

The City Council of the City of Taylor met in a special joint meeting with the Taylor Independent School District (TISD) Board on October 12, 2010, at Sirloin Stockade Restaurant on T. H. Johnson Drive, Taylor, Texas. Mayor Pro Tem McDonald and Brad Moss, Chairman of the TISD Board of Directors, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m. with the following City Council members and City Staff present:

Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member Don Hill
Council Member Chris Osborn

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

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

1. DISCUSS FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION IN AN INDOOR AQUATIC CENTER AT THE YMCA.

Jeff Andresen, President, YMCA of Greater Williamson County, presented a proposal for the city and school district to consider a financial partnership with the YMCA with regards to their planned facility expansion. Mr. Andresen provided information about a proposed \$2.2 million new facility to be built on property donated by the Williamson County Parks Foundation near the Taylor Regional Park and Sports Complex. His request was for financial assistance in adding an indoor pool to the facility to enhance the programs already being offered and to attract new members. The financial commitment from partners was as yet undetermined but could be approximately \$1 million. Commissioner Morrison was present to offer his support for the project.

8. UPDATE ON EAST WILLIAMSON COUNTY HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER.

(This item was taken out of order to accommodate Mr. Martinez's schedule.) Thomas Martinez, President, Taylor Chamber of Commerce, provided an update on current plans regarding the East Williamson County Higher Education Center (EWCHEC). He stated that the Taylor partners were continuing to work towards developing a plan in the event the Hutto voters do not approve the bond in May.

2. UPDATE ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

Casey Sledge, consulting city engineer, provided an update on current and recently completed capital improvement projects including the water towers, infrastructure to the new high school, and the second street rehabilitation project. He reported that the water line to the new high school is complete and active. It was noted that these infrastructure improvements are estimated to be about \$3 million with additional improvements for wastewater still underway.

3. THE MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM (MDUS).

Mr. Dunaway gave a brief overview of the process the city went through to establish a drainage fee and stated the council took action to set a rate of \$1 per Equitable Residential Unit, or 2500 square feet for each residential unit, and a \$1 rate per 2500 square feet of impervious cover for non-residential properties. The rate goes into effect January 1, 2011.

4. PLANNED ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY.

Mr. Dunaway presented an overview of the first annexation in 2010 and the one currently

underway to include Chandler Road on the northwest side of the current city limits.

5. DISCUSS TRAFFIC ISSUES REGARDING AREAS AROUND SCHOOL CAMPUSES.

Mr. Dunaway expressed his concern for increased traffic problems around the Naomi Pasemann and T. H. Johnson Elementary Schools. He urged staff from both entities to develop a traffic plan for these areas and to seek a long term solution to the existing problems.

6. UPDATE ON TISD SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH.

Brad Moss provided a calendar time line regarding the superintendent search process. He reported they anticipate between thirty and forty-five applications will be received before the October 27th deadline.

7. UPDATE ON NEW HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Mr. Sledge provided a brief overview of the status of the construction on the new high school and stated that the project is “under budget and ahead of schedule”. Mr. Dunaway asked if there was a plan to allow public use of the lighted tennis courts. Mr. Moss said this issue has been under discussion and no decision has been made at this point.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Neither entity provided any announcements.

ADJOURN

No action was taken on any item and Mayor Pro Tem McDonald adjourned the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

John McDonald, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk