

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
November 18, 2021 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 Robert Garcia
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

INVOCATION / MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Lisa Knapp, The Austin 20 – her foundation is addressing the issue of child sex trafficking. A treatment center is being opened in Taylor. Mrs. Knapp wanted to introduce herself to Council.
David Knapp, The Austin 20 – will be applying for variances when repairs start on property they purchased.

Katelyn Powers, Texas Family Initiative – working to provide kids with trauma support.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve minutes from the October 27, 2021 special called Council meeting and the October 28, 2021 regular Council meeting.**
2. Consider approving Interlocal Agreement with Williamson County regarding participation in the design and construction related to the SE Loop Construction Project, FM3349.
3. **Concur with preliminary financials for September 2021.**

Item number 2 was removed from consideration pending further research by staff.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the consent agenda items 1 and 3 as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

4. **Hold Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed Illustrative Plan for redistricting the City Council District.**
Gunnar Seaquist, Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta LLC – gave a presentation on the Illustrative Plan for redistricting showing the three areas where it is proposed the district lines move.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:16p.m.

Griffin Teggaman – asked what the process is in determining what district future new development would be placed in and how the districts would be balanced after new development.

With no one else appearing, the public hearing was closed at 6:18p.m.
This item was for discussion only. No action was taken.

5. Discuss the draft redistricting plan and any amendments if necessary to finalize the draft plan for future adoptions

Gunnar Seaquist, Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta LLC – again presented and explained the draft district map. Council made no changes to the draft map. Ordinance adopting the new district boundaries will be introduced at the December 9, 2021 Council meeting.

6. Introduce Ordinance 2021-37, FY2021 4th quarter Budget amendment.

Jeff Wood, Finance Director – gave a presentation explaining the 4th quarter amendments to the FY2021 budget. The purpose of this budget amendment is to have the budget closely reflect the actual financial activity that has occurred during FY 2021.

The City Attorney read the caption of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-37

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-28 ADOPTED ON AUGUST 26, 2021, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; BY AMENDING THE AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND OTHER CITY FUNDS THAT PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL OUTLAY AND BY CHANGING THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY.

First reading. No action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

7. Consider Ordinance 2021-35 regarding the adoption of the Envision Taylor Comprehensive Plan, including the Future Land Use Plan, Transportation Plan, Housing and Neighborhoods Plan and Implementation Plan.

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director – This ordinance adopts the Envision Taylor Comprehensive Plan. At their October 12th meeting, the Planning & Zoning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the plan as presented.

*Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson to adopt Ordinance 2021-35 as presented.
Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.*

8. Consider awarding the construction contract for the Mustang Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project to CSA Construction.

Jacob Walker, HDR Engineering - The Base Bid item for this project includes complete rehabilitation of Treatment Unit No. 2, installation of four new blowers and air piping to Train 2 and significant electrical system upgrades. An Alternate Bid item was included in the project for replacing the existing backup power generator. Two responsive bid proposals were submitted for constructing the project, CSA Construction, Inc. and Archer Western Construction, LLC.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to award the construction contract to CSA Construction, Inc. for the combined total of \$5,339,000 for constructing the Influent Lift Station and Clarifier No. 3 improvements. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Consider amending contract with Smith Contracting through Change Order to the 2019 Infrastructure Bond Street Reconstruction Project to construct pavement rehabilitation associated with 4th Street.

Jacob Walker, HDR Engineering – this Change Order to the 2019 Infrastructure Bond Street Reconstruction Project is to construct pavement rehabilitation associated with 4th Street between Sloan and Howard in the amount of \$364,710.00.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to amend the contract with Smith Contracting through Change Order #14 as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Receive update on the Percussion Park Playground Project and consider updated funding plan.

Tyler Bybee, Parks & Rec Direction – gave a presentation on the progress of the Percussion Park and an updated funding plan for the project. Good Life Taylor has an MOU with the City which establishes the framework for Good Life to design and fund the construction of a Percussion Creative playground in Murphy Park. SEC Planning has designed the playground and final plans have been approved by the City Planning Department and have been submitted to TPWD for review. Funding total from all three sources (TPWD, COT, and Good Life) is \$266,351. Due to construction cost rising, SEC planning has provided a cost estimate for the project at \$273,413.42. The City is exploring options on using remaining 2018 Certificate of Obligation Bond funds, earmarked for Parks Master Plan projects in the amount of \$77,000, to get the project completed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve the addition of \$77,000 in 2018 bond funds to be added to the Percussion Park project budget. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider Resolution R21-42 casting votes for Williamson Central Appraisal District (WCAD) Board of Directors.

