

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
HELOTES CITY COUNCIL

The City of Helotes City Council met for a regular meeting on Thursday, January 08, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 12951 Bandera Road, Helotes, Texas. This was an open meeting, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas.

Council

Present: Thomas A. Schoolcraft, Mayor  
Cynthia Massey, Mayor Pro Tem  
Edward Villanueva  
Alex Blue  
Bert Buys  
Paul Friedrichs

Staff Present: Rick Schroder, City Administrator  
Grace Tamez, City Secretary

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor Schoolcraft called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Member Massey led the invocation. Mayor Schoolcraft led the pledge to the U.S. flag and the Texas flag.

OPEN SESSION:

**2. Citizens to be Heard.**

Sarah Davis spoke regarding a sewer line encroachment in San Antonio Ranch.

CONSENT AGENDA: All items marked with an asterisk (\*\*) on the consent agenda were voted on at the beginning of the meeting. Motion was made by Council Member Friedrichs, second by Council Member Villanueva, to approve items 3, 4, 5, and 6 on the consent agenda. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

- 3.\*\* Approval of the minutes of the meeting dated December 11, 2014. (Staff)**
- 4.\*\* Approval of the City of Helotes Revenue and Expense Report dated January 2, 2015. (Staff)**
- 5.\*\* Approval of a Regional Mutual Aid Agreement by and between the City of Helotes and other local government entities and local organizations located wholly or partially within the geographic areas covered by the Alamo Area Council of Governments for regional mutual aid during emergencies. (Staff)**
- 6.\*\* Approval of Resolution No. 317 of the City Council of the City of Helotes, Texas requesting that the Bexar County Commissioners Court and associated Staff review and approve, in as similar a format as possible, a proposed Interlocal Agreement for the provision of public works equipment to the City of Helotes Public Works Department for use on municipal public works projects and during emergencies; authorizing the City Administrator to take all necessary steps to implement the**

**provisions of this Resolution; incorporating recitals; providing for severability; and adopting an effective date. (Staff)**

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

7. **Discussion of and action on Ordinance No. 553 of the City Council of the City of Helotes, Texas amending Chapter 94 *Vegetation*, Article I *Commercial and Residential Tree Preservation*, Section 94-2 *Definitions* of the Municipal Code of Ordinances by providing for protections for Ashe Juniper and Hackberry trees; authorizing the City Administrator to take all necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Ordinance; incorporating recitals; providing a penalty; providing for severability; repealing any other Code provisions, ordinances, or parts of ordinances, and other provisions in conflict herewith; and setting an effective date. (Staff)**

Motion was made by Council Member Buys, second by Council Member Villanueva, to discuss and act on this item as written.

Approval on this ordinance adds large caliper Ashe Juniper and Hackberry trees to the protected trees category. Rene Piña, City Arborist, recommended approval of this amendment.

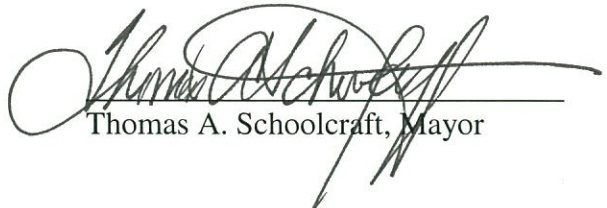
Motion to approve carried; 4 Ayes, 1 Nay – Mayor Pro Tem Massey, 0 Abstain.

***Adjourn.***

With no more business to come before Council, Mayor Schoolcraft adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Grace Tamez, City Secretary

  
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Thomas A. Schoolcraft, Mayor

