

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
January 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Rydell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Gerald Anderson
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Mayor Brandt Rydell

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Dianna McLean, City Clerk

Absent: Council Member Robert Garcia

INVOCATION / MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Shannon Wedtke, 804 Howard St. – concerned about the increase of crime and is feeling unsafe in her community. Asked Council for additional streetlights on 8th Street and more police patrol.

David Legere, 314 3rd St. – gave Council a presentation on local vacation rental facilities and requested Council review the current hotel motel ordinance and consider offering a 1% savings to the proprietors from their remittance to the city as the State does.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve minutes from the January 13, 2021 regular Council meeting and the January 6, 2022 special called Council meeting.
2. Consider Resolution R22-06 calling an election on May 7, 2022 to elect one Council Member from District 1 and one Council Member from District 4.
3. Consider Ordinance No. 2022-02, revising Ordinance 96-29, pertaining to the use, operation, and conduct of the Taylor Municipal Airport.
4. Consider Ordinance 2022-05, amending the FY2022 Budget.
5. Consideration of proposal for HDR Engineering for the North Pump Station Water System Improvements.
6. Consideration of proposal for HDR Engineering for FM 973/CR 401 Water and Wastewater Improvements - Construction Services.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried 4 to 0.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

7. Consider approving a contract with Citygate Associates, LLC to conduct a fire services master plan.

Daniel Baum, Fire Chief – Citygate would conduct a standards of cover assessment and master plan for the Taylor Fire Department for \$68,109.00. The existing fire service delivery model is reaching its limits. With the influx of new growth, as well as the types of growth encouraged with the recently adopted comprehensive plan, it is time to reassess the fire department's capabilities and prepare for the additional growth. This plan will guide future decisions on staffing, fire station location, equipment needs, and service levels provided.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to approve the contract with Citygate Associates for \$68,109.00 as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ariola. Motion carried 4 to 0.

8. Consider the FY2022 Work Plan and Budget for the Public Arts Advisory Board.

Richard Stone, Board Chairman – The ordinance establishing the Public Arts Advisory Board requires an annual budget be established showing the board's expenditures. The Board has developed a work plan which reflects associated goals designed to promote and enhance the visual and performing arts as well as to increase the public's awareness of the importance of public art.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve the FY2022 Public Arts Advisory Board work plan and budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried 4 to 0.

9. Consider appointments to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Dianna McLean, City Clerk - The Planning and Zoning Commission currently has two vacated seats due to resignations. In an effort to ensure the P&Z Commission has enough members for a quorum, staff is requesting appointments be made to these two seats.

Councilmember Ariola nominated Jim Newman and Don Bunner.

Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson nominated Steve Darden.

Mayor Rydell called for a vote on appointing Don Bunner; no votes.

Mayor Rydell called for a vote on appointing Jim Newman; 4 yes.

Mayor Rydell called for a vote on appointing Steve Darden; 3 yes and 1 no.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Current Member	Reason for Appointment	New Member
Michael Aplin	Resigned	Steven Darden
LeLand Stevens	Resigned	Jim Newman

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to appoint Steven Darden to replace Michael Alpin and Jim Newman to replace LeLand Stevens. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session item and adjourned into closed session at 6:28pm.

Executive Session I. 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. Potential litigation regarding platting requirements in the Taylor ETJ

10. Reconvene into open session and take any action.

Mayor Rydell reconvened into open session at 6:44pm. No action was taken.

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ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:44p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna McLean, City Clerk

