The City Council of the City of Taylor met on June 25, 2015, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Jesse Ancira declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Gonzales	Isaac Turner, City Manager
Council Member Scott Green	Noel Bernal, Assistant City Manager
Council Member Don Hill	Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Council Member Brandt Rydell	Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Mr. Danny Thomas led the group in prayer. Mayor Ancira asked for a moment of silence in the memory of Hutto Police Sgt. Chris Kelley who lost his life earlier this month.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION

1. RECOGNITION OF THE TAYLOR FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE SUPPORT TEAM.
   Mayor Ancira and Chief Ekiss honored the dedicated volunteers that assist him and his firefighters in many different ways all year long.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mr. Matthew Temple encouraged Council and City Staff to continue to work towards an acceptable solution while determining the water rates including a closer look at water and wastewater impact fees. Mr. Ed Komandosky addressed the council as the Chair of the Street Committee and said he and his members were ready to assist in the next step of public education on the funding solutions currently under review.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. CONCUR WITH PRELIMNARY FINANCIALS FOR MAY, 2015.
3. CONSIDER APPROVING THE ASSIGNMENT OF A HOTEL ROAD CONTRACT WITH HARRY ZEPLIN TO SADYA CAPITAL, LLC.
4. APPROVE MINUTES FOR JUNE 11, 2015.

Item Number 3 was removed for further clarification. Council Member Rydell moved to approve items number 2 and 4 as presented and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

Mr. van Til provided clarification on Item Number 3 regarding the road for the hotel project. The original agreement provided that Mr. Zeplin would build the road but the agreement was amended to allow Mr. Patel to build the road with the hotel. Council Member Hill moved to approve Item Number 3 as presented and Council Member Green seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE; one vote NO (Gonzales). Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

5. RECEIVE PRESENTATION ON TRAFFIC EDUCATION, CALMING TECHNIQUES AND ENFORCEMENT.
Chief Henry Fluck presented an overview of types of traffic calming options including speed awareness and calming devices. Mr. Casey Sledge, consulting city engineer, provided details on the advantages and disadvantages of methods that require engineering and provided an estimate of costs. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales asked staff to investigate if it may be necessary to lower speeds on specific streets and Council Member Green requested more information on the cost to install additional signs if warranted. No action was taken on this item and staff was asked to bring back additional information on the speed recognition trailer device for further consideration.

6. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO TAYLOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Ms. Brock presented a request to Council to consider an appointment to the TEDC Board of Directors to replace Mr. Cecil Bowen who resigned earlier in the year. Mayor Ancira asked Council to consider making this appointment by nomination instead of direct appointment. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales nominated Mr. Gary Gola; Council Member Hill nominated Mr. John McDonald, and Council Member Rydell nominated Mr. Joe Burgess. As per Roberts Rules of Order, the last nomination was considered first. Mayor Ancira asked for a vote on the nomination of Mr. Burgess to the Board. VOTE: Three voted AYE; Two NO (Hill and Gonzales). Motion passed. Mr. Burgess was appointed to the TEDC Board to fill an unexpired term because of the resignation of Mr. Bowen.

7. DISCUSS COST OF SERVICES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER.
Mr. Robert Chambers presented an overview of proposed rates for both water and wastewater that would allow the city to recover the costs of providing those services. Council asked for more time to review the information and invited Mr. Chambers to continue the discussion at the July 23rd council meeting. No action was taken on this item.

8. RECEIVE PRESENTATION AND DICUSSION OF TRANSPORTATION USER FEE.
Mr. Sledge and staff from Freese and Nichols (Mike Nichols and Linda Huff) were on hand to provide an overview of the process and viability of creating a transportation user fee to provide funding to enhance the plan for a street maintenance and./or rehabilitation program. No action was taken on this item.

9. CONDUCT BUDGET WORKSHOP I FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016.
Mr. Turner and Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director, continued their presentation of the proposed budget and highlighted the new programs under consideration for funding including a 3 percent increase for staff salaries. More detail will be provided in the upcoming scheduled Budget Workshops.

10. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.
Mayor Ancira asked council members for any items in need of further discussion. His request was for an update on the fair streets and Council Member Hill asked for a report on all street projects including Jones and Burkett. Council Member Green expressed concern that a special meeting may be needed prior to the July 9th meeting in order to meet the needs of a potential employer. (A meeting was ultimately scheduled on July 2 at 4:30 pm to review the economic development agreement for Summit Custom Cabinets.)

(Mayor Ancira and council members retired to closed session at 7:58 pm.)

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Local Government Code, and the authority contained in Section 551.087 to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial and/or financial information on a business prospect that the City of Taylor, Texas, seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Taylor, Texas and with which the City of Taylor, Texas, is conducting economic development negotiations and/or deliberate the offer of financial or other incentives to the business prospect.
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12. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.
Mayor Ancira resumed the open meeting at 8:20 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Mayor Ancira declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Chris Gonzalez Sr on behalf of
Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:
Susan Brock
Susan Brock, City Clerk