

THE STATE OF TEXAS           §  
COUNTY OF ANDERSON       §  
CITY OF PALESTINE           §

The Real Estate Committee convened in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 12:00 p.m., in the City Hall Conference Room, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas, with the following people present: Chair Brenda Walker; Committee Members Phil Jenkins, Larry Weber, and Ann Connor.

Others present: City Manager Michael Hornes, Development Services Director Jeffrey Lyons, and City Secretary Teresa Herrera.

Committee Member Andrew Gregory was absent.

**CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING**

With a quorum present, Chair Brenda Walker called the Regular Meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Committee Member Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Weber, to approve minutes of September 7, 2017, as presented. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

Discussion and possible action on timeline for action items regarding the following:

a. Palastine Civic Center

City Manager Hornes provided a copy of the Civic Center bid document. Council approved the bid document at its October 26th meeting. Seal bids will be accepted until January 22, 2017, and all bids will be reviewed by Council. Minimum bid of \$250,000.

b. Palastine Mall

City Manager Hornes informed that pad sites sale should close shortly (\$800,000). Committee discussed options for the mall. Committee Member Weber made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Jenkins, to recommend that Council consider selling the mall as a whole, with stipulations that the entire mall be demolished and rebuild to area and present options for the relocation of the Public Library. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

c. City owned residential lots

City Manager Hornes explained that it would be best to hire a real estate agent to handle all real estate services for the City. The Committee discussed selling the lots at very low prices and waiving some fees and lower water and sewer tap fees, in order to sale the lots or to reach out to the adjacent landowners to offer them the lots.

Items for next meeting.

Discussion items for next agenda: 1) Habitat for Humanity; 2) Substandard homes; 3) Greens Parks; and 4) Cemetery lots; and the Civic Center, Palastine Mall, and City owned residential lots. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at noon.

**ADJOURN**

With no other business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2017.

  
Brenda Walker, Chair

ATTEST:

  
Teresa Herrera, City Secretary