The City Council of the City of Taylor met on November 14, 2013, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Noting the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, Mayor Jesse Ancira, Jr. declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Scott Green
Council Member Don Hill
Council Member Brandt Rydell

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

INVOCATION
Mr. Straub led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION
Mr. Andreas Leal, Sr., read a letter he had distributed to Council regarding his difficulty getting a specific issue resolved with city staff. Additional citizens who signed up to speak during this time opted to wait until their issue was addressed on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 24, 2013.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2013-25 AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP BY ADDING FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATIONS TO AREAS ADJACENT TO ANNEXED PROPERTIES WITHIN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF TAYLOR, TEXAS.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-25

AN ORDINANCE ADDING FUTURE LAND USES TO ADJACENT AREAS WITHIN TAYLOR'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE FUTURE LAND USE ADDITIONS ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2013-28 ESTABLISHING SCHOOL ZONES IN THE CITY OF TAYLOR.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-28

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SCHOOL ZONES WITHIN THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AT LOCATIONS SET FORTH HEREIN; ESTABLISHING REDUCED SPEED LIMITS WITHIN THE ESTABLISHED SCHOOL ZONES DURING THE HOURS SET FORTH HEREIN OR WHEN DESIGNATED BY A FLASHING SIGN; PROVIDING FOR A FINE OR PENALTY OF THIS ORDINANCE AS A MISDEMEANOR SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED $500.00 FOR EACH OFFENSE, EXCEPT HOWEVER, WHERE A DIFFERENT PENALTY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY STATE LAW FOR SUCH OFFENSE, IN WHICH

EVENT THE PENALTY SHALL BE FIXED BY STATE LAW AND IF DEEMED A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION THAT GOVERNS FIRE SAFETY, ZONING, OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION, THE PENALTY SHALL NOT EXCEED THE SUM OF $2,000.00 FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

4. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH LANGFORD MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OF THE AMY YOUNG BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM.
5. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR SEPTEMBER, 2013.
Council Member Hill moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2013-21 REGARDING A REQUEST FROM HUMBERTO SUAREZ, PROPERTY OWNER IS TAPIMATA LLC, TO REZONE PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF 1202-1402 WELCH STREET ALSO DESCRIBED AS 12.44 ACRES OUT OF THE JAMES C. EAVES SURVEY ABSTRACT NO. 214 AND THE WILLIAM R WILLIAMS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 665, CITY OF TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS FROM R1 (SINGLE FAMILY) TO M1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) AND ALSO A REQUEST FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT IN THE M-1 DISTRICT FOR A RODEO.
Mayor Ancira continued the Public Hearing on this item from the previous meeting on October 24. Mr. Bob vanTil, Director of Planning and Development, presented an overview of the process and the current situation regarding a request to rezone property located at 1402 Welch Street. He reminded Council that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved this request. Mayor Ancira invited any speakers to step forward to the podium.

Speaking against the proposed zoning request were: Meggan Crow, Union Pacific Railroad; Andrew Dye, Correction Corporation of America (CCA); Francisco Venegas, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); and Janice Killian, Director of T. Don Hutto. Speaking in favor of the rezoning issue were: Andreas Leal, Tony Gomes, Andrew Gonzales, Destiny Pena, Johan Borger, Daniel Jones, Ray Pena, Patricio Meza, Alicia Gonzales, Virginia Pena, and Arturo Flores. Citing continued concerns regarding this issue Council Member Hill moved to send this item back to the Planning and Zoning Commission to seek a compromise through negotiations with all parties. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-21

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM R-1 TO M-1 AND INCLUDING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A RODEO, INCLUDING CONDITIONS, AND INCLUDING AN EXPIRATION DATE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1202-1402 WELCH STREET; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

7. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2013-22 REGARDING AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW MUSIC CONCERT AND DANCE HALL, OUTDOOR, WITH A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT IN CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICTS.
Mayor Ancira reopened the Public Hearing and stated that this item relates to the previous subject and may have already been addressed. Hearing no public comment, the hearing was closed and no further discussion or action was taken.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD MUSIC CONCERT AND DANCE HALL, OUTDOOR TO TABLE 3 PERMITTED USES; ADD A DEFINITION FOR MUSIC CONCERTS AND DANCE HALL, OUTDOOR; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

8. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM WILLIAMSON COUNTY PARK FOUNDATION TO RETURN FIVE ACRES OF LAND DEEDED TO THE CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING AN INDOOR RECREATION CENTER.
Mr. Dunaway presented a request from the Williamson County Park Foundation to return property previously deeded to the city to build a recreation center. Now that the possibility of such a venture is no longer planned the county is asking for the property to be returned.

Council Member Green moved to return the property as described and Council Member Hill seconded the emotion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

9. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM SUMMERFIELD HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION REGARDING BULK WATER RATE.
Mr. Dunaway presented a request from the Summerfield Home Owners Association to consider offering water at a reduced rate for their landscaping needs. Mr. Matthew Temple spoke on behalf of the association and provided council information on the group's efforts to plant drought resistant landscaping in an effort to reduce water usage.

Mr. Dunaway emphasized the negative effect this action could have on future utility revenues.

Council Member Rydell suggested we work on a plan to develop tiered prices for such use and was told that staff will be bringing a water rate study to them for their review in the very near future. No further action was taken on this item.

10. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL HISTORY AND ARCHIVES POLICY FOR THE TAYLOR PUBLIC LIBRARY.
Ms. Karen Ellis, Library Director, presented a request to consider adopting a collection policy regarding Local History and Archives.

Council Member Rydell moved to approve the policy as presented and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R13-18 SUBMITTING A BALLOT FOR THE WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Mr. Straub provided information regarding a resolution indicating the voting preference of the council regarding the election of a board member to the Williamson Central Appraisal Board of Directors. Previously, Council had nominated Deborah Hunt to the ballot, and Council Member Green moved that Council cast their 40 votes for Ms. Hunt via the resolution presented. Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM FUNDED PROJECTS AND CONSIDER RFQ FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.
Mr. Straub reminded Council that they had directed staff to move forward with the process of soliciting Requests For Qualifications (RFQ) by invitation. Mr. Sledge presented the list of possible projects to be considered for funding with the MDUS fees. Council Member Hill moved to direct staff to advertise for RFQ's rather than solicit by invitation in an effort to attract more firms and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SEARCH MECHANISM AND PROCESS FOR RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF A CITY MANAGER.
Mayor Ancira provided council members with copies of the proposals received from firms interested in conducting a search for the next city manager. Citing the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, Mayor Ancira chose to not move forward at this time until a full council was present.

14. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FUTURE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION
Mayor Ancira asked for a status report on the Taylor Housing Authority, an update on the disposition of the Old City Hall, and information regarding the water rate study; Council Member Hill would like to continue with work on developing an annual street maintenance plan and funding mechanisms; and Council Member Green asked for more information regarding Bureau Veritas and the possibility of an in-house engineering department as well as a discussion on a possible charter amendment election.

Mayor Ancira and council members retired to closed session at 8:18 pm.

15. 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.
    - Project Austin

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION II. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.
    - Interim City Manager position.

17. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EITHER EXECUTIVE SESSION.
Council returned to open session at 8:59 pm and Mayor Ancira stated that no action or vote was taken during either executive session. Addressing the issue discussed in Executive Session II, Council Member Hill moved to appoint Jeff Straub as Interim City Manager at 5:00 pm on December 31, 2013. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Ancira adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: Susan Brock

Susan Brock, City Clerk