeting.

### **A. Chief Bob Harold's Retirement Party (City Manager Pena)**

#### **Comments- Current meeting:**

Mr. Pena addressed the council in regards to Chief Harold's retirement party. He stated the party was scheduled for February 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. He asked Chief Harold to address the council, he concurred.

### **B. Strategic Planning Session**

#### **Comments- Current meeting:**

Mr. Pena addressed the council in regards to planning a strategic session on a Saturday with the directors.

### **C. Public Works Director**

#### **Comments- Current meeting:**

Mr. Pena addressed the council and introduced the new Public Works Director, Scott Coleman.

**Executive Session:** Time at 6:48 p.m.

## **VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. The City Council shall convene into executive session pursuant to §551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, sale or value of real property.

**Re-Opened Regular Session:** Time at 7:12 p.m.

Return to open session.

**VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

All consent items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, and if such a request is made, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

A. Minutes Approval

- 1. Tuesday, January 12, 2010
- 2. December Financials

**VIII. REGULAR AGENDA**

A. Discussion and/ or possible action on appointment of members to Plan and Zoning, Board of Adjustments, Park Board and Building Standards. (Mayor Fields)

**MOTION:** Swanson III, Council member  
**SECONDED:** Collier, Council member  
**AYES:** All  
**NAYES:** None

B. Discussion and/ or possible action on approving Ordinance 2010-003 for assessment and collection of a municipal court building security fee. ( Elizabeth Dieterich) second reading

Finance Director Elizabeth Dieterich addressed the council in regards to the building security fee and how this fund would be used by the court.  
Attorney Charlie Olson read the following ordinance to the council. (Second reading)

**ORDINANCE NO. 2010-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING SECURITY FEE THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF NEW SECTION 11-90 TO BE ADDED TO CHAPTER 11 OF THE MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

**MOTION:** Swanson III, Council member  
**SECONDED:** Wilson, Council member  
**AYES:** Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem –Collier, Council member  
**NAYES:** Youngblood, Council member

**Discussion:** None

**Motion:** Carried.

C. Discussion and/ or possible action on appointing a new Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) representative. ( Mayor Fields)

Mayor Fields stated the city needed a MPO and asked Kevin Wilson if he would accept the position as the new MPO. He agreed to be the new representative.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Swanson, Council member
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>AYES:</b>	All
<b>NAYES:</b>	None

**Discussion:** None

**Motion:** Carried

- D. Discussion and/ or possible action regarding expanding authority of Type A Economic Development Corporation, creation of Type B Economic Development Corporation and / or dissolution of Type A Economic Development Corporation and related sales tax issues.( Council member Wilson)

The Mayor polled the council and they all agreed, to change from a Type A over to a Type B Economic Development Corporation. City Attorney Charlie Olson explained what the changeover would intel and stated it would have to be place on the May ballot, and the citizens would have to vote before the change could take place.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Wilson, Council member
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>AYES:</b>	All
<b>NAYES:</b>	None

**Motion:** Carried.

- E. Discussion and/ or possible action regarding sale of 12.44 acres of land out of the Tomas de la Vega Grant in McLennan County, Texas. ( City Manager)

Mr. Pena address the council in regards to the sale of the 12.44 acres. He stated he only received one bid in the amount of \$812,830 from Bellmead McLennan NH Ltd., and wanted approval from the council to go forward with the sale of the property.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Collier, Council member
<b>AYES:</b>	All
<b>NAYES:</b>	None

**Discussion:** Council member Collier wanted to let the citizens know this particular part of the land does not have any bearing on the land that was left for a park.

**Motion:** Carried

- F. Discussion and/or possible action on approval of Investment Policy. ( Liz Dieterich)

Finance Director Elizabeth Dieterich addressed the council in regards to the Investment Policy.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Collier, Council member
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Wilson, Council member
<b>AYES:</b>	All
<b>NAYES:</b>	None

**Discussion:** None

**Motion:** Carried

G. Discussion and/ or possible action on City Manager’s residency. ( Mr. Pena)

Mr. Pena addressed the council in regards to his contract and the problems he has been faced with trying to find residency inside the city limits of Bellmead.

City Attorney Charlie Olson stated the practice has been to ask the city manager to live within the city limits, however the state statue does not require the manager to live in the city. He stated he has reviewed the city charter and there is nothing written that requires the city manager to live within the city limits. He stated it would be left up to the council how to handle this situation. The Mayor stated she has no objections to him living outside the city and polled the council.

Council member Collier made a motion to allow the city manager to live within a 10 mile radius outside the city limits.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Collier, Council member
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Wilson, Council member
<b>AYES:</b>	All
<b>NAYES:</b>	None

**Discussion:** Council member Swanson III ask local realtor Doreen Plott to give her expertise on what is available in Bellmead, and if a 10 miles radius would be sufficient to find adequate housing.

Doreen Plott addressed the council with many real estate issues she has faced in Bellmead, and stated she feel a 20 mile radius would be better and this would give the city manager more options. Council member Youngblood stated he would like for this arrangement to be temporary, and would like for the city manager to move to the city once adequate housing becomes available.

Council members Wilson and Collier disagreed, stating it would not be fair to require him to move his family here to Waco, and then to Bellmead at a later date, moving his family once is enough.

Council member Collier made a motion to amend his previous motion and change it to a 20 mile radius.

Council member Wilson again seconded the motion.

**Motion:** Carried

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**A. Motion To:** Adjourn

COMMENTS – Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

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Ruth Haines-Fields, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cynthia Ward, City Clerk