

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on November 12, 2015, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Noting the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Chris Gonzales, Mayor Jesse Ancira 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

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Noel Bernal, Assistant City Manager
Susan Brock, City Clerk
Mark Schroeder, City Attorney

INVOCATION

Chief Pat Ekiss led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

No citizens came forward during this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. CONSIDER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES FOR THE TITSWORTH AND MCCRORY-TIMMERMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.
2. CONSIDER A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE TAYLOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MONUMENT SIGN AT THE MUSTANG INDUSTRIAL PARK.
3. CONSIDER COOPERATIVE PURCHASING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FRISCO AND THE CITY OF TAYLOR.
4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR SEPTEMBER 2015.
5. APPROVE MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 22, 2015.

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

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

6. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION R15-23 ALLOWING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP) FOR A MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION ACTION PLAN GRANT.

Mr. Bernal presented a request to approve a resolution authorizing the staff to submit a planning grant application before December 15, 2015. This program allows Taylor to take advantage of the funding available for hazard mitigation to reduce or eliminate risk from future natural hazards. Taylor became eligible for these funds when the President declared Williamson County a disaster after the May storm event.

Council Member Hill moved to approve Resolution R15-23 as presented and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

7. CONSIDER AWARDING THE MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE PURPOSES OF WRITING AN APPLICATION TO FEMA FOR A MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION ACTION PLAN AND THE SUBSEQUENT PREPARATION OF A MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION ACTION PLAN AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PROJECT IF FUNDED BY THE HMGP.

Mr. Bernal presented a request to award a contract for grant writing and management services to Langford Community Management Services for the HMGP as discussed in the previous agenda item. Mr. Bernal stated that they were the only firm that submitted a proposal. The maximum award is \$60,000 and, if awarded, the portion for city matching funds would not exceed 25% or \$15,000.

Council Member Hill moved to award the contract to Langford Management Services as presented and Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

8. CONSIDER APPROVING REVISED LIBRARY POLICY REGARDING LOCAL HISTORY AND ARCHIVES COLLECTION.

Ms. Karen Ellis, Library Director, presented a revised policy related to guidelines for accessing the materials in the library archives collection. These changes were necessary to stay in compliance with state law.

Council Member Rydell moved to approve the revised policy with changes regarding accessing archives and unprocessed materials. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

9. RECEIVE UPDATE ON 7TH STREET CAMPUS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

Mr. Turner presented a brief update on the status of the 7th street campus and introduced Mr. Roy Alston with Strategic Development Partners to provide more details. Mr. Alston stated that they in process of completing the conveyance of title and expects site control by the end of the year. He stated he would be seeking community input during the first part of next year and he is moving forward with plans to secure financing.

Council Member Hill asked Mr. Alston to make an effort to keep the community non-profit tenants informed as the process continues. This item was for information only and no action was required.

10. RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM THE TAYLOR MARKETING PARTNERSHIP.

Ms. Holli Nelson, Public Information Officer, presented an overview of how the Taylor Marketing Partnership is proceeding with the Taylor Made branding efforts. This item was for information only and no action was required.

11. CONSIDER RESOLUTION R15-22 CASTING VOTES FOR WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT (WCAD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Ms. Brock presented a request to consider approving a vote by resolution for the board of directors of the Williamson Central Appraisal District. In October, Council nominated Ms. Deborah Hunt as a candidate for the Board.

Council Member Green moved to approve Resolution R15-22 as presented submitting 35 votes for Deborah Hunt to serve on the WCAD Board of Directors. Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Mayor Ancira asked council members for any items in need of further discussion. He asked Mr. Turner to provide information on safety issues at Murphy Park; Council Member Rydell asked for an update on the Downtown Master Plan; Council Member Green continued to ask for corridor signage to be addressed; Council Member Hill asked if staff might consider reviewing older ordinances to see if they are in need of updating.

(Mayor Ancira and council members retired to closed session at 6:45 pm.)

(Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales joined the council while they were in closed session.)

13. 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 Charcoal
- Project Chip
- Project Square

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION II. 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 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.

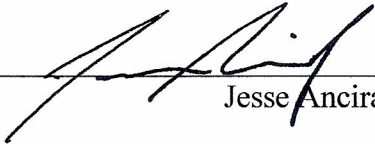
- City Manager evaluation

15. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Ancira resumed the open meeting at 7:49 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken during Executive Session. He expressed the feeling of the Council was that they are very pleased with the performance of Mr. Turner. Council Member Rydell moved to approve a 3% increase to the base salary of Mr. Turner and to begin a 2% contribution to a 457 Retirement Plan with the next pay period. Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

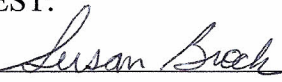
ADJOURN

Mayor Ancira declared the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Jesse Ancira, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Brock, City Clerk