

**JOHN F. COOK**  
MAYOR



**CITY COUNCIL**  
ANN MORGAN LILLY, DISTRICT 1  
SUSANNAH M. BYRD, DISTRICT 2  
EMMA ACOSTA, DISTRICT 3  
MELINA CASTRO, DISTRICT 4  
RACHEL QUINTANA, DISTRICT 5  
EDDIE HOLGUIN JR., DISTRICT 6  
STEVE ORTEGA, DISTRICT 7  
BETO O'ROURKE, DISTRICT 8

**JOYCE WILSON**  
CITY MANAGER

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JANUARY 21, 2009**

The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. Mayor John Cook present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susie Byrd, Emma Acosta, Melina Castro, Rachel Quintana, Eddie Holguin, Jr., and Beto O'Rourke. Late arrivals: Ann Morgan Lilly at 9:25 a.m. and Steve Ortega at 11:09 a.m. Early departure: Melina Castro at 11:55 a.m.

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**ITEMS TAKEN TOGETHER:**

1. Staff presentation by the City's Development Services Department and Halff Associates Inc. on a "Report of Annexation Policy and a 10-Year Annexation Plan" conducted at the request of the City of El Paso and the report findings and recommendations.
2. Comments from the Planning & Development Legislative Review Committee (LRC) as made at their December 4, 2008, meeting and presented by Representative Ann Morgan Lilly as Chair of the LRC.
3. Discussion and action on the "Report of Annexation Policy and a 10-Year Annexation Plan" including policy direction on the report findings and recommendations, timelines, and next steps to be initiated.

Mr. Mathew McElroy, Deputy Director of Planning, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mr. Jim Carrillo, Vice President, Director of Planning, for Halff Associates, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mr. Nick Costanzo, Assistant General Manager for El Paso Water Utilities, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mayor Cook and the City Representatives questioned the presenters and City staff on the Annexation Policy and 10-Year Annexation Plan.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. John Neal, Office of the City Manager
2. Ms. Pat Aduato, Deputy City Manager of Development and Infrastructure Services
3. Ms. Lupe Cuellar, Assistant City Attorney, gave legal advice.

Mr. Walter Miller, Mayor of Horizon City, commented.

**1<sup>ST</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Lilly, and unanimously carried to **DIRECT** staff to come back within 60 to 90 days an policy for processing annexation applications that incorporates the development actions to the full costs, the land use and design components, the incorporation of the map of the areas the City would like to see annexed that mirrors what the Consultant has done, and various other issues relative to the parameters of the growth and development of the Master Plan.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

**2<sup>ND</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Ortega, and unanimously carried to accept 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, a portion of 6, 8, 8B, 12, and 12B into the City's Annexation Policy.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

**3<sup>RD</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Quintana, and unanimously carried to include 6A in Tier 1.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

**4<sup>TH</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Lilly, and unanimously carried to include the green area of the Westside in Tier 1.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

**5<sup>TH</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Lilly, and unanimously carried to include the blue areas (a portion of 6, 7, 7B, 8, 10, and a portion of 10B) on the Eastside in Tier 2, not including the Sparks subdivision (7B).

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

**6<sup>TH</sup> AND FINAL MOTION**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, seconded by Representative Lilly, and unanimously carried to **ADOPT** a policy for only voluntary annexation.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

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Motion made by Representative Acosta, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Byrd, and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 1:21 a.m.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Castro

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk