

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on May 26, 2016, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Jesse Ancira declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Pro Tem Brandt Rydell
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member Christine Lopez

Noel Bernal, Assistant City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION

Chief Pat Ekiss led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

1. RECOGNITION OF TAYLOR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS.
Council Member Lopez assisted in handing out certificates to TISD students who were recognized by the entire Council for their achievements.
2. RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES FROM TAYLOR CITIZENS FIRE ACADEMY.
Council Member Gonzales assisted Chief Ekiss in recognizing those citizens who completed the twelve week program on fire tactics and life saving basics. Graduates included Peter Bryan, Misti Conditt, Mary Jane Etheredge, Willie Gore, Justin Meyer and BJ Yerby.
3. RECOGNITION BLADE SOLAR LIGHTING PROJECT IN BULL BRANCH PARK.
Mayor Pro Tem Rydell presented a certificate of recognition to the BLADE organization for their recent efforts to provide solar lighting in the pavilion at Bull Branch Park.
4. RECEIVE PRESENTATION OF GRANT AWARD FROM NATIONAL HUMANE SOCIETY FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ANIMAL SHELTER.
Council Member Garcia was on hand to assist the Animal Control staff and Police Department in receiving a grant award in the amount of \$12,000 from Ms. Katie Jarl with the National Humane Society for the Animal Shelter.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Mr. Angel Ramirez, 408 Branch Street, expressed concern regarding what measures were being taken to make our parks safer, particularly Murphy Park.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2016-04 AMENDING SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE NO. 2001-16 ADOPTED APRIL 4, 2001, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED AND AS FURTHER AMENDED HEREIN; THIS ORDINANCE RESTATES THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE WITH ALL AMENDMENTS INCLUDING THE AMENDMENTS ADOPTED BY THIS

ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE, EXCEPT WHERE A DIFFERENT PENALTY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY STATE LAW FOR SUCH OFFENSE, OR FOR ANY VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OR REGULATION WHICH GOVERNS FIRE SAFETY, ZONING, OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION, INCLUDING DUMPING OF REFUSE WHICH SHALL BE PUNISHED BY PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, AND PUBLICATION CLAUSES.

6. CONCUR WITH PRELIMINARY FINANCIALS FOR APRIL, 2016
7. APPROVE MINUTES FOR MAY 12, 2016 AND MAY 17, 2016.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

8. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2016-08 REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR CONVENIENCE STORE LOCATED AT 619 N. MAIN STREET.

Ms. Ashley Lumpkin, Director of Planning and Development Services, presented a request to consider granting a special permit to allow the current owner to rezone the small retail business to a convenience store who will also sell beer and wine. Mayor Ancira declared the Public Hearing open; hearing no comments, the hearing was closed and Mr. Hejl read the caption and declared it introduced.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-08

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS TAYLOR CITY OF, BLOCK 33, LOT 3; ALSO KNOWN AS 619 N. MAIN STREET, TAYLOR TEXAS WILLIAMSON COUNTY TEXAS FOR A CONVENIENCE STORE; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE SPECIFIC USE PERMIT ADOPTED HEREIN.

9. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 2016-09 ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR WASTE HAULING AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

Mr. Bernal presented a request to consider developing a policy for the liquid waste haulers to continue to use the wastewater facility. Mr. Dan Hejl with Hejl and Associates presented the details of the program that ensures the City will avoid potential penalties by not allowing unauthorized haulers and to give businesses the opportunity to use the facility for a cost recovery fee and discourage illegal dumping of these liquid wastes. Mayor Ancira declared the Public Hearing open; hearing no comments the hearing was closed and Mr. Hejl introduced the ordinance as presented.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS ALLOWING INDIRECT DISCHARGES OF HAULED DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WASTES TO THE PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS (POTW) OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE, EXCEPT WHERE A DIFFERENT PENALTY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY STATE LAW FOR SUCH OFFENSE, OR FOR ANY VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OR REGULATION WHICH GOVERNS FIRE SAFETY, ZONING, OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION, INCLUDING DUMPING