The City Council of the City of Taylor met on February 27, 2014, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Noting the absence of Mayor Pro Tem due to illness, Mayor Jesse Ancira, Jr. declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Scott Green	Jeff Straub, Interim City Manager
Council Member Donald Hill	Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Council Member Brandt Rydell	Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION
Mr. Bob vanTil led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION
No citizens came forward during this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2014.
2. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR JANUARY, 2014.
   Mayor Ancira noted that there were corrections made to the minutes originally placed in the packet and that council had the final version before them for consideration. Council Member Hill moved to approve them with corrections as presented and Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

3. RECEIVE COMMENT FROM CHIEF SCOTT KERWOOD, HUTTO FIRE RESCUE.
   Chief Kerwood addressed the Council regarding an incident he referred to as the "Halloween Flood" that had occurred in Hutto on October 31st. He explained that his unit lost a vehicle in the flood waters and that he was grateful for assistance from the Taylor Fire Department by loaning equipment so they could continue to provide services to their citizens.

PUBLIC HEARING

4. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2014-02 TO REZONE PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF WASHBURN AND EAST 1ST STREETS FROM B-1 LOCAL BUSINESS TO M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.
   Bob vanTil, Director of Planning and Development, presented a request to continue the public hearing from February 13th and to consider introducing an ordinance regarding a request to rezone property located at the corner of Washburn and East 1st Streets. Mayor Ancira reopened the Public Hearing and Mr. Josh Richards' son was present to represent him as the property owner. He explained that his father was interested in selling the property and the request to rezone the property was in an effort to attract more buyers who may have an interest in adding some type of development in the future. Hearing no other

comments, Mayor Ancira closed the hearing and asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-02

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM B-1 TO M-1 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT EAST FIRST STREET AND WASHBURN STREET; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

5. CONSIDER APPROVING ORDINANCE 2014-01 TO REZONE PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ELLIOTT AND EAST 1ST STREETS FROM B-1 LOCAL BUSINESS TO M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.
Mr. vanTil presented a request to approve this ordinance which was introduced at the February 13th council meeting. Council Member Rydell stated that the proposed rezoning is not consistent with the Future Land Use Map and that perhaps a Specific Use Permit might be best in this situation rather than a total rezoning of the property. Mr. Bo Brasfield spoke on behalf of the owner stating that the request to rezone to Light Industrial was the best use of the property and noted that requiring a SUP could possibly prevent or delay the sale of the property and require the new owner to come back to Council for further approval.

Mayor Ancira suggested a possible workshop with the Planning and Zoning Commission at some point to discuss future zoning in the Downtown and Historic districts.

Council Member Hill moved to approve the ordinance and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE; one NO (Rydell). Motion passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-01

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM B-1 TO M-1 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT EAST FIRST STREET AND ELLIOTT STREET; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

6. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.
Mr. Straub reminded council that there was one remaining appointment to be made and it was Council Member Green's option to reappoint Mr. Joseph Meller or choose a new member to replace Mr. Meller. Council Member Green read a statement which included an expression of appreciation and an apology to Mr. Meller regarding previous comments

made at an earlier meeting. Noting the recent resignation of Mr. Meller, Council Member Green appointed David Morris to fill this position.

7. <u>CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2014-04 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2013-01 REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.</u>
Mr. Straub requested Council consider introducing an ordinance to amend the existing ordinance regarding how appointments are made to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Hearing no comments, Mayor Ancira asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the Ordinance as presented.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2013-01 ESTABLISHING THE PURPOSE, COMPOSITION AND TERM OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD BY DELETING A PROVISION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

8. <u>CONSIDER SETTING GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE STREET MAINTENANCE AND RECONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.</u>
Mr. Straub stated that the Street Committee members have all been appointed and that the next step is to establish a list of possible goals for the committee that includes: recommending potential funding mechanisms; developing a 10 year plan for street reconstruction; assisting in educating the public; and gathering citizen opinions through surveys. Council Member Hill asked to add a method of evaluation and he also wants the committee to be clear on its roll and that they abide by the Open Meetings rules. Council Member Green asked for legal clarification on the street maintenance fee from Mr. Hejl who stated that there are a number of cities that have created a street utility both with and without a charter provision.

