

City of Taylor
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting Minutes
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
March 13, 2025 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
Carly Pearson, Assistant City Manager
Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Robert Beard expressed concerns he has with junk vehicles in the area of Frink Street, Oscar Street, and Porter Street.

Mayor Ariola announced that City Council will not be going into Executive Session and offered for anyone who would like to speak on that agenda item to be recognized. No one spoke on the agenda item.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve minutes from the February 27, 2025, regular City Council meeting.**
2. **Consider approval of Resolution R25-06, a resolution authorizing the City of Taylor to purchase 0.873 acres in the Parthinia Coursey Survey Abstract No. 131 Williamson County.**
3. **Consider approval of Task Order 56 Amendment 1 with HDR Engineering, Inc., reducing scope and removing fee**
Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

Before moving on, Mr. Jeff Jenkins introduced the new Chief Financial Officer, Robert Powers.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

4. **Receive an update presentation from Williamson County and Cities Health District.**
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager, introduced Dr. Caroline Hilbert, the District's Executive Director, who gave a brief presentation providing information on the Williamson County and Cities Health District, the programs offered and information regarding services provided in Taylor. Dr. Hilbert and Lori Murphy, also with Williamson County and Cities Health District, were available to answer questions and provide additional information.
Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration and possible action on awarding the 2024 Street Maintenance Project bid to Texas Road, LLC.

Jacob Walker, City Engineer with HDR, reviewed the project scope and presented the results of the 2024 Street Maintenance Project bid opening. Staff recommends City Council award the 2024 Street Maintenance Construction Project including the base bid and both additive alternates to Texas Road, LLC.

The following individuals spoke on this agenda item: Gail Samuels, Lisa Drummond, Justin Irving, and Monica Zavala.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Cobb to award the 2024 Street Maintenance Project bid, including the base bid and both alternatives to Texas Road, LLC.; and authorize the City Manager, or his designee to enter into the contract. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Councilmember Garcia in opposition.

6. Consideration and possible action to enter into a Construction Materials Engineering and Testing contract with Raba Kistner Consultants, Inc, to accompany the 2024 Street Maintenance Project

Jim Gray, Director of Public Works presented the agenda item noting that the street maintenance 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.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to approve the contract with Raba Kistner as presented and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into the contract. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration and possible action on Task Order 65 with HDR Engineering, Inc., to perform Construction Administration services on the 2024 Street Maintenance Project

Jim Gray, Director of Public Works, presented the agenda item. This task order is for the scope and fees for project management services provided by HDR through the construction of the street maintenance project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to approve Task Order 65 with HDR as presented and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into the contract. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

City Council **DID NOT** adjourn into Executive Session.

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. Project Ford
 - Section 551.071 (Consult with Attorney)
 - Section 551.072 (Real Property)

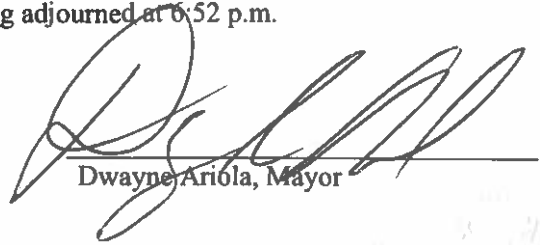
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ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Ariola declared the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.



Dwayne Ariola, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk



