

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
January 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Dwayne Ariola
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Council Member Gerald Anderson

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Dianna Barker, City Clerk

INVOCATION – Travis Summerlin gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rydell recognized the passing of former Mayor Calvin T. Janak, Sr.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

1. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Proclamation.

Councilmember Drummond read the proclamation and presented it to Shorty Mitchell, Chairman, and other MLK Jr. Committee members.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Kenneth Flippin, 119 W. 2nd St. - concerned about traffic safety related deaths in the city. Mr. Flippin asked the Council to have a vision to change Taylor to lead the State to bring traffic deaths to zero and asked Council to adopt Vision Zero standards.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Approve minutes from December 12, 2019.**
- 3. Concur with preliminary financials for November 2019.**
- 4. Resolution R20-01, accepting land donation and match money from Taylor Parks Foundation.**
- 5. Consider approving Resolution R20-02 approving the City Investment and Strategic policy.**
- 6. Consider Taylor Public Library Copyright Compliance Policy.**
- 7. Approve Resolution R20-03 for a Contract Amendment with ICMA for Roth Amendment Adoption Package.**
- 8. Consider authorizing the City Manager to accept land donation from Valero.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

- 9. Introduce Ordinance 2020-01, designating additional staff to accept candidate applications in the absence of the City Clerk.**

Dianna Barker, City Clerk – Introduced Ordinance to allow the City Manager to designate someone other than the City Clerk to accept applications for a place on the ballot in the absence of the City Clerk. Ordinance drafted due to City Clerk scheduled to be out three days during filing period to attend an Election Law seminar.

The City Attorney read the caption of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE CITY CLERK AS THE AUTHORITY WITH WHOM AN APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE BALLOT MUST BE FILED; AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF A PERSON WITH THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY CLERK TO RECEIVE THE APPLICATION WHEN THE CITY CLERK WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO RECEIVE THE FILING; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

First reading, no action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

Mayor Rydell moved item 11 up on the agenda to accommodate Scott Dean with American Legion Hall.

11. Receive presentation on the Miniature Golf Course in Murphy Park.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola and Councilmember Garcia recused themselves and left the dais due to being members of the Legion Board.

Scott Dean, American Legion representative – gave a brief presentation on the American Legion Hall taking over and remodeling the putt-putt golf course within Murphy Park, to include creating a beer garden at the course.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to receive the presentation as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Receive report on economic forecasting and current economic trends for CAPCOG Region and City of Taylor. (Jeff Jenkins/Rachel Steele)

Rachel Steel, CAPCOG – gave a presentation on the economic update for the City of Taylor to include population growth, home values, and income comparisons.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Consider amending Personnel Policies.

Kim Peterson, Human Resources Director – gave a presentation on proposed Personnel Policy changes.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the changes to the City of Taylor Personnel Policies as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Update on the Street Department Work Plan and discussion of the street level up program.

Jim Gray, Public Works Director – gave a presentation/update on the Street Department Work Plan and discussion of the street level up program. The Work Plan shows the use of personnel to respond to Accela calls and establishes a direction for the Public Works crews throughout the year. A map was presented showing the blocks on which the department plans to complete level ups. Council will provide Mr. Gray with feedback on their recommended streets for level up.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola to accept the street level up and crew plan update as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session meeting announcement and adjourned into executive session at 7:16p.m.

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. 4th Street Litigation
- b. Civil Service Commission complaint

The Council reconvened into regular session at 7:38p.m.

No action taken.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Diahna Barker, City Clerk

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

FORM CIS

(Instructions for completing and filing this form are provided on the next page.)

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This is the notice to the appropriate local governmental entity that the following local government officer has become aware of facts that require the officer to file this statement in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1-9-2020

1 Name of Local Government Officer

CITY COUNCIL A7-LAKE

2 Office Held

MAYOR PRO TEM

3 Name of vendor described by Sections 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Government Code

AMERICAN LEGION POST 39 VICE COMMANDER

4 Description of the nature and extent of each employment or other business relationship and each family relationship with vendor named in item 3.

NOT EMPLOYED, OFFICER IN LEGION

5 List gifts accepted by the local government officer and any family member, if aggregate value of the gifts accepted from vendor named in item 3 exceeds \$100 during the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B).

Date Gift Accepted _____ Description of Gift NA

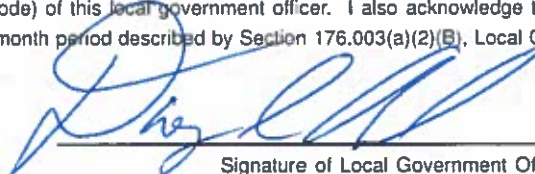
Date Gift Accepted _____ Description of Gift NA

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(attach additional forms as necessary)

6 AFFIDAVIT

I swear under penalty of perjury that the above statement is true and correct. I acknowledge that the disclosure applies to each family member (as defined by Section 176.001(2), Local Government Code) of this local government officer. I also acknowledge that this statement covers the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), Local Government Code.


Signature of Local Government Officer

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said Dwayne Ariola, this the 9 day of January, 20 20, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

Dianna Barker
Signature of officer administering oath

Dianna Barker
Printed name of officer administering oath

City Clerk
Title of officer administering oath

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Section 176.003 of the Local Government Code requires certain local government officers to file this form. A "local government officer" is defined as a member of the governing body of a local governmental entity; a director, superintendent, administrator, president, or other person designated as the executive officer of a local governmental entity; or an agent of a local governmental entity who exercises discretion in the planning, recommending, selecting, or contracting of a vendor. This form is required to be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than 5 p.m. on the seventh business day after the date on which the officer becomes aware of the facts that require the filing of this statement.

A local government officer commits an offense if the officer knowingly violates Section 176.003, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

Refer to chapter 176 of the Local Government Code for detailed information regarding the requirement to file this form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

The following numbers correspond to the numbered boxes on the other side.

1. **Name of Local Government Officer.** Enter the name of the local government officer filing this statement.
2. **Office Held.** Enter the name of the office held by the local government officer filing this statement.
3. **Name of vendor described by Sections 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Government Code.** Enter the name of the vendor described by Section 176.001(7), Local Government Code, if the vendor: a) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A), Local Government Code; b) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), Local Government Code; or c) has a family relationship with the local government officer as defined by Section 176.001(2-a), Local Government Code.
4. **Description of the nature and extent of each employment or other business relationship and each family relationship with vendor named in item 3.** Describe the nature and extent of the employment or other business relationship the vendor has with the local government officer or a family member of the officer as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A), Local Government Code, and each family relationship the vendor has with the local government officer as defined by Section 176.001(2-a), Local Government Code.
5. **List gifts accepted, if the aggregate value of the gifts accepted from vendor named in item 3 exceeds \$100.** List gifts accepted during the 12-month period (described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), Local Government Code) by the local government officer or family member of the officer from the vendor named in item 3 that in the aggregate exceed \$100 in value.
6. **Affidavit.** Signature of local government officer.

Local Government Code § 176.001(2-a): "Family relationship" means a relationship between a person and another person within the third degree by consanguinity or the second degree by affinity, as those terms are defined by Subchapter B, Chapter 573, Government Code.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that:

- (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
- (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.