Council Member Rydell reminded council and staff of a previous list he had provided in 2012 that included "working with city staff to develop comprehensive strategies in financing (e.g., street maintenance utility fee, use of sales tax for street maintenance, bond initiatives, etc.), contracting (including possible establishment of in-house street crew), and design (including consideration of embracing a Complete Street policy); assisting in identifying/prioritizing/budgeting street improvements based on the Street Inventory; identifying opportunities in which the Taylor Economic Development Corporation might be able to assist with needed infrastructure improvements associated with street redevelopment; holding public engagement opportunities for citizen feedback regarding streets; taking a more holistic approach to transportation infrastructure—including consideration of pedestrians and bicyclists. I believe some efficiencies could be realized by incorporating smart design elements as we go. "

No other comments were made and staff was directed to set a date for the first meeting of this committee.

9. CONSIDER SECURING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR FUTURE MDUS PROJECTS.
   Danny Thomas, Director of Public Works, presented a request to award a contract to Halff and Associates to provide engineering services for future projects to be funded by the Municipal Drainage Utility System. Council Member Rydell moved to direct staff to select Halff and Associates to begin negotiations on a price and scope of proposed projects to be funded by the MDUS. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

10. RECEIVE ANNUAL RACIAL PROFILING REPORT.
   Chief Fluck presented the annual Racial Profiling Report for 2013. He noted that there were no complaints received of racial profiling and that after a review and analysis of traffic stops, cases and searches there is no indication that racial profiling has occurred. Council Member Hill made a request to add the word "American" after the term "African" listed as a race category. Chief Fluck noted that the terms used in the report are those provided by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

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

11. CONSIDER ESTABLISHING AN APPROVED WASTEWATER PRETREATMENT PROGRAM AS REQUIRED BY BOTH FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
   Mr. Thomas presented a request to create an Industrial Wastewater Pre Treatment Program to bring the city into compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The request includes a professional services agreement with the Hejl Lee and Associates engineering firm to assist in developing program. Council Member Hill moved to authorize the city manager to enter into an agreement with Hejl Lee and Associates for an amount not to exceed $55,950 and to authorize the creation of the position of a Pre Treatment Program Coordinator/Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO PRECISION CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR $9,050 UNDER THE AMY YOUNG BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM CONTRACT NO 1002020 WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.
Mr. vanTil presented a request to award a contract to Precision Construction to perform landscaping and specific remodeling tasks to a home under the Amy Young Barrier Removal Program contract. Mr. Robb Stevenson, the program administrator, was present to respond to questions if needed. Mayor Ancira stated that with this contract he feels strongly that the city has completed its obligations to this particular individual and reiterated that this project is being completed with no city funds. Council Member Rydell moved to award the contract to Precision Construction for $9,050 and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT.
Mr. vanTil presented an informational report on the Code Enforcement Department. Council Member Rydell asked for an update on 2nd Street Corridor efforts and Mayor Ancira asked if there were any efforts to recruit volunteers in a city cleanup program. Council Member Green moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

14. CONSIDER CHANGING COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR MARCH, 2014.
Due to the timing of the school district Spring Break, several council members and the city attorney will not be available to meet on March 13th. Council Member Green reminded Council members that this discussion had come up previously and the general consensus was to make every effort to keep the regular meeting dates as scheduled. Council Member Hill moved to change the regular March 13th council meeting to March 20th. Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE; one vote NO (Green). Motion passed.

15. DISCUSS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.
Mayor Ancira asked Council for additional items to be considered at future meetings. Council Member Rydell asked for a date to be set for a joint meeting with the 7th Street Task Force; an update on the 2nd Street Corridor plan; and a move to develop architectural guidelines for the downtown and historic districts. Council Member Hill would like to see staff give boards more direction and explain their roll to them; perhaps invite the chairs and board members to a type of orientation meeting. Council Member Green would like to see a marketing plan for Main Street in addition to some type of recognition for Bill Pickett he would also like to begin to consider naming a street after Governor Dan Moody.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Ancira adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock

Susan Brock, City Clerk