The City Council of the City of Taylor met on July 25, 2013, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Jesse Ancira, Jr. declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Gonzales
Council Member Scott Green
Council Member Don Hill
Council Member Brandt Rydell

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

INVOCATION

Mr. Danny Thomas led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mr. John Nelson, 1510 W. Lake Drive, urged the Council to participate in the TEDC project to develop a Community Strategic Plan.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE MINUTES FOR JULY 11, 2013.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2013-10 GRANTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT THE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF CODES, RULES, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, ORDINANCES, AND STATUTES WITHIN THE CITY THAT PERTAIN TO FIRE AND FIRE SAFETY.

ORDINANCE 2013-10

ORDINANCE GRANTING THE TAYLOR FIRE DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF CODES, RULES, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, ORDINANCES, AND STATUTES WITHIN THE CITY THAT PERTAIN TO FIRE, FIRE SAFETY. FIRE PREVENTION, AND ISSUES THAT IMPACT FIRE AND FIRE SAFETY; PERMITTING THE TAYLOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE CITATIONS, SUMMONS, AND OTHER WRITS OR PROCESSES FOR ANY VIOLATIONS PERTAINING TO FIRE, FIRE PREVENTION, AND ISSUES THAT IMPACT FIRE AND FIRE SAFETY; PROVIDING SAVINGS AND REPEALER CLAUSES.

3. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A 380 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH JOHN JONES FOR THE RESTORATION OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH WEST CORNER OF W. 2ND AND NORTH MAIN STREETS.
4. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR JUNE, 2013.

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

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

5. CONSIDER RECEIVING QUARTERLY REPORT FROM THE TAYLOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
Mr. Thomas Martinez, President, Taylor Chamber of Commerce presented a report covering activities of the most recent quarter. Without further discussion Council Member Hill moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

6. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO FILL A VACANCY.
Ms. Brock presented a request to consider making an appointment to fill a vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission. One application was received from Mr. Ed Weiner who is currently serving on the Main Street Advisory Board. She stated that if approved, Mr. Weiner had agreed to resign from the Main Street Board.

Council Member Rydell moved to appoint Mr. Weiner to the Planning and Zoning Commission and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

7. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AGREEMENT WITH JMF MATERIALS, LLC AND OPAL PROPERTIES, LLC.
Mayor Ancira passed on this item and no discussion or action was taken.

8. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACQUISITION OF TAYLOR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 7TH STREET COMPLEX.
Mr. Dunaway introduced Mr. Les Edmonds with Komatsu Architecture who presented a plan to repurpose the 7th Street School complex. The plan was an update of an earlier one submitted when the same idea was previously addressed. Council Member Hill asked the Mayor if the group could adjourn into closed session under the Open Meetings Law, Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.072 to discuss the issue of acquiring this property further.

Mayor Ancira adjourned into Executive Session at 6:42 pm. The Council returned to open session at 6:50 pm and Mayor Ancira stated that no action or vote had been taken during closed session. Mr. Edmonds continued with his presentation. Council agreed to seek additional input from other interested parties and no other action was taken on this item.

9. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.
Mayor Ancira asked for any upcoming items of interest for future agendas. Items brought up included progress on the RFP for a city strategic plan; investigating if the TEEX proposal by

the TEDC could also include a separate one for the City; more budget information regarding the development of an in house street department; and the possibility of scheduling a Leadership Workshop for the public.

10. CONDUCT BUDGET WORKSHOP I.
Mr. Dunaway presented an overview of the proposed Budget and responded to questions from Council regarding specific items. Questions to be addressed at the next Budget Workshop include employee related topics, health insurance, new or frozen positions, some additional information from the Public Works.

(Mayor Ancira excused himself from the meeting at 8:52 pm to respond to a family related issue.)

11. CONSIDER APPROVING THE FINANCING OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT.
Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Director of Finance, presented a request to consider an agreement for the purchase and/or lease of capital equipment. The agreement from the vendor expires on July 31 and staff was hoping to take advantage of the price quote contained in the agreement. Council Member Green moved to authorize the City Manager to enter in the agreement as presented with Holman Capital for the amount of $328,124 and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.072 in order to deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
    - Disposition of property adjacent to the city cemetery.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales and council members retired to closed session at 9:03 pm.

13. CONSIDER ACTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Council returned to open session at 9:22 pm and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales stated that no action or vote was taken during the executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Chris Gonzales, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Susan Brock

Susan Brock, City Clerk