

The City Council of the City of Taylor met in a Special Workshop on January 29, 2018, at the Taylor Public Library, 801 Vance St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Brandt Rydell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following present:

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

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Susan Brock, City Clerk

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mayor Rydell invited those who signed up in advance and any others to come forward during this time. Speakers included Tammy Keys, Jeff Keys, Irene Michna, David Paul, Mary Jane Hammack, Herbert Brinkmeyer, Mark Nibbelink, Mitch Drummond, Ed Hile, Frances Sorrow, Judy Blundell, Gary Gola, and Cliff Olle.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

1. RECEIVE INFORMATION AND DISCUSS HERITAGE SQUARE PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND DESIGN ELEMENTS.

Ms. Jennifer Black, Sledge Engineering, presented an overview of the project including a timeline of previous meetings held on the park design. Informational boards were placed around the room to allow attendees an opportunity to view the project, costs, specific elements, and options. Elements required as part of the grant application include the adjacent skatepark, an amphitheater, a recirculating splashpad, shade structures, benches and picnic facilities made with recycled components, native landscaping, signage, solar lighting, trail improvements, and fitness equipment.

She noted that particular attention was paid to include an alternate bid which would relocate the existing white columns from the bandstand to a garden area near 5th Street. Several of the speakers emphasized their request to keep the bandstand in its current location.

Funding sources were verified and include grant monies, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) funds, and Certificates of Obligation issued by the City.

Each council member had an opportunity to express their opinion and thoughts on the project. Council Member Ariola moved to receive the report as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Lopez seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

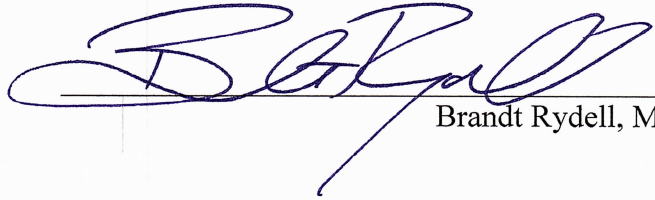
2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING A GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE PROPOSAL TO THE HERITAGE SQUARE PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Turner provided council members with a number of alternatives to consider prior to presented a request to approve a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,419,856. If approved at this meeting, he pointed out that some material considerations can still be modified as well as the size of some of the elements in an effort to reduce the total costs of the project.

Council Member Ariola moved to approve a Guaranteed Maximum Price proposal not to exceed \$3,419,856 as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Lopez seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

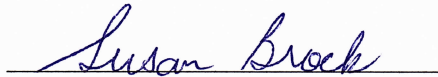
ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

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Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susan Brock, City Clerk