

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
June 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Video Conference

In order to assist in maintaining the health of Council Members, staff and the public during COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was held by video conference.

Council Members attending via video: Mayor Brandt Rydell
Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Mayor Pro-Tem Gerald Anderson
Council Member Robert Garcia

Others attending: Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, Deputy City Clerk

Mayor Brandt Rydell conducted a roll call, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

BOARDS & COMMISSION PRESENTATION

1. Planning & Zoning Commission update.

LeLand Stevens- Chair of the Planning & Zoning Commission gave an update of the new growth in Taylor.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to accept the presentation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

There were no requests for citizen communication.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Approve minutes from the May 27, 2021 regular Council meeting.**
- 3. Concur with preliminary financials for April 2021.**
- 4. Consider Ordinance 2021-14 amending Ordinance 2009-18, decreasing the number of members on the Airport Advisory Board from 7 to 5.**
- 5. Consider Ordinance 2021-11 changing the current Future Land Use Plan (FLUP) designation for a parcel of land, consisting of approximately 2.941 acres, located at about 1,400 feet north of the intersection of Debus Drive and West 2nd Street and north of the end of the Cecilia Street right-of-way, from Single-Family to Multi-Family.**
- 6. Consider Approval of Auditing Services for the FY2021 Audit with Brooks Watson & Company.**
- 7. Consider Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Pflugerville Fire Department to participate in regional Assistance for Firefighters Grant for purpose of firefighter medical exams.**
- 8. Consider Resolution R21-21 regarding temporary street closures for the Texas Mamma Jamma Ride pending the lifting of crowd restrictions for special events due to COVID-19.**
- 9. Consider request from Main Street Advisory Board to have Cadence Sports provide alcoholic beverages and to allow its consumption throughout Heritage Square for the Texas Mamma Jamma Ride.**

10. **Consider Resolution R21-22 regarding temporary street closures for Main Street activities and events in 2021 pending the lifting of crowd restrictions for special events due to COVID-19.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

11. **Introduce Ordinance 2021-15, creating a no parking zone on Bull Run and repealing no parking zones on Burns Street and Huff Street.**

Chief Fluck gave a report concerning traffic safety and changes to make those streets safer.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-15

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NO PARKING ZONE ON BULL RUN, A STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, WITH THE NO PARKING ZONES LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF BULL RUN BETWEEN MALLARD LANE AND COTTON BOWL DRIVE AND REPEALING THE NO PARKING ZONES ON BURNS STREET BETWEEN DAVIS STREET AND HOOD STREET AND HUFF STREET BETWEEN DAVIS STREET AND HOOD STREET; PROVIDING FOR A FINE OR PENALTY OF THIS ORDINANCE AS A MISDEMEANOR SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$500.00 FOR EACH OFFENSE, EXCEPT HOWEVER, WHERE DIFFERENT PENALTY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY STATE LAW FOR SUCH OFFENSE, IN WHICH EVENT THE PENALTY SHALL BE FIXED BY STATE LAW AND IF DEEMED A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISIONAL LAW THAT GOVERNS FIRE SAFETY, ZONING, OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION, THE PENALTY SHALL NOT EXCEED THE SUM OF \$2,000.00 FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

This is the first reading. No action was taken.

12. **Introduce Ordinance 2021-16, amending Ordinance 2008-40 to authorize city manager to designate special public event parking areas in municipal parks.**

Chief Fluck gave a report concerning traffic safety and parking in the municipal parks to make special public events safer.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2007-4 AND SECTION 19.5-3(a) OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ALLOW THE CITY MANAGER THE AUTHORITY TO TEMPORARILY DESIGNATE CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN MUNICIPAL PARKS WHERE PARKING IS NORMALLY PROHIBITED AS

**SPECIAL PUBLIC EVENT PARKING AREAS; PROVIDING A PUBLICATION
CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE.**

This is the first reading. No action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

- 13. Receive presentation from the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) regarding a new on-demand transit service to be offered in Taylor.**

Tom Yantis- Development Services Director, and Dave Marsh-Director of CARTS gave a presentation on a new curb-to-curb transit service in Taylor.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to receive the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) update as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

- 14. Receive presentation on Water and Wastewater Rate Study.**

Jeff Wood-Finance Director, and Grady Reed- made a presentation on the rate study for Water and Wastewater.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to receive the Water and Wastewater Rate Study update with an expected rate increase as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

- 15. Consider Waste Connection rate adjustment effective October 1, 2021 and October 1, 2022.**

Jeff Wood-Finance Director discussed the rate adjustment by Waste Connection. City Staff and Waste Connections agreed that an increase of 3.4% for each of the next two fiscal years was appropriate, rather than a 6.8% increase.

No action taken at this time.

- 16. Consider approval of Ordinance 2021-17 to approve the refunding of existing debt.**

Jeff Wood- Finance Director, and Jennifer Ritter- Debt Advisor explained the next steps for the refunding of existing debt.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve Ordinance 2021-17 authorizing issuance of general obligation refunding bond, series 2021, and directing the City Manager and/or the Director of Finance to act as pricing agent. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

- 17. Consider Ordinance 2021-12, regarding zoning map amendment to the official zoning map to re-zone approximately 2.941 acres of Single-Family Residential Zoning District (R-1) to 2.941 acres of Multi-Family Residential Zoning District with a Residential Planned Development Overlay (MF-1/RPD), located at about 1,400 feet north of the intersection of Debus Drive and West 2nd Street and north of the end of the Cecilia Street right-of-way, from Single-Family to Multi-Family.**

Tom Yantis-Development Services Director the ordinance regarding zoning map amendment to the official zoning map.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to approve Ordinance 2021-12 zoning map amendment as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

18. Receive presentation and update regarding the proposed housing demonstration project of the Housing Stability Working Group.

Tom Yantis-Development Services Director presented an update regarding the proposed housing demonstration project of the Housing Stability Working Group

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to receive the proposed housing demonstration project of the Housing Stability Working Group update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

19. Receive State of the Department report for Communications.

Stacey Osborne Communications Director gave a report of the responsibilities, focus areas, and challenges of the Communications department.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the State of the Department report for Communications as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

20. Receive State of the Department report for Internal Services.

Lisa Thompson gave a report of the responsibilities, focus areas, and challenges of the Communications department.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the State of the Department report for Internal Services as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ariola. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

21. Consider approving requests for off premise temporary signs for special events.

Tom Yantis presented two requests for off premise temporary signs for special events for the Taylor Rodeo and the Chamber of Commerce Business Expo.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve the temporary, off-premise banners for the Taylor Rodeo temporary signage at the 10 different defined locations as presented between June 21, 2021 to July 19, 2021 and the Taylor Chamber of Commerce Business Expo banner across North Main Street between August 11, 2021 and September 17, 2021 and allow staff to approve the Chamber of Commerce banner locations once received. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Mayor Rydell adjourned the open session at 9:10 p.m. to go into closed session.

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.

- a. Project Brooke

Executive Session II. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code in order to meet with its 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.

- a. FERMA LLC et. Al. v. City of Taylor

22. Reconvene into open session and take any action.

Council reconvened at 10:05 p.m. and no action was taken.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.


Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lucretia Alvarez, Deputy City Clerk

