

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on November 10, 2011, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Hill declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Jesse Ancira
Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member John McDonald
Council Member Chris Osborn

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

INVOCATION

Pastor David Henderson led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Ms. Cindy Crosby with Bickerstaff, Heath Delgado and Acosta presented a letter to Council from the Department of Justice confirming the approval of the redistricting plan submitted for the city election districts. These newly approved districts will be applied to the next city election held in May, 2012.

The following citizens came forward to express their support of an indoor recreation center and of the Taylor Family YMCA programs: Loretta Patschke, Don McAlister, Ed Komandosky, and Jacky Jones.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES OCTOBER 27, 2011.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-29 REGARDING SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR BED AND BREAKFAST.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-29

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A BED AND BREAKFAST FACILITY ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 819 HACKBERRY STREET; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-30 REGARDING ZONING FOR PROPERTY AT 1520 AND 1600 NORTH MAIN STREET.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-30

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY AT 1520 AND 1600 NORTH MAIN STREET FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS, TO B-2, GENERAL BUSINESS; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

4. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-31 REGARDING ZONING FOR 400-408 SOUTH DOAK STREET

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-31

AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF 400 TO 408 SOUTH DOAK STREET FROM M-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

5. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-32 REGARDING TMRS EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT VESTING.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-32

AN ORDINANCE AFFECTING PARTICIPATION OF CITY EMPLOYEES IN THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM; GRANTING THE ADDITIONAL RIGHTS, CREDITS AND BENEFITS AUTHORIZED BY SECTIONS 852.205 OF TITLE B. GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AMENDED; AND PRESCRIBING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

6. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR SEPTEMBER, 2011.

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

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

7. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2011-23 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING INSTITUTION FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE OR PHILANTHROPIC NATURE AND NON PROFIT ACTIVITIES BY A CHURCH, AND TO ADD FOOD BANK OR PANTRY AND HOMELESS SHELTER DEFINITIONS AND AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP.

Mayor Hill was advised by staff that this item was still under review and would be scheduled for a future meeting.

8. CONSIDER AMENDING PERSONNEL POLICY SECTION 2.5 REGARDING WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION POLICY.

Ms. Starla Hall, Director of Human Resources, presented a request to consider amending the existing personnel policy to make changes that would bring our city policy in agreement with the recently passed state legislation regarding workplace violence prevention. The new law allows employees to have firearms and ammunition in their personal vehicles on company property. The vehicle must be locked, and the employee must have a concealed handgun license. Council Member Osborn expressed his lack of support for this legislation.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales moved to accept the changes as presented and to amend the personnel policy as requested and Council Member Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE; one vote NO (Council Member Osborn). Motion passed.

9. CONSIDER AMENDING PERSONNEL POLICY SECTIONS 4.3, 4.6, AND 4.1223 REGARDING LEAVE POLICIES.

Ms. Hall presented a request to amend the personnel policy regarding leave policies for vacation and holiday time. The proposed amendment will allow employees with ten years of service and Civil Service police to carryover 120 hours and 180 hours for Civil Service Firefighters and 108 hours for probationary fire employees. In addition to vacation leave, Firefighter holiday leave, PAID and Personal leave would increase to 12 hours based on a 12 hour day.

Council Member McDonald moved to amend the policy as requested and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

10. CONSIDER RESOLUTION R11-25 SUBMITTING A VOTE FOR WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Mr. Dunaway presented a request to consider casting a total of forty votes for one or more of the candidates nominated for the Board of Directors of the Williamson Central Appraisal District.

Council Member Ancira moved to cast the City of Taylor forty votes for Deborah Hunt and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR MOODY MUSEUM REPAIRS.

Mr. Bob vanTil, Director of Planning and Development presented a request to award a contract for repairs to the Moody Museum. Four companies responded to the request for quotes and the Museum Board recommended Eulenfeld be selected to perform the repairs. Ms. Susan Komandosky, President, Moody Museum Board, asked Council to consider not using the Louis K. Ned funds since the repairs were considered maintenance and should be included in the city budget. This would allow the Ned funds to be used for specific projects and programs initiated by the board.

Council Member Osborn moved to award the contract to Eulenfeld using \$20,000 from the Hotel Occupancy Tax funds and \$29,213.40 from the Louis K. Ned fund and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

Mayor Hill and council members retired to closed session at 6:45 pm.

12. 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 551.072 in order to deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

- Disposition of Vance Street property

13. 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, 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.

- ERCOT

(Council Member McDonald recused himself from the session on ERCOT.)

- Project Venture

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION III. The Taylor City Council will hold 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 a personnel issue: City Manager Health Insurance.

15. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EITHER EXECUTIVE SESSION.
Mayor Hill resumed the open meeting at 8:50 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during any of the Executive Sessions.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve the ERCOT 380 agreement as presented during Executive Session and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion.

VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed. (Council Member McDonald did not participate in the discussion or action relating to ERCOT.)

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Hill adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Don Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk