

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
May 27, 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
Dianna Barker, City Clerk

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

PROCLAMATIONS

1. **Resolution R21-20, National Dam Safety Awareness day – May 31st**
Councilmember Garcia read the resolution. James Clarno with Lower Brushy Creek WCID was present.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Katherine Ruiz – spoke with Mr. Yantis prior to meeting and received answers to her comments/questions.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. **Approve minutes from the May 10, 2021 special called City Council meeting and the May 13, 2021 regular City Council meeting.**
3. **Consider amending 380 Agreement with Lone Star Circle of Care regarding Project Headwaters and revitalization work at the West End Elementary.**
4. **Consider Ordinance 2021-13 amending the City of Taylor Code of Ordinances Chapter 25 - Streets and Sidewalks, Article VI. - Temporary Parklets Program to make the parklet program permanent.**
5. **Consider acceptance of subdivision infrastructure for the Grove at Bull Creek Phase 1.**
6. **Consider amending contract with Smith Contracting through Change Order to the 2019 Infrastructure Bond Street Reconstruction Project to construct drainage improvements associated with the 1st/Royal Drainage Improvements Project.**
7. **Consider an Interlocal Agreement with Williamson County regarding the City/County participation in the design and construction costs related to the CR 402 construction project.**

Councilmember Drummond requested to pull item 3.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to approve the consent agenda items 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7 as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

3. Consider amending 380 Agreement with Lone Star Circle of Care regarding Project Headwaters and revitalization work at the West End Elementary.

Councilmember Drummond stated he needed to recuse himself from voting on this item due to his wife being a staff member of Lone Star Circle of Care.

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to approve Consent item #3 as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried 4 to 0 via roll call vote with Councilmember Drummond abstaining.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

4. Introduce Ordinance 2021-14 amending Ordinance 2009-18, decreasing the number of members on the Airport Advisory Board from 7 to 5.

David Cornelius, Airport Director – due to the Airport Board having difficulties attracting and retaining active board members, creating a problem in achieving a quorum to conduct scheduled meetings, it is being requested that Ord 2009-18 be amended to reduce the number of members on the Board from 7 to 5.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2009-18 WHICH AMENDED ORDINANCE 2000-10, THE TAYLOR AIRPORT BOARD; AND REVERTING BACK TO A FIVE MEMBER BOARD AND CHANGING THE QUORUM OF THE BOARD FROM FOUR TO THREE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

This is the first reading. No action was taken.

5. Hold a public hearing and introduce 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.

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director - The applicant is proposing to amend the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Plan Map (FLUP) to change the designation of 2.941 acres from Single-Family to Multi-Family to allow for future multi-family development.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:25pm. With no one appearing the public hearing was closed at 6:26pm.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-11

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP DESIGNATION ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY 2.941 ACRES FROM SINGLE-FAMILY TO MULTI-FAMILY 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; MORE PARTICULARLY

DESCRIBED BY WILLIAMSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT AS PARCEL R019780; PART OF AND OUT OF THE WILLIAM R. WILLIAMS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 665, TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This is the first reading. No action was taken.

6. **Hold the public hearing and introduce 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 applicant is proposing to re-zone the subject property from Single-Family to Multi-Family to allow for future multi-family development. The current zoning of the subject property is Single-Family Residential Zoning District (R-1) which does not permit multi-family land uses.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:33pm. With no one appearing the public hearing was closed at 6:33pm.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-12

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS APPROXIMATELY 2.941 ACRES FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT (R-1) TO MULTI-FAMILY 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; MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT PARCEL R019780; PART OF AND OUT OF THE WILLIAM R. WILLIAMS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 665, TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This was the first reading. No action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

7. **Receive update on public health related matters and concerns pertaining to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).**

Allison Stewart, Williamson County and Cities Health District – gave a status update on the Coronavirus epidemic including incident calculations and vaccine coverage. County will move into Yellow Phase tomorrow, May 28th.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the Coronavirus public health update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

8. Discuss and consider changes to the City of Taylor phased in reopening plan.

Brian LaBorde, City Manager – due to the County's movement to Yellow Phase and soon to the Green Phase, staff is requesting to open all remaining public facilities to the public at 100% unconditional (City Hall, Police, Fire, Library, Public Works, etc.) including facilities for rental (Dickey Givens) and to allow for in-person meetings with Boards/Commissions including City Council to resume on or after Tuesday, July 6, 2021; essentially moving up to the green phase in accordance with the City's Phase-In Reopening Plan.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to move to the Green phase in accordance with the City's Phase-In Reopening Plan as presented effective on or after July 6, 2021. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

9. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the use of bond funds for downtown streets.

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director, and Jacob Walker, HDR Engineering - The City issued bonds in 2013 for improvements to downtown streets. There were not specific projects identified for the use of these bond funds. The Main Street Advisory Board has made a recommendation for the use of these bond funds (approximately \$800,000) for the following projects in priority order until the funds are depleted:

1. Begin implementation of wayfinding sign plan
2. Implement landscape plan for downtown planting beds
3. Re-stripe downtown streets to maximize on-street parking
4. Implement incremental improvements on W. 2nd between Main and Talbot
5. Improvements to Porter Street linking to Amtrak Station

Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to use the remaining bond funds for the following projects in priority order until the funds are depleted.

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Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

10. Receive State of the Department report for Human Resources.

LaShon Gros, Human Resources Director – gave a presentation on the responsibilities, focus areas, and challenges of the HR department.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the Human Resources state of the department report as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

11. Receive State of the Department report for Finance/Utility Billing.

Jeff Wood, Finance Director – gave a presentation on the responsibilities and challenges of the Finance and Utility Billing departments.

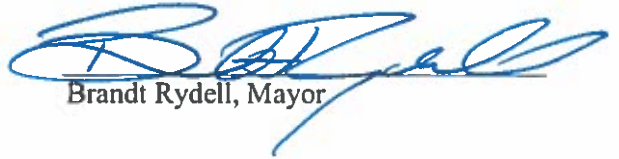
Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the Finance and Utility Billing state of the department report as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Due to technical difficulties, Mayor Rydell allowed Mr. Nellis to present his citizen comments at this time.

Glenn Nellis, Board member of Taylor Rodeo Association – requested the City allow the Association to place temporary roadside banners on city property for the 71st annual rodeo to be held July 15,16,17.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:51p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna Barker, City Clerk

