City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
September 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Pro-Tem Gerald Anderson
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Mayor Brandt Rydell

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Dianna McLean, City Clerk

INVOCATION / MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Stan Oliver, 1941 TH Johnson Dr. – concerned about the way the City figures/charges for utilities. Requested the City post clearly on the website how it works so residents can plan.

Robert Rinehart, 2201 FM3329 – concerned about what restrictions will be applied to his property due to the Restricted Growth area in the Comprehensive Plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve minutes from the August 25, 2022 TIF Board meeting, regular City Council meeting, and special called Council meeting.**
2. **Concur with preliminary financials for July 2022.**
3. **Consider Ordinance 2022-39 regarding PZ-2021-1369 a change of zoning, on approximately 21.78 acres generally located at 3811 North Main Street, from Rural/Agricultural (R/A) and Local Business (B-1) zoning districts to Multi-Family Residential with a Residential Planned Development Overlay (MF-2/RPD).**
4. **Consider Ordinance 2022-35, Strength of Force, number of positions in Fire Department.**
5. **Consider request from Main Street Advisory Board to allow the sale and consumption of beer and/or wine at City-sponsored events and the Texas Mamma Jamma Ride in Heritage Square.**

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

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

6. **Hold Public Hearing regarding the FY 2022/2023 annual budget.**
   Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer – state law requires the City to hold a public hearing on the proposed budget prior to adoption. Mr. Wood gave a presentation on the proposed FY2023 budget.

   Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:24pm. With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed at 6:24pm.

   No action was taken.

7. **Consider Ordinance 2022-32, adopting the annual budget for FY 2022/2023.**
   - Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer – presented the proposed ordinance.

     Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to adopt Ordinance 2022-32 adopting the FY2022/2023 budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond.

     Mayor Rydell asked the City Clerk to call for a record vote.
     Councilmember Drummond voted Yes
     Councilmember Ariola voted No
     Mayor Rydell voted Yes
     Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson voted Yes
     Councilmember Garcia voted Yes

     The motion carried 4 to 1.

   - Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer – explained that the FY 2023 budget will raise approximately $1,822,361 more in total property tax revenue than the FY 2021 budget.

     Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to ratify that the FY 2023 Budget raises $1,822,361 more in revenue from property taxes than the FY 2022 Budget. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Councilmember Ariola opposing.

8. **Hold Public Hearing regarding fixing and levying ad valorem tax rate for tax year 2022/2023.**
   Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer – gave a presentation on the FY2023 ad valorem tax rate. Mayor Rydell stated that the City received seven comments via the County's tax website.

   Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:34pm. With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed at 6:35pm.

   No action was taken.

9. **Consider Ordinance 2022-33, fixing and levying ad valorem tax rate for tax year 2022/2023.**
   Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer - The proposed FY 2023 Budget is based on a tax rate of $0.648953 per $100 valuation.

   Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia stating, "I move that the property tax rate be increased by adopting Ordinance 2022-33 with a tax rate of $0.648953 per $100 of valuation, which is effectively a 10.976% increase in the tax rate." Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond.

   Mayor Rydell asked the City Clerk to call for a record vote.
   Councilmember Drummond voted Yes
   Councilmember Ariola voted No
   Mayor Rydell voted Yes
   Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson voted Yes
   Councilmember Garcia voted Yes

The motion carried 4 to 1.

10. **Introduce Ordinance 2022-36, establishing fees for city services for FY 2022/2023.**
Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer – gave a presentation on the proposed fee schedule. The proposed Ordinance 2022-36 is amending Ordinance 2021-23 to establish the fee schedule for FY 2023.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-36

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-23 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 BY CHANGING CERTAIN RATES AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY.

First reading. No action was taken.

11. **Introduce Ordinance 2022-40 SiEnergy franchise agreement within City Rights-of-Way.**
Brian LaBorde, City Manager - SiEnergy LP is a gas company, new to Taylor, to provide retail service and will be supplying service to Samsung.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-40

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, GRANTING TO SIENERGY, L.P. THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE, AND FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, EXTEND, REMOVE, REPLACE, ABANDON, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN ITS SYSTEM FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THETRANSPORTATION, DELIVERY, SALE, AND DISTRIBUTION OF GAS IN AND OUT OF AND THROUGH SAID MUNICIPALITY; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF A FEE OR CHARGE FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY; AND PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, A PENALTY CLAUSE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

First reading. No action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

12. **Receive Taylor Economic Development Corporation (TEDC) Board update and consider the budget for Taylor Economic Development Corporation for FY 2022/2023.**
Mark Thomas, TEDC Director – presented the TEDC's proposed FY2023 budget and gave an update on the TEDC Board activities.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to receive the TEDC's Board update and FY2023 proposed budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

13. **Discuss possible modification to the Food Sanitation Regulation Ordinance.**
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager – gave a presentation on a possible modification to the Food Sanitation Regulations contained within ordinance 2003-14. The current ordinance states an "Unsatisfactory" placard shall be posted on the front door of a business after they fail the second inspection (after a first inspection failure). WCCHD asked the City to change the ordinance to align with other county cities and state an "Unsatisfactory" placard shall be posted on front door after the first failed inspection.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to proceed with modifying Ordinance 2003-14 as stated and bring back to Council for consideration. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

14. **Consider adoption of Drainage Master Plan.**
Steven Crawford, Halff Associates – gave a presentation on the Drainage Master Plan. Halff Associates has completed the Drainage Master Plan that includes prioritized conceptual drainage solutions for future implementation into the City of Taylor CIP plan.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to adopt the Drainage Master Plan as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

15. **Receive Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and Core Values Update.**
LaShon Gros, Human Resources Director – gave a presentation and provided Council with an update on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) goals and the establishment of Core Values for the city's employees.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the DEI update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

16. **Consider appointment to Tree Advisory Board, Public Arts Advisory board, and ZBA.**
Dianna McLean, City Clerk – Three Boards are needing to have seats filled.

Tree Advisory Board

Current Member	Reason for Appointment	Willing to serve again?	Applicants
Tiffany Price	Term Expiring	Yes	N/A

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to reappoint Tiffany Price to the Tree Advisory Board. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Arts Advisory Board

Current Member	Reason for Appointment	Willing to serve again?	Applicants
Lois Duncan	Resigned		• Kathleen Forrest • Carlos Menchaca • Michael Prillaman (currently serving on ZBA as alternate)

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to appoint Kathleen Forrest to the Public Arts Advisory Board. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson to appoint Carlos Menchaca to replace Lois Duncan. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Current Member	Reason for Appointment	Willing to serve again?	Applicants
Suzanne Bice	Resigned		Michael Prillaman (currently an alternate)
Carey Gambrell - Alternate	Serving on Civil Service Board		
Vacant – Alternant seat			
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Carey Gambrell was appointed to the Civil Service Board back in May. All three Alternate seats are now vacant. There are no applications on file.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to appoint Michael Prillaman to replace Suzanne Bice on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:09p.m.

Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianna McLean, City Clerk