

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on July 14, 2009 at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Hortenstine declared a quorum and called the special workshop to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem Ella Pumphrey Jez
Council Member Christopher Gonzales
Council Member Donald Hill
Council Member John McDonald

City Manager, Jim Dunaway
City Attorney, Ted Hejl
City Clerk, Susan Brock

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER ACTION:

1. CONDUCT WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CURRENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND FUTURE NEEDS.

Mr. Dunaway announced the format of the meeting would address three main issues: a) additional funding for the Taylor Regional Park and Sports Complex (TRPSC), including shade structures; b) a partnership with the YMCA for a recreational center; and c) a general overview of capital improvement projects.

a) Mr. Casey Sledge provided Council with costs information on the TRPSC and remaining amenities that are still under consideration for funding. Mayor Pro Tem Jez moved to fund the ten ball field shade structures with \$29,912 from Parkland Dedication Fees and \$81,000 from the sale of parkland while working diligently towards the construction of a third concession/restroom **to be completed prior to the 2010 opening season** of Pop Warner and the remaining \$127,592.38 to be reimbursed through fundraising efforts for the park. Council Member McDonald seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

b) Citing an unknown budget situation and future financial concerns Mayor Pro Tem Jez moved to table any further discussion of the YMCA project until after budget and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE (Mayor Pro Tem Jez; Mayor Hortenstine; and Council Member Gonzales) and two voted NAY (Council Members McDonald and Hill). Motion passed.

Mayor Pro Tem Jez made a request for additional funding information on cemetery streets, additional improvements at Robinson Park, including a pavilion, splash pad, and more shade structures at the swimming pool.

Mr. Sledge requested permission to move forward with a plan for enhanced signage at the Taylor Regional Park and Sports Complex and Council agreed but would like to wait for results from the marketing team regarding branding to ensure the cohesiveness of the design. Mr. Dunaway reminded Council that future discussions will include debt issuance on these and future projects.

ADJOURN

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

Rod Hortenstine, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk