

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on July 27, 2010 at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Noting the absence of Council Member Chris Osborn, Mayor Hortenstine declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem John McDonald
Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member Don Hill

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

INVOCATION

Chief Jeff Straub led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mr. Art Baisley addressed the council regarding rezoning of his recently annexed property.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES FOR JUNE 22 AND JULY 8, 2010.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2010-26, SUP FOR SVOBODA BED AND BREAKFAST ON MCCLURE STREET.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-26

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A BED AND
BREAKFAST FACILITY ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 829 MCCLURE
STREET; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

3. ACCEPT SEMI ANNUAL IMPACT FEE REPORT.
4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR JUNE, 2010.

Mayor Pro Tem McDonald asked to remove item number 4, Financial Report, to the regular agenda for discussion. He then moved to approve the remaining items numbers 1,2, and 3 of the consent agenda as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR JUNE, 2010.

Mayor Pro Tem McDonald requested clarification on the franchise tax information contained in the monthly report and the information provided at the first budget workshop. An additional concern was the lack of information regarding airport hangar rental income. Staff agreed to respond to both these concerns once these items have been researched. With no further questions, Mayor Pro Tem McDonald moved to approve the financials as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

5. PROCLAMATION: BREAST FEEDING MONTH, AUGUST 2010.

Mayor Hortenstine presented a proclamation to Ms. Shantalyn-Danielle Jacobs with the Women, Infant and Child (WIC) program in recognition of August as Breast Feeding

Month.

6. PROCLAMATION: CORPORAL RICHARD ALLGOWER RECOGNITION OF SERVICE.

Council Member Gonzales assisted Mayor Hortenstine in presenting a proclamation to Corporal Richard Allgower, USMC, in honor of his record of military service to our country.

7. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: AUGUST, 2010.

Mayor Hortenstine presented a proclamation announcing National Night Out in the City of Taylor on August 3, 2010. Ms. Beth Wilkes, and Chief Straub with the Taylor Police Department, accepted the award.

8. PROCLAMATION: RECOGNITION OF KEVIN WIDMER AND TAYLOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS.

Mayor Hortenstine presented a proclamation to Mr. Kevin Widmer in recognition of his many hours of service to the local Special Olympics program.

9. RECOGNIZE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD.

Mr. Dunaway announced the recent award to the Finance Department for their achievement three years in a row. Rosemarie Dennis and Alice Benjiman accepted the award on behalf of the entire finance department.

10. CONSIDER RENEWING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE BENETEX GROUP.

Ms. Starla Hall, Director of Human Resources, presented a request to consider extending the contract with the BeneTex Group for consulting services regarding benefit programs. Ms. Sandra Quintanilla, a representative for BeneTex, was present to respond to any questions or concerns. Ms. Hall noted that with the assistance of this group the city was able to successfully negotiate a lower rate increase for city employee health benefits and ultimately saved over \$255,000 in annual costs.

Council Member Hill moved to approve the contract renewal with the BeneTex Group for employee health benefits at a cost of \$10,000 per year for a two year contract and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Ms. Hall presented a request to consider eliminating one of the existing health plans for employees. Currently, the city offers two options for health insurance both through Scott and White: a Standard Plan 20 HMO and a Consumer Choice 30 Plan. Due to the high number of claims at a rate of 124% loss ratio, Scott and White initially proposed a 12.7% increase for both plans. After much negotiation, the final proposed increase is 4.3% with all employees and retirees being moved to the Consumer Choice 30 Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem McDonald questioned the need to continue to offer a \$100 incentive to those employees opting out of the city health insurance plan. Staff will provide financial information related to taking this action during the next budget workshop.

Mayor Pro Tem McDonald moved to approve the Consumer Choice health insurance benefits as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2010-20 TO REZONE CITY PARKS AND TRAILS TO 'P' PARK ZONING.

Mr. John Elsdén, City Planner, made a request to the Mayor to reopen the Public Hearing continued from the July 8th council meeting. He stated that the only change made to the plan since the last meeting is the addition of a single parcel near the entrance to the Taylor Regional Park and Sports Complex. Mayor Pro Tem McDonald continued the previous discussion on zoning the county owned property immediately adjacent to the park. Staff indicated the Commissioner Morrison is not interested in moving forward at this time and is currently working with the Taylor ISD in planning future use for adjacent properties. Staff noted it would be possible to add additional properties at any time in the future.

Mayor Hortenstine declared the public hearing reopened; hearing no additional comments, the Mayor requested Mr. Hejl to read the caption and officially declared the ordinance introduced.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF ALL CITY OWNED PARKS AND TRAILS TO "P" PARK ZONING; TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGES ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

13. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2010-21 ESTABLISHING ZONING AND 2010-22 REGARDING FUTURE LAND USE PLAN FOR 2009 ANNEXED PROPERTIES.

Mr. Elsdén requested the Mayor continue the Public Hearing from the July 8th meeting for zoning and future land use of the most recently annexed properties. Mayor Pro Tem McDonald requested additional clarification regarding the property owned by Mr. Art Baisley. Staff explained that the current residential zoning does not hamper Mr. Baisley's ability to operate a business from his home and his request for a change in zoning is not warranted at this time. In the event Mr. Baisley wants to expand or develop a new business at this site he would have the opportunity to request a change in zoning at that time.

Mayor Hortenstine declared the public hearing reopened. Mr. Bo Brasfield provided comments regarding the planned zoning for a specific parcel owned by Mr. Federico Buentello. Mr. Buentello owns property on the NW corner of CR 400 and US 95 and is requesting M-2, heavy industrial zoning to operate a scrap metal recycling business. Mr. Elsdén provided the results of a phone survey of neighboring residents and stated the majority of those contacted are opposed to this type of development. Council expressed concern for moving forward with this request for a change in zoning and asked that these two ordinances be presented individually at the next council meeting. With no further comment, and in an effort to move this item forward Mayor Hortenstine asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the ordinances as presented with the understanding that the zoning will still be under consideration prior to any vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-21

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING TO ANNEXED AREAS AS SHOWN ON ORDINANCES 2009-33 AND 2009-34; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGES ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-22

AN ORDINANCE ADDING FUTURE LAND USES TO ANNEXED AREAS AND ADJACENT AREAS WITHIN TAYLOR'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AS SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE FUTURE LAND USE CHANGES ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

14. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES NORTHWEST OF TAYLOR ON THE EAST SIDE OF CR 101 AND EAST OF TAYLOR ON BOTH SIDES OF FM 619.

Mr. Elsdon presented a request to consider conducting a public hearing regarding the proposed annexation for this year. Mayor Hortenstine declared the public hearing open. Mr. Jesse Pospisil spoke on behalf of the SPJST Hall located on FM 619. His concerns were related to taxing districts and his 503 (c) non profit status. He already receives water and garbage service provided by the city. Mr. Dunaway assured him there would be no changes in school taxing districts and his non profit status would not be affected due to this annexation. Hearing no further comments, Mayor Hortenstine closed the Public Hearing.

15. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2010-29 APPROVING AN EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE.

Mr. Bob vanTil, Director of Community Development, presented a request to consider an agreement with the City of Pflugerville. He reported that the agreement has already been approved by the City of Pflugerville and there were no properties in question or being contested by either party. Hearing no additional comments, the Mayor requested Mr. Hejl to read the caption and officially declared the ordinance introduced.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-29

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF TAYLOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING A GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY FOR FUTURE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION EXPANSION BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS AND THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS.

16. CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO THE CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (CAPCOG) GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Mr. Dunaway presented a request to consider appointing two council members to the general assembly of the CAPCOG. Ms. Ella Jez, former Mayor Pro Tem, addressed the council emphasizing the importance of serving in this capacity and encouraged a council member to step forward and take her place. Council Member Gonzales accepted the

nomination and Mayor Pro Tem McDonald moved to approve the reappointment of Council Member Hill and to appoint Council Member Gonzales to the CAPCOG General Assembly. Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

17. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R10-15 AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH JP MORGAN CHASE BANK FOR PARTICIPATION IN A PROCUREMENT CARD PROGRAM.

Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director, presented a request to consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with a new financial institution to initiate a procurement purchasing program for city departments. This program would provide better accountability for individual department purchases and actually result in a discount or rebate based on total amount spent.

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

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code in order to meet with it's City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas authorize and allow such a closed meeting and which Rules conflict with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

- East Williamson County Higher Education Center

Mayor Hortenstine adjourned into closed session at 7:55 p.m.

19. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Hortenstine resumed the open meeting at 8:36 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during the Executive Session and there were no motions made to take action during the open session.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Hortenstine adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Rod Hortenstine, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk