

City of Taylor
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting Minutes
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
November 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Ariola declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Kelly Cmerek
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Shelli Cobb
Council Member Gerald Anderson
Mayor Dwayne Ariola

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager
Tom Yantis, Assistant City Manager
Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- **Arbor Day proclamation**
Councilmember Anderson read the proclamation and presented it to Tyler Bybee, Director of Parks and Recreation.
- **Small Business Saturday proclamation**
Mayor Pro Tem Cmerek read the proclamation and presented it to Jan Harris, Main Street Manager.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

No citizens signed up to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider approval of the minutes from the October 24, 2024, regularly scheduled Council meeting.**
2. **Concur with Monthly Financial Report for September 2024.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cmerek. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

3. **Consider approval of Ordinance 2024-45 regarding a request to allow an Infill Neighborhood Plan generally located at 1120 W. Lake Drive, to modify permitted building types and heights within the P3: Neighborhood Place Type, legally described as approximately 1.24 acres of land situated in Hague Heights, Block One, Lots 8 through 13, more particularly described by the Williamson Central Appraisal District Parcel R017151, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**
Scott Dunlop, Development Services Director, was available to answer questions and provide additional information.

Mayor Ariola opened the public hearing at 6.17 p.m.

JoAnn Jensen signed up to speak. When called upon she asked to donate her time to April Young.

April Young requested for City Council to not approve the rezoning request at this time.

The public hearing was closed at 6:24 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve Ordinance 2024-45 as presented.

Motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Introduce Ordinance 2024-46 Amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget.

Mr. Wood introduced the fiscal year 2024 budget amendment.

Mayor Ariola opened the public hearing at 6:51 p.m.

No one spoke during the public hearing.

The public hearing was closed at 6:51 p.m.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-46

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS AMENDING
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-19 ADOPTED ON MAY 09, 2024 MAKING
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY FOR FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; 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

5. Consider a request from 7-Eleven for a variance to the distance requirement regarding the sale of alcohol.

Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk, gave a brief presentation on the agenda item. Due to the location of the convenient store being within 300 feet of Taylor High School, the applicant had to notify the school district and ask for their concurrence. The Taylor ISD provided a letter of no objections. City staff recommends approval of the variance request.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to approve the variance request as presented.

Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cobb. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action on Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center Construction Bid from GCreek Construction.

Tyler Bybee, Director of Parks and Recreation gave a brief history of the project and provided the current design concept. Brannon Engineering and Consulting representative Phillip Cowles provided details on the bidding process and the estimated cost of construction. Staff recommends

not making any changes to the design and awarding the construction bid to G. Creek Construction as presented.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to award the Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center Construction bid to GCreek Construction as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration to enter a Construction Materials Engineering and Testing contract with Raba Kistner Consultants, Inc., to accompany the Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center Renovation.

Tyler Bybee, Director of Parks and Recreation presented the agenda item noting that the DRAC Renovation construction materials will need to be tested to ensure a quality project. Raba Kistner will provide testing to confirm materials used in construction are up to specifications. Mr. Bybee reviewed the scope of testing. He advised that testing and observations will mirror the construction schedule.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to enter into a construction materials engineering and testing contract with Raba Kistner Consultants as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Consideration to amend Task Order 55 with HDR to add scope and fee to accompany the Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center Renovation.

Tyler Bybee, Director of Parks and Recreation presented the agenda item. This amendment would add scope and fees to include project management services provided by HDR through the construction of the project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to amend Task Order 55 with HDR as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Consider awarding the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a Permit Process Audit to Berry Dunn and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract.

Scott Dunlop, Director of Development Services gave a brief explanation of the purpose of proceeding with a permit process audit. Andrea Brinkly with Berry Dunn gave a presentation on the services they will be providing during the audit process.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to award the permit process audit RFQ to Berry Dunn and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cmerek. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ariola read the executive session items and adjourned into closed session at 7:46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this Agenda. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act including Section 551.071 (Consult with attorney); Section 551.072 (Real Property); Section 551.073 (Gifts and Donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Section 551.076 (Security Devices); and Section 551.087 (Economic Development).

- a. Samsung property tax appraisal.

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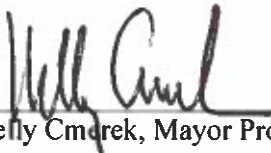
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- b. Discussion and deliberate matters relating to the non-profit status of EPCOR/130 Regional Water Supply Corporation.
- c. Project Spear.
- d. Discuss potential litigation regarding 1803 Old Coupland Road.

Mayor Ariola reconvened into open session at 8:24 p.m. No action was taken.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Ariola declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.



Kelly Cmurek, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk