

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on November 13, 2014, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Jesse Ancira, Jr. 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 Scott Green
Council Member Donald Hill
Council Member Brandt Rydell

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Mr. Danny Thomas led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mayor Ancira offered those who had signed up to address the Council an opportunity to speak at this time or, if their concern was regarding a specific agenda item, to speak when that item was under discussion. Mr. Ed Hile chose to speak during the agenda discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 23, AND OCTOBER 27, 2014.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2014-20 RENEWING DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-20

DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, REGULATING THE USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER SUPPLY RESOURCES IN RESPONSE TO DROUGHT AND EMERGENCY SHORTAGE CONDITIONS; ADDRESSING RETAIL AND WHOLESALE CUSTOMERS; PRESCRIBING COORDINATION WITH REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUPS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PRESCRIBING CRITERIA FOR THE INITIATION AND TERMINATION OF DROUGHT RESPONSE STAGES, INCLUDING SUPPLY REDUCTIONS, PRODUCTION /DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM LIMITATIONS, SUPPLY SOURCE CONTAMINATION, AND SYSTEM OUTAGE; PRESCRIBING NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES; PRESCRIBING SUPPLY/DEMAND MANAGEMENT RESPONSE MEASURES IMPLEMENTED DURING EACH STAGE TO INCLUDE CURTAILMENT OF NON-ESSENTIAL WATER USES; PRESCRIBING FOR ALTERNATIVE WATER SOURCES IN RESPONSE TO EMERGENCY SHORTAGE CONDITIONS; PRESCRIBING ALLOCATION PROCEDURES INCLUDING PRO RATA CURTAILMENT; CONTAINING ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS; PRESCRIBING CRITERIA FOR THE GRANTING OF VARIANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2014-17 TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1810 OLD GRANGER ROAD FROM SINGLE FAMILY (R-1) TO MULTI FAMILY (MF-1) DESCRIBED AS A 15.735-ACRE TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND OUT OF THE JOHN

PHARRASS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 495, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF TAYLOR,
WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2001-17 BY THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS ON APRIL 24, 2001 AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, BY CHANGING THE CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 15.735-ACRE TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND OUT OF THE JOHN PHARRASS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 495, SITUATED IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY, FROM SINGLE-FAMILY (R1) TO MULTI-FAMILY (MF-1) DISTRICT.

4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014.

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

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

(The following items were presented out of order.)

10. CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATIONS FROM TAYLOR GOOD LIFE FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Mike DeVito, Park Superintendent, presented a request to formally accept a donation of \$2100 from the 2013 Taylor Good Life event for the purchase of a shade structure in Murphy Park. An additional \$700 was raised in 2014 to purchase an ADA accessible swing for the Taylor Regional Park.

In the event of any perception of a conflict of interest, and prior to the vote, Council Member Rydell disclosed his relationship with the President of Taylor Good Life, to whom he is married. Council Member Green moved to accept the donation as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER RECEIVING ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE ANIMAL SHELTER AND APPOINTING TWO MEMBERS TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL AND SHELTER ADVISORY BOARD.

Commander Dan Ramsey presented an activity report on the Animal Shelter and a request to fill one vacancy on the Board and add a new board member position in an effort to increase the number of individuals to assist with the shelter programs. The report also included an acknowledgment of a \$2,000 donation from Taylor Good Life for shelter programs.

Council Member Rydell moved to accept the report as presented and to approve the appointments of two new members, Walter Maude and Christine Sumpter-Hegar to the

Animal Control and Shelter Advisory Board. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FUTURE DISPOSITION OF THE 7TH STREET CAMPUS.

Mayor Ancira stated that this item was placed on the council agenda in the event that additional action might be needed after the joint meeting with the school board on Monday. Hearing no such request from Superintendent Jerry Vaughn nor any of the council members, this item was passed on with no action.

(The Mayor resumed the regular agenda as presented.)

5. RECEIVE PRESENTATION REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.

Mr. Bob van Til, Director of Planning and Development, presented a plan to enhance the effectiveness of the department and be more responsive to customer needs. Part of the plan includes a redesign of the office facility itself as well as a name change to the Department of Development Services. The plan also includes changing the part time planner to a full time position.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to approve the changes as presented in the report as well as changing the position to a full time planner effective January 1, 2015. Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

6. CONSIDER CONTRACT EXTENSION, A RATE INCREASE, AND A RECYCLING PROGRAM WITH PROGRESSIVE WASTE SOLUTIONS.

Mr. Danny Thomas, Director of Public Works, presented a request from Progressive Waste Solutions to extend their contract and approve a 2% rate increase. Mr. Jim Hare, District Municipal Marketing Manager, provided information regarding a recycling program for an additional fee. Council Member Rydell suggested Council might want to consider rebidding this contract due to its length of service; the original contract was signed in 2002 and has been amended several times. Mr. Hare responded to questions and concerns regarding the recycling program and agreed to consider a pilot test program if requested. Council requested Mr. Thomas bring this item back to them for further consideration at the December 11th meeting. Staff were instructed to gather information regarding recent results of other cities rebidding similar contracts.

7. RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM MOODY MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD REGARDING DAN MOODY DOCUMENTARY.

Ms. Cissie Pierce, member of the Moody Museum Advisory Board, presented a brief video trailer of the documentary currently under production about when young Dan Moody took the KKK to trial long before he became Governor of the State of Texas. Ms. Pierce invited everyone to attend the premier of the completed film on Saturday, November 22 at 2 pm at the Howard Theatre, on Main Street in Taylor. Admission is free.

8. CONSIDER AMENDING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5TH AND VANCE STREETS.

Prior to any discussion, Mayor Ancira invited Mr. Ed Hile, 106 E. 2nd Street, to address the Council on this issue. Mr. Hile expressed concern that the city might relinquish this property rather than consider it for public use. He noted that while not in the Main Street District, it is near enough to be considered for possible public parking.

Mr. van Til reported that the original agreement allowed the interested parties two years to complete development. The previous owner had dilapidated trailer homes on the lot and it had become an eyesore and nuisance. To alleviate this issue, the city took ownership with the goal to sell the property and get it back on the tax rolls. Council requested this item be readdressed at the next meeting when the parties involved could provide input on the planned development of the property.

9. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2014-09 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-20 SECTION 6.5D INCREASING THE TREE ADVISORY BOARD FROM FIVE TO SEVEN MEMBERS.

Mr. DeVito presented a request to increase the number of members on the Tree Advisory Board from five to seven. The change would allow more input and provide assistance in planning events as required to retain the recognition as a Tree City USA. Hearing no comments or concerns, Mayor Ancira asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the Ordinance as presented:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2010-12, PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 2012-20, BY AMENDING PARAGRAPH 6.5, SECTION D, SUBSECTION (A), TO INCREASE THE TREE ADVISORY BOARD FROM FIVE (5) MEMBERS TO SEVEN (7) MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES.

12. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Mayor Ancira asked council members for any items in need of further discussion. Council Member Hill would like an update on the street projects; Council Member Rydell asked for a discussion on sidewalks, both repair and maintenance; Mayor Ancira added the possibility of a city facilities review, how the city is conserving water; and Mr. Turner mentioned the need to continue the discussion on fire suppression systems.

(Mayor Ancira and council members retired to closed session at 8:05 pm.)

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION I. 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 deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee:

- Evaluation of Randall Pick, Municipal Court of Record Judge.

15. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION I; CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENT OF JUDGE PICK AS THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD JUDGE.

(Council did not take action on this item until they reconvened after all three Executive Sessions.)

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 deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee:

- Assistant City Manager position.

17. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION II.

(Council did not take action on this item until they reconvened after all three Executive Sessions.)

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION III. 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.

- Allison Drive
- Project Blimp

19. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION III.

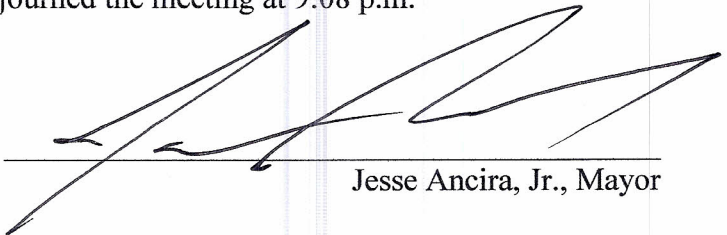
Mayor Ancira resumed the open meeting at 9:07 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken during either Executive Session.

15. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION I; CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENT OF JUDGE PICK AS THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD JUDGE.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to reappoint Mr. Pick as Municipal Court of Record Judge and Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

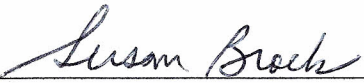
ADJOURN

With no further business, Mayor Ancira adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.



Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Susan Brock", is written over a horizontal line.

Susan Brock, City Clerk