

**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2007 — 6:00 P.M.  
209 S. WASHINGTON  
KAUFMAN, TEXAS 75142**

**CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>PAULA BACON</b>
<b>MAYOR PRO-TEM</b>	<b>LONNIE BOUNDS</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>GIL ALTOM JR.</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>FLOYD CHOYCE</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>JEFF COUNCIL</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>WILLIAM FORTNER</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>BARRY RATCLIFFE</b>

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Mayor Bacon called the Meeting to order at 6:22 p.m. Councilmembers present were Mayor Bacon, Mayor Pro-Tem-Bounds, Councilmember Altom, Councilmember Choyce, Councilmember Council, Councilmember Fortner, and Councilmember Ratcliffe. The Mayor declared a quorum present. Also present were City Manager Curtis Snow, City Attorney David Dodd, City Secretary Jo Ann Talbot and Director of Kaufman Economic Development Corporation.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS (5 MINUTES)** Citizens may address the City Council on any subject but must first complete a Request to Speak Form. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes, but no more than five (5) minutes per individual, and are not transferable. Citizen's comments not to exceed a total of 15 minutes.

No Citizens comments were made.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE V.T.C.A. (OPEN MEETINGS LAW), IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN SECTION 551.086 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Councilmember Choyce to go into Executive Session at 6:23 p.m. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried.

1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Under TEX. GOV'T. CODE Sec. 551.086
  - a. To discuss the potential to re-negotiate and enter into a new contract or addendum to an existing contract with Numo Manufacturing, Inc. with respect to financial and/or other incentives.

ANY FINAL ACTION, DECISION, OR VOTE ON A MATTER DELIBERATED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING OR ON INFORMATION RECEIVED IN A CONFERENCE WITH EMPLOYEES WILL ONLY BE TAKEN IN AN OPEN MEETING THAT IS HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH TEX. GOV'T CODE CH. 551. THE CITY COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEX. GOV'T CODE SEC. 551.001, ET SEQ. (TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT) ON ANY ITEM ON ITS OPEN MEETING AGENDA OR TO RECONVENE IN A CONTINUATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING ITEMS NOTED ABOVE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, SECTIONS 551.071-551.086 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

Councilmember Choyce moved and seconded by Councilmember Ratcliffe to go out of Executive Session at 6:48 p.m. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried.

### **END OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### 13. CONSIDER ANY OFFICIAL ACTION ON THE EXECUTIVE SESSION CLOSED MEETING ITEMS:

1. Economic Development – Under TEX. GOV'T CODE Sec. 551-086.

To discuss and consider the potential to re-negotiate and enter into a new contract or addendum to an existing contract with Numo Manufacturing, Inc. with respect to financial and/or other incentives.

No action taken by the City Council.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER.**

No announcements were made from the City Manager.

### **REQUEST/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds reported that a dumpster on the County Courthouse Square was full and needed to be removed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds reported of brush that needed to be pickup on west 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds inquired about when two sub-standard houses were going to be removed. City Manager Curtis Snow reported that the City was removing the two houses on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. One house is on west 7<sup>th</sup> Street and on one house on east 1<sup>st</sup> North Street.

Mayor Bacon inquired about Ms. Eldridge's complaint regarding the beer trucks

on Coleman Street. City Manager Curtis Snow informed Council that the Chief of Police had contacted the beer distributors in writing to cease truck traffic on Coleman Street. The City is also asking property owners to focus on cleaning up debris in the area.

Mayor Bacon mentioned that a sewer stoppage in the 1300 Block of south Houston Street occurred last week. She expressed her concerns of sewer lines collapsing as it did several years ago in the 1000 Block of south Houston Street.

Councilmember Altom inquired about City prisoners being transferred to the Kaufman County Jail instead of using the City's holding facilities. Councilmember Fortner was in favor of City prisoners being transferred to the Kaufman County Jail.

City Manager Curtis Snow informed the Council that one of their goals were to close down the City Jail and work with the County to house city prisoners. The Kaufman Jail (holding facility) could become a liability to the City in its current condition. Police Chief Smith and Sheriff Burns worked out a system for the County to house city prisoners at no cost to the City. Another goal is to move the City's dispatchers to the County. The City will be meeting with North Texas Council of Government (NTCOG) in regards to the City's 911 Emergency Communications. There are issues to be worked through as well as nighttime public works calls in relation to city communications.

Councilmember Altom expressed his concerns about the County releasing City prisoners for time served. Normally, the Municipal Judge would set up a pay out plan for City prisoners to collect the fines. Now that they are going to the County, the City may see a loss in revenue. City Manager Curtis Snow reported that he would address this issue with the Municipal Judge and the County.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, Councilmember Council moved and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bounds to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Mayor Bacon called for a vote with all voting AYE, the motion carried.

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**PAULA BACON  
MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**JO ANN TALBOT  
CITY SECRETARY**