

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on February 23, 2012, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Hill 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 Jesse Ancira

Council Member John McDonald

Council Member Chris Osborn (arrived at 6:05 pm)

City Manager, Jim Dunaway

Assistant City Manager, Jeff Straub

City Attorney, Ted Hejl

City Clerk, Susan Brock

INVOCATION

Pastor Robert Curtis led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Pastor Curtis used this opportunity to introduce himself to the community as a new pastor for the Whole Truth Church of God ministry.

(Council Member Osborn joined the meeting at 6:05 P. M.)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2012.
2. CONSIDER APPROVING 380 AGREEMENT WITH MCCOY'S REGARDING TARGETED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS.
3. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R12-06 REGARDING TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURES FROM MAIN STREET ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS IN 2012.
4. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD TO SELL WINE AND BEER AND TO ALLOW CONSUMPTION THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL AREA FOR THE ZEST FEST 2012.
5. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR JANUARY, 2012.

Council Member McDonald moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

6. DISCUSS MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM (MDUS) DRAINAGE PROJECTS.

Mr. Straub and Mr. Casey Sledge, consulting city engineer, presented a review of drainage projects and funds available from the MDUS revenue. Council discussed the possibility of issuing debt as well as increasing the rate from \$1 to \$2 to provide additional funds to address these projects and particularly the Holly Springs drainage issue. Staff was instructed to bring back the issue of a rate increase for further consideration at the next meeting in the form of an Ordinance.

7. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R12-05 AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE AMY YOUNG BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

Mr. Bob vanTil, Director of Planning and Development presented a request to consider an application for funds to assist homeowners in addressing accessibility issues. Ms. Judy Langford will be submitting the application on behalf of the city and stated that this grant does not require any additional matching funds from the city.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve Resolution R12-05 as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

8. CONSIDER REVISED CONTRACT FOR SALE OF WHOLESALE WATER TO THE NOACK WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION.

Mr. Dunaway reported that this item was not complete and will be brought back for council consideration at a later date.

9. CONSIDER ABOARD APPOINTMENT TO MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD TO FILL VACANCY.

Ms. Deby Lannen, Main Street Director, presented a request to fill a vacancy on the Board with one of the applicants who had been previously considered for an appointment in January. Of the three remaining applications on file the Board had recommended Ms. Finch to be appointed at the next available vacancy. Council stressed the need to continue to seek additional applicants to increase the diversity for all boards.

Council Member McDonald moved to appoint Kelly Finch to fill the vacancy as presented and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

10. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R12-09 AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE HOME PROGRAM CONTRACT SYSTEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.

Mr. vanTil presented a request to consider participate in the HOME contract system that will allow the city to assist in providing another five additional houses through this method. While this program does require matching funds the city portion is generally met through demolition costs.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to approve Resolution R12-09 as presented and Council Member Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R12-07 REGARDING AN APPLICATION TO WILLIAMSON COUNTY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING.

Mr. vanTil presented a request for council to consider an application for funding from the Williamson County CDBG program. Preliminary plans are to request funding for street rehabilitation in an area to still be determined. Ms. Langford provided an

overview of the program and qualifications for potential applicants.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve Resolution R12-07 with the focus on Burkett and Jones Streets and possibly adding 4th Street if funds are available. Council Member McDonald seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER RESOLUTION R12-08 CREATING A COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PLAN FOR HAMILTON VALLEY MANAGEMENT PROJECT.

Mr. vanTil presented a request from Hamilton Valley Management to create a Community Revitalization Plan for the two properties they are planning to rehabilitate. The plan will provide an extra point incentive towards their grant application to the state for funding of the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to approve Resolution R12-08 as presented and Council Member Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. CONSIDER SELECTING TYPE FO CONSTRUCTION DELIVERY METHOD FOR COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER.

Mr. Sledge presented an overview of the various delivery methods for the construction of the community recreation center. Details were provided at a previous meeting and staff provided a recommendation based on past experience and best suited method for this project.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to select the Construction Manager Agent method as presented and Council Member McDonald seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. The Taylor City Council 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.

- Legal issues associated with creating a street maintenance utility.

Mayor Hill and council members retired to closed session at 7:35 pm.

15. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Hill resumed the open meeting at 8:07 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during Executive Session. Council Member Osborn moved to amend the agenda for the March 29th meeting to include discussions on amending the city charter and to continue the discussion on funding a street maintenance program.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Hill adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

Don Hill, Mayor

Susan Brock, City Clerk