

City of Taylor
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
June 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Rydell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Gerald Anderson
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Mayor Brandt Rydell

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Tom Yantis, Assistant City Manager
Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Dianna McLean, City Clerk

A MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

A. Juneteenth Day proclamation.

Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson read the proclamation and presented it to Jennifer Harris.

B. Flag Day proclamation.

Councilmember Drummond read the proclamation and presented it to Pat Shirk.

C. Taylor Pride Day proclamation.

Mayor Rydell read the proclamation and presented it to Denise Rodgers.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Yvonne Oude-Reimeril, Shane Allen, Spencer Ripple (donated his time to Shane Allen), Frankie Guardiole, Alfonso and Anthony Cavazos, Nick Ramos, Jose Orta, Judith Grissom, Denise Rodgers, Mary Castle

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve minutes from the May 16, 2023 special called Council meeting and the May 25, 2023 regular Council meeting.**
2. **Concur with preliminary financials for April 2023.**
3. **Consider Ordinance 2023-20, adopting updated roadway impact fees.**
4. **Consider Ordinance 2023-23, PZ-2023-1642, regarding a request to change the zoning designation from Light Industrial (M-1) to Manufactured Housing (MH) on approximately 0.080 acres of land, addressed as 205 S. Doak Street, more particularly described by Williamson Central Appraisal District R016533, being the North one-half (1/2) of Lot Number Two (2) in Block Number Thirty-One (31), Doak's Addition to the City of Taylor, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**
5. **Consider Ordinance 2023-24, PZ-2023-1646, regarding a request to change the zoning designation from Institutional (I) to Local Business (B-1) on approximately 3.59 acres of land, addressed as 2225 N. Main Street, more particularly described by Williamson Central Appraisal District Parcel R345014, part of and out of the John Pharrass Survey, Abstract No. 495, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**
6. **Consider approving Resolution R23-24, a resolution of the City Council of Taylor, Texas, authorizing application for a FEMA Public Assistance Grant; and authorizing the City**

Manager to act as the City's Executive Officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Public Assistance program.

7. **Recommendation to Award for Construction Contract for the Highland Drive Waterline Project, funded by CDBG.**

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.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

Item 12 was moved up on the agenda to accommodate guests.

12. **Consider City adopted events for remainder of 2023 calendar year.**

Tyler Bybee, Parks & Recreation Director – presented a list of city-funded events through the FY23 budget that are either solely performed by the city or work with a volunteer committee to assist in the hosting of the event. This list was drafted after the new Event Policy was adopted by Council at the May 25th meeting.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the list of 2023 city adopted special events as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Councilmember Ariola opposing.

8. **Receive update on Fiber installation project.**

This item was postponed.

9. **Consider appointments to the Council Compensation Committee and set the maximum number of meetings of the committee to three.**

Dianna McLean, City Clerk – At the May 25th meeting Council voted to create an ad-hoc committee and each Council member was to appoint one person to the committee. Staff requested clarification on the agendas for this committee. Consensus of Council was to livestream and record the meetings, and to have a Citizen Communication component on the agenda.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to appoint Jose Orta, Alex Allrich, Stacy Stork, Jorge Munoz, and Richard Stone to the Council Compensation Committee, and to limit the number of committee meetings to three. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **Consider Ordinance 2023-25 authorizing the issuance of the City of Taylor, Texas combination tax and revenue certificates of obligation, series 2023; levying an Ad Valorem tax and pledging certain surplus revenues in support of the certificates; approving a paying agent/registrar agreement and other agreements relating to the sale and issuance of the certificates; and ordaining other matters relating to the issuance of the certificates.**
Jeff Wood, Chief Financial Officer - ordinance is required to authorize the City to issue the Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023. This issuance is the formal process for obtaining interest-free funding from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Per Texas Government Code 1201.028. Approval of the ordinance can occur after the reading and at the same meeting.

The City Attorney read the caption of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-25

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023; LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX AND PLEDGING CERTAIN SURPLUS REVENUES IN SUPPORT OF THE CERTIFICATES; APPROVING A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT AND OTHER AGREEMENTS RELATING TO THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES; AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to adopt Ordinance 2023-25 as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider awarding contracts for mowing services.

Jim Gray, Public Works Director – received three bids, Abescape \$936,562.00, Dedicated Industrial \$709,964.00, and Heart of Texas Landscaping, the lowest bidder at \$542,201.00. These do not include mowing the cemetery.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to award the mowing services contract to Heart of Texas Landscaping and Irrigation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session items and adjourned into closed session at 7:03pm.

Executive Session I. 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. Cause No. 22-1443-CC2, City of Taylor, Texas, v. Prophet Capital Management LTD, a Texas Limited Partnership.
- b. Potential litigation related to employment matter.

12. Reconvene into open session and take any action.

Mayor Rydell reconvened into open session at 7:26pm. No action was taken.

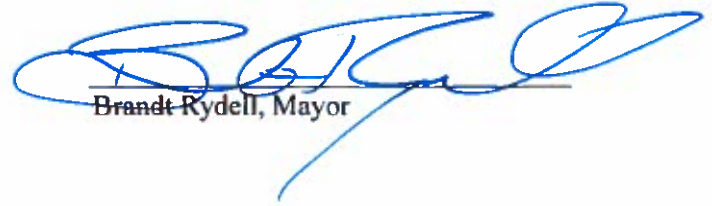
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ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:26p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna McLean, City Clerk