

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on May 10, 2018, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Brandt Rydell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Chris Gonzales
Mayor Pro Tem Christine Lopez

Jeff Jenkins, Assistant City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Assistant Fire Chief Robert Copeland led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATION

1. NATIONAL POLICE WEEK MAY 13-19, 2018.
Mayor Rydell presented a proclamation that was received by members of the Taylor Police Department in recognition of May 13-19 as National Police Week.
2. NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK, MAY 20-26, 2018.
Mr. Jim Gray, Public Works Director, made a request to delay the presentation until he could have more of his staff available.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mayor Rydell invited citizens who had signed up in advance to come forward during this time. Mr. Mitch Drummond, 211 Hosack, Mr. Ian Davis, 819 Talbot and owner of the Texas Beer Company, and Mr. J. D. Gin, 1417 Howard, spoke in support of amending the current alcohol ordinance and the creation of an entertainment district that would permit an open container clause for this specific area. Mr. Gin also submitted a petition with signatures of individuals supporting of this action.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2018-08 REGARDING REZONING OF 1207 FRINK STREET FROM THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1) DISTRICT TO THE DUPLEX (D) DISTRICT.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-08

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 0.346 ACRE PORTION OF E S HARRIS ADDITION, LOT 7 AND LOT 6(PT), LOCATED AT 1207 FRINK STREET IN TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE FROM SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-1) TO DUPLEX SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (D); AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

4. APPROVE MINUTES FOR APRIL 26, 2018.

Council Member Gonzales moved to approve Consent Agenda as presented and Council Member Garcia seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

ORDINANCES

5. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2018-04 TO ABANDON A PORTION OF A 15' DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT, CREATED VIA THE HILLS OF MUSTANG CREEK SUBDIVISION PLAT, DOCUMENT 2001033980 THAT LIES WITHIN 1804 TANNER LOOP.

Mr. Michael Elabarger, City Planner, presented a request to consider abandoning a utility easement in the Mustang Creek Subdivision. Hearing no comments or further discussion Mayor Rydell asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the Ordinance as presented.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, ABANDONING A DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT A; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

6. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM THE TASK FORCE ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

Mr. Elabarger introduced Ms. Nancci Burgess who presented an overview of the Task Force activities and a draft ordinance for council review. Council agreed to have staff review the ordinance and to discuss next steps to be taken.

Without further discussion or comment Mayor Pro Tem Lopez moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

7. RECEIVE REPORT ON NEIGHBORHOOD AND CITY WIDE CLEAN UP RESULTS.

Ms. Lacey Hannes, Code Enforcement, provided an update on the Spring Neighborhood and City Wide Clean Up event that took place on April 21st. The neighborhood area focus was bound by Porter and Washburn and 9th and 12th streets.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

(This next item was taken out of order and Council adjourned to a closed Executive Session at 6:54 pm. Council Member Gonzales left the meeting at 6:55 p.m.).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. Executive Session. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code in order to meet with its City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas authorize and allow such a closed meeting and which Rules conflict with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
- a) Proposed wholesale water service agreement with the City of Thrall
 - b) Proposed Service Area exchange agreement with the City of Thrall
 - c) Cause No. 12-0200-C26 in the Williamson County District Court (City of Thrall vs Noack WSC).

10. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Council members returned from closed session at 7:07 p.m. and Mayor Rydell stated that no action was taken during the closed session.

(The Mayor continued with the regular agenda)

8. REVIEW AND DISCUSS PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS (CIP). Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director, presented an overview of possible projects to consider during the budget process. Council members cited additional items of concern needing to be addressed and included: downtown parking, gateway signs, pavement report format, sidewalk removal plan, and a lighting study. Council was informed this discussion will continue at an upcoming meeting and during the budget workshops.

Council Member Ariola moved to accept the information as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Lopez seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk