

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on June 9, 2011, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Donald Hill declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Jesse Ancira
Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member John McDonald
Council Member Chris Osborn

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

INVOCATION

Jeff Straub led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

No one came forward during this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES FOR MAY 26, 2011.
2. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R11-6 AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES FOR INVESTMENT AND BANK ACCOUNTS.

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

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTING ONE OR MORE DRAFT ILLUSTRATIVE REDISTRICTING PLANS FOR PUBLIC CONSIDERATION AND COMMENT.

Ms. Cindy Crosby with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado and Acosta asked the Mayor to adjourn into closed session to continue a discussion on the legal issues associated with the proposed redistricting plans.

(Mayor Hill expressed the need to adjourn Council into Executive Session II at 6:02 pm.)

10. 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.

- Legal issues associated with the City's redistricting obligations.

11. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Hill resumed the open meeting at 6:35 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during Executive Session.

Council Member McDonald moved to designate the draft illustrative Plan A for public comment and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON DESIGNATED ILLUSTRATIVE REDISTRICTING PLANS.

Ms. Crosby asked Council to consider setting a date to conduct a public hearing on the previously adopted illustrative plan. She will be conducting the hearing and said council members are welcome to attend to hear the comments but will not be asked to participate in the discussion. All comments will be recorded and presented to council at a later meeting.

Council Member Gonzales moved to set the public hearing date for June 30 at 6:00 pm in the Taylor Public Library Meeting Room and Council Member Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

5. CONFIRM REAPPOINTMENT OF LELAND ENOCHS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Ms. Starla Hall, Human Resources Director, presented a request to consider confirming the City Manager reappointment of Mr. Leland Enochs to the Civil Services Commission. Mr. Enochs has been on the commission since its inception and has expressed an interest in continuing to serve.

Council Member McDonald moved to confirm the reappointment of Mr. Leland Enochs to the Civil Service Commission for a three year term effective July 8 and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

6. CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2011-18 REPEALING ORDINANCE 76-14 REGARDING CITY LANDFILLS.

Mr. Straub presented a request to introduce an ordinance to repeal an earlier one from 1976 that established a protocol for citizens to gain access to the city landfill. This landfill is no longer in existence and this action will remove the ordinance from the city code of ordinances and eliminate any confusion regarding a city operated landfill.

With no further discussion Mayor Hill asked Mr. Hejl to introduce the Ordinance as presented.

ORDINANCE NO.2011-18

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 76-14 WHICH ORDINANCE
PRESCRIBED RATES AND CHARGES FOR USE OF CITY LANDFILLS,

SANITARY LANDFILLS AND DUMPS; PRESCRIBING SAVINGS AND
REPEALER CLAUSES;

7. CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR SLOAN STREET PROJECT.

Danny Thomas, Director of Public Works, presented the results of the request for sealed proposals for the Sloan Street Project. The project base bids included drainage from Second to Fourth Streets and an alternate bid extended that drainage from Fourth to Seventh Streets. Mr. Casey Sledge, consulting engineer, recommended the alternate bid as a way to extend drainage further north on an existing street when costs would be low as part of the street construction already in progress. He compared all required elements submitted including costs and recommended awarding the contract to Patin Construction based on the scoring results. Council Member Osborn questioned the recommendation and expressed his preference in awarding the contract to the lowest bidder. Mr. Hejl explained the difference in process between a sealed proposal and a regular bid proposal. He stated that the sealed proposal requires you to award the contract to the highest scoring proposal, which often may not be the lowest project cost amount. The lowest cost proposal was from Cash Construction who received the second lowest score due to a lack of required information being submitted with the proposal. Three other firms scored higher than Cash Construction.

Council Member McDonald moved to award the contract for Sloan Street to Patin Construction for the base bid not to exceed \$1,687,733 and Council Member Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted Aye; One vote No (Osborn). Motion passed.

8. CONSIDER EMERGENCY SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMSON COUNTY.

Chief Pat Ekiss presented an amended agreement with Williamson County for first responder services provided within the city limits of Taylor. He stated that the original agreement was for the Taylor Volunteer Fire Department (TVFD) to receive reimbursement from the county for services performed. With the recent formal separation between the TVFD and the city fire department it appears the city should also be receiving reimbursement for their services as well.

Council Member Gonzales moved to approve the agreement as presented and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

(Council adjourned into closed session at 7:26 p.m.)

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, 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.

- Project Venture
- Project Lone Star

11. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Hill resumed the open meeting at 8:45 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

With no further business or action Mayor Hill adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Donald Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk