

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on January 12, 2012, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Noting the absence of Council Member Ancira, 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 John McDonald
Council Member Chris Osborn

City Manager, Jim Dunaway
Assistant City Manager, Jeff Straub
City Attorney, Ted Hejl
City Clerk, Susan Brock

INVOCATION

Reverend Tony Watson led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

The following citizens came forward: Debbie Cepak addressed the Council regarding a residential wastewater issue and drainage problems near Holly Springs. Joe Naizer commented on city staff involvement at a recent board meeting of the Taylor Independent School District.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES DECEMBER 8 AND DECEMBER 13, 2011.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-33 TO REZONE 404 CARLOS PARKER G. PARKER BLVD. NW.

ORDINANCE 2011-33

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY BEING 0.924 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS IN THE WILLIAM J. BAKER SURVEY, ABSTRACT, GENERALLY LOCATED AT 404 CARLOS G. PARKER BOULEVARD TAYLOR WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS, LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE FROM SINGLE FAMILY R-1, TO LOCAL BUSINESS B-1; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-34 AMENDING THE SIGN ORDINANCE REGARDING FREESTANDING OR LOW PROFILE SIGNS.

ORDINANCE 2011-34

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2008-20 TO DELETE LANGUAGE IN CONFLICT WITH SECTION 3.10.2 WHICH ALLOWS A FREESTANDING SIGN FOR EVERY 150 FEET OF FRONTAGE ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY OF A PARCEL; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR NOVEMBER, 2011.

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

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

5. PROCLAMATION. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY, JANUARY 16, 2012.

Mayor Hill recognized Monday, January 16, 2012 as Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Reverend Tony Watson accepted the proclamation.

6. RECOGNIZE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR RECEIVING A CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING (CAFR) AWARD.

Mr. Dunaway asked Mayor Hill to assist in recognizing Ms. Rosemarie Dennis and staff for their recent achievement from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. This marked the third time they have received this award.

7. RECOGNIZE MAIN STREET PROGRAM FOR RECEIVING A NATIONAL MAIN STREET COMMUNITY AWARD.

Mr. Dunaway requested the Mayor present the award to Ms. Deby Lannen and Christina David, Main Street Board.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2003 W. 2ND STREET, 1.698 ACRES IN THE H. G. JOHNSON SURVEY, ABSTRACT 348, FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS TO M-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

Mr. John Elsdon presented a request to rezone property from local business to light industrial in order to allow the property owner to operate a food truck in the parking lot of his property. A question was raised regarding the need for this truck and staff responded that the main facility itself was never approved for a restaurant.

Mayor Hill opened the public hearing. Mr. A. P. Patschke spoke against this request on behalf of property owners immediately adjacent to the property. Comments also included the need to reexamine zoning and the future land use plan for the entryways to the city. Hearing no further comments, the hearing was closed.

ORDINANCES

9. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2012-02 TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2003 W. 2ND STREET, 1.698 ACRES IN THE

H. G. JOHNSON SURVEY, ABSTRACT 348, FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS TO M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

Mr. Elsdon presented the Ordinance corresponding to the previous agenda item discussed during the Public Hearing. Due to the comments made during the public hearing, Council opted not to move forward with this zoning request and did not introduce the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-02

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2003 W SECOND STREET FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS, TO M-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

10. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2011-23 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD 'FOOD BANK OR PANTRY' DEFINITIONS, DELETE DEFINITIONS FOR 'INSTITUTION FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR PHILANTHROPIC NATURE' AND 'NON PROFIT ACTIVITIES BY A CHURCH' AND TO CHANGE DEFINITIONS AND DISTRICTS ALLOWED FOR AUTO REPAIR, AND AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP.

Mr. Elsdon presented a request to introduce an ordinance that would amend the current zoning ordinance and provide clarification to specific definitions. After some discussion, Mayor Hill asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the ordinance as presented.

ORDINANCE 2011-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 2001-17 ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS ON APRIL 24, 2001 AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, BY ADDING FOOD BANK OR PANTRY TO TABLE 3, PERMITTED USES; MODIFYING TABLE 3 FOR MAJOR AUTO REPAIR, MINOR AUTO REPAIR, AND AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORY INSTALLATION (MINOR); ADDING FOOD BANK OR PANTRY TO SECTION 11, DEFINITIONS; MODIFYING CHAPTER 11, DEFINITIONS, FOR AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORY INSTALLATION (MINOR), AUTOMOBILE REPAIR, MINOR, AND AUTOMOBILE REPAIR, MAJOR; DELETING NON-PROFIT ACTIVITIES BY A CHURCH AND INSTITUTION FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE OR PHILANTHROPIC NATURE FROM TABLE 3; MODIFYING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP; AND PROVIDE A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

11. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R12-01 SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MEADOWS FOUNDATION BY THE YMCA OF GREATER WILLIAMSON COUNTY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR A PROPOSED COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER.

Mr. Straub presented a request to approve a resolution in support of a grant application to be submitted by the YMCA of Greater Williamson County. The application is to be submitted to the Meadows Foundation to request additional

funding for the YMCA facility in Taylor.

Council Member McDonald moved to approve Resolution R12-01 and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE. One vote NO (Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales). Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM IESI TO EXTEND SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT AND TO CONSIDER A FEE INCREASE FOR THESE SERVICES.

Mr. Danny Thomas, Director of Public Works, presented a request to consider a rate increase from IESI for garbage services. The request is for 3.9% to help with increased expenses for the delivery of these services. Council Member Osborn made a request to delay the request for an increase until the IESI staff can bring back a proposal to include recycling price options. Staff agreed to bring back a proposal at the February 9th council meeting and no further action was taken.

13. CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF BEDFORD REGARDING A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS.

On behalf of Chief Pat Ekiss, Taylor Fire Department, Mr. Dunaway presented a request to approve an interlocal agreement with the City of Bedford for the purchase of department uniforms. The agreement would allow the city to take advantage of lower prices when replacing uniforms as part of a purchasing cooperative.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Bedford and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

14. CONSIDER ENTERING INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH SLEDGE ENGINEERING, LLC FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT OF THE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

Mr. Straub presented a request to council to consider approving a professional services contract with Sledge Engineering for project management of the community recreation center. His services also include oversight during the design and construction of the facility.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve the professional services contract as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

15. CONSIDER ENTERING INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH KAH ARCHITECTS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT OF THE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER PROJECT.

Mr. Straub presented a request to enter into a professional services contract for design and construction of the community recreation center. Mr. Casey Sledge stated that the design plan will include a pool and also a gymnasium in an effort to have as complete a design as possible if funding becomes available to expand the facility. Staff recommended KAH Architects based on their qualifications and experience with similar facility design. Mr. Keith Hickman responded to questions related to the

proposed timeline.

With no further discussion Council Member McDonald moved to approve the professional services contract with KAH Architects as presented and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, and the authority contained in Section 551.087 to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial and/or financial information on a business prospect that the City of Taylor, Texas, seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Taylor, Texas, and with which the City of Taylor, Texas, is conducting economic development negotiations and/or deliberate the offer of financial or other incentives to the business prospect.

- Project Lone Star

Mayor Hill and council members retired to closed session at 7:40 pm.

17. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Hill resumed the open meeting at 8:08 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

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

Don Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk