

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on July 11, 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
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Mr. Danny Thomas led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mr. Tom Mowdy, 1805 Carey Avenue, commented on the image of the city council and the seating of the City Manager on the same dais as the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. APPROVE MINUTES FOR JUNE 27, 2013.
2. CONSIDER ACCEPTING SEMI ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE REPORT.
3. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R13-14 UPDATE AND RENEW INVESTMENT POLICY TO ADD BROKERAGE FIRM.

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

PROCLAMATION

4. PROCLAMATION: AUGUST IS BREASTFEEDING AWARENESS MONTH.
Mayor Ancira presented a proclamation to Ms. Susan Castillo and Kristen Eastman with the Williamson City and County Health District recognizing August as Breastfeeding Awareness Month.

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

5. CONSIDER INTRODUCING 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.
Chief Ekiss presented a request to consider allowing the fire department personnel to ticket individuals or businesses that have violated an existing city ordinance when it pertains to fire related issues. Examples of instances where this may come in useful include dealing with firework issues, outdoor burning, or parking in fire lanes. He stressed their first course of action is focused on education and not ticketing violators.

Without further discussion Mayor Ancira asked Mr. Schroeder to introduce the ordinance as presented.

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.

6. CONSIDER OFFICIALLY ACCEPTING DONATION OF \$50,000 TO THE MOODY MUSEUM FROM THE NANCY MOODY ESTATE.

Mr. Dunaway reminded Council that Ms Susan Komandosky, President, Moody Museum Advisory Board, presented a check for \$50,000 at the last council meeting. This item is to formally accept the donation and ensure it is used for the care and maintenance or programs of the Museum.

Council Member Hill moved to authorize the city manager to formally accept a donation of \$50,000 from the Nancy Moody estate for uses as stated. Council Member Rydell seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

7. DISCUSS STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS.

Mr. Dunaway presented a preliminary review of the process to develop a strategic plan. Council discussed the possibility of having a city plan run parallel with the work being done by the TEDC and TEEX community strategic plan project and how it could benefit both parties. Staff was authorized to move forward with the process and to initiate a request for proposals.

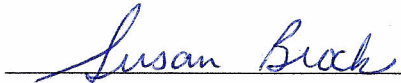
8. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Mayor Ancira asked for any upcoming items of interest for future agendas. Council Member Rydell asked for a midyear evaluation of the City Manager at the late August council meeting; Council Member Hill made a request to clarify the agreement with TxDOT regarding mowing of right of ways in the city limits; Mayor Hill also asked for a workshop or public meeting regarding the planning and permit process; and Mayor Ancira asked for more information regarding the issues related to allowing Food Trailers in the city.

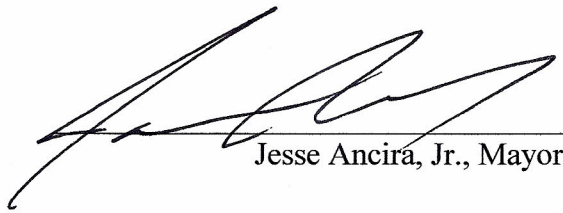
ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Ancira adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

ATTEST:



Susan Brock, City Clerk



Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor