

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on March 24, 2016, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Jesse Ancira declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Gonzales
Council Member Scott Green
Council Member Don Hill
Council Member Brandt Rydell

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Chief Pat Ekiss led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

1. PROCLAMATION: APRIL IS FAIR HOUSING MONTH.
Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales presented the proclamation and it was accepted by Ms. Ashley Lumpkin, Director of Planning and Development Services.
2. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IS APRIL 10-16, 2016.
Council Member Hill presented this proclamation in honor of all police dispatch workers. Chief Fluck and his officers were on hand to honor the workers accepting the proclamation.
3. RECOGNITION: KEEP TAYLOR BEAUTIFUL PRESIDENT'S AWARD.
Council Member Rydell introduced Ms. Amy Landis with Keep Taylor Beautiful who presented this award to Mr. Mike DeVito, Recreation Superintendent for the city.
4. RECOGNITION: TREE CITY U.S.A.
Council Member Green presented this award to Mr. DeVito and noted this is the fourth consecutive year the city has received this recognition.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Ms. Barbara Aviles Torsberg, 1700 Mallard Lane, a member of the Taylor Blackland Quilt Guild, came forward to remind council members to keep the non-profits in mind as the future of the old 7th Street facility is being determined.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. RECEIVE ANNUAL TIF REPORT FOR 2015.
6. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR FEBRUARY 2016.
7. APPROVE MINUTES FOR MARCH 10, 2016.
8. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING A BOARD ORIENTATION ON MARCH 30, 2016.

Council Member Hill moved to approve items 5, 6, and 7 as presented and asked to review item 8 on its own. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

8. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING A BOARD ORIENTATION ON MARCH 30, 2016.

Ms. Brock gave a brief overview of the planned orientation for all board members. The presenter will be Mr. Alan Bojorquez, an Austin municipal law attorney, who will discuss how to conduct a productive board meeting, how to interact with other board members and the public, and how to assist the council in meeting their goals as outlined in the strategic planning process. The session is scheduled for Wednesday, March 30th and begins at 6 pm.

9. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO ORDINANCE 2016-05 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS; LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX IN SUPPORT OF THE BONDS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR SELLING AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF THE BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE BONDS.

Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director, introduced Ms. Jennifer Douglas, Specialized Public Finance, Inc., who provided details on the refunding process. The refunding could provide up to \$1,011,618 in savings: \$203,999 from the General Fund portion and \$807,619 for the Utility Fund over the life of the issuance.

Council Member Green moved to approve Ordinance 2016-05 and all other actions as presented (directing the City Manager and/or the Mayor to act as pricing agent) and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

10. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TAKING ACTION REGARDING EMERGENCY WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS ON 12TH STREET.

Mr. Bernal provided information on the wastewater line break and the actions taken by city staff to restore the line back to service while maintaining a safe work environment for staff and citizens. The City Engineer has provided a long-term solution that involves the permanent replacement of the wastewater mains along 12th Street from the east side of Main St to Talbot St. which is approximately 500 feet of new wastewater main. The estimated budget for the total project is approximately \$390,000. City staff has determined that the project qualifies for emergency bidding regulations.

Council Member Hill moved to authorize staff to move forward and take emergency action to resolve the situation with the wastewater lines discussed. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER AWARDED BID FOR POOL MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

Mr. Mike DeVito, Recreation Superintendent, presented a request to award the bid for management services for both city pools. Only two bids were received and staff recommended a contract with the Greater Williamson County YMCA with a base bid of \$90,113.59 for 5 years.

Council Member Rydell moved to award the bid for pool management services to the YMCA as presented for \$90,113.59 per year for a five-year period. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R16-13 REGARDING CAPCOG CLEAN AIR COALITION.

Ms. Ashley Lumpkin, Director of Planning and Development Services, presented a request to join the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition as a supporting member. Ms. Lumpkin stated that membership provides additional access to grant funding opportunities from both the CAC and state and federal grants as well.

Council Member Rydell moved to approve Resolution R16-13 as presented and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. RECEIVE UPDATE ON CODE ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE.

Ms. Lumpkin provided an update on activities taken to educate citizens and encourage community involvement to achieve compliance.

Council Member Green moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

14. RECEIVE UPDATE ON 7TH STREET CAMPUS.

Mr. Turner presented an update on recent actions between the TISD and Mr. Roy Alston of SDP. He said the TISD is expecting a contract to be submitted in the next week and that the city continues to stress the importance of retaining all non-profits in the facility and provide them a place to function.

Council Member Green moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

15. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Mayor Ancira asked council members for any items in need of further discussion. He requested an update on the animal shelter donations; Council Member Green asked for an update on any progress on historical preservation ordinances.

(Mayor Ancira and council members retired to closed session at 7:05 pm.)

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Local Government Code, and the authority contained in Section 551.072 to discuss or deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

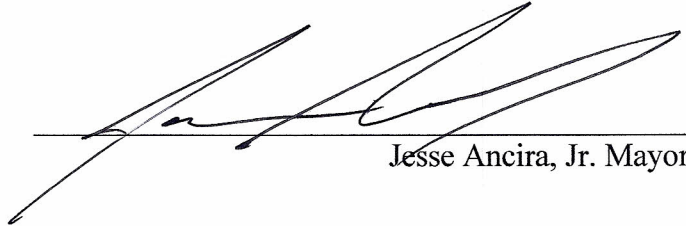
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17. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Ancira resumed the open meeting at 7:16 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken during any Executive Session.

ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Ancira declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



Jesse Ancira, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Brock, City Clerk