Dianna Barker, City Clerk – Members of the WCAD Board are selected by taxing entities participating in the district every two years. This resolution would cast Taylor's vote for five candidates to the Board.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to adopt Resolution R21-42 casting votes as follows:

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ATKINSON, JOSHUA	
GIBBS, HARRY (Incumbent)	<u>11</u>
HISLE-PIPER, HOPE	
LUX, JON (Incumbent)	<u>12</u>
MOSES, MASON	
WEBER, LORA (Incumbent)	<u>12</u>

Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session item and adjourned into closed session at 7:12p.m.

Executive Session I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Local 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.

a. Project Sky

12. Reconvene into regular/open session and take any action.

Council reconvened into open session at 7:22p.m. No action was taken.

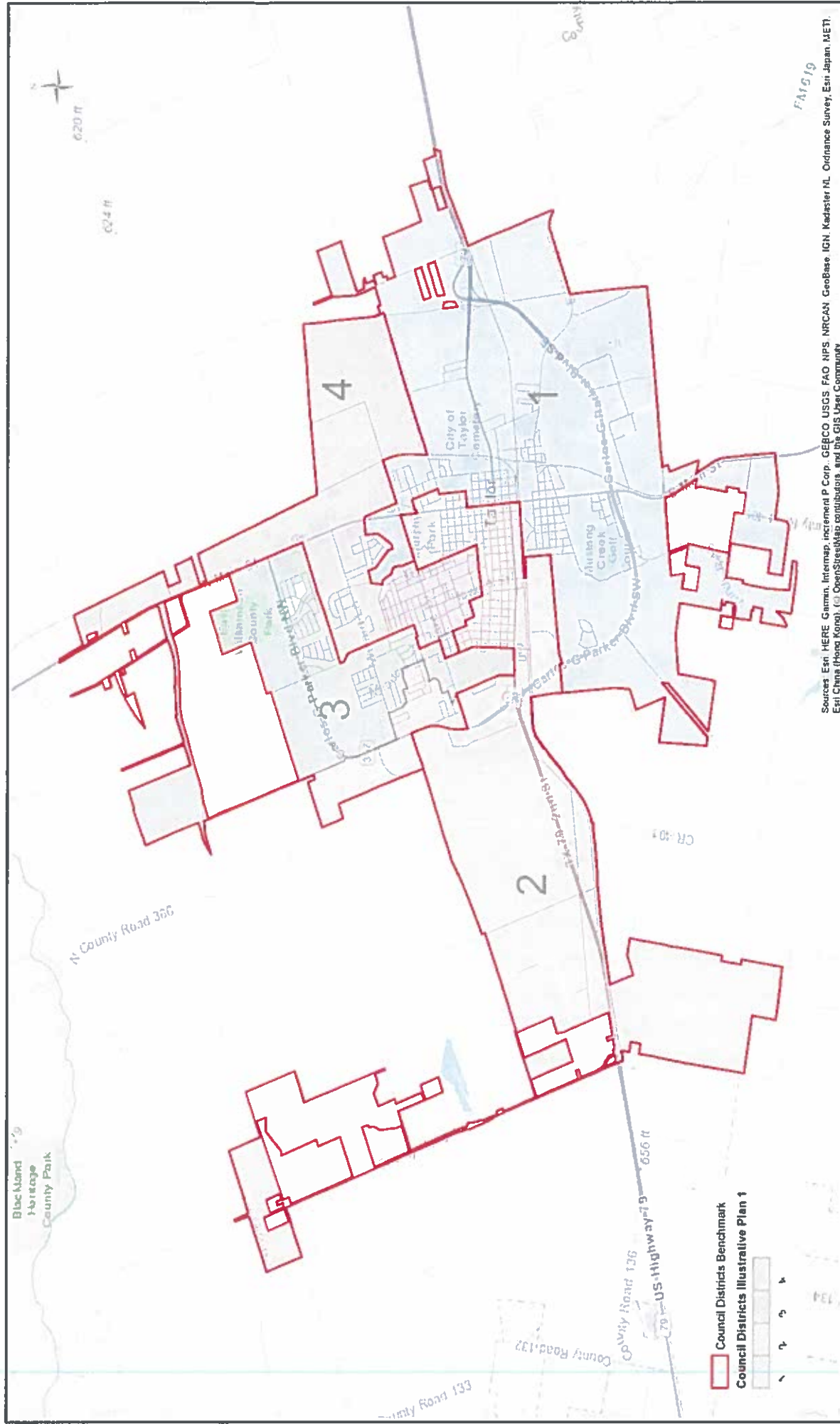
ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:23p.m.


Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:


Dianna McLean, City Clerk



Taylor City Council Districts Illustrative Plan 1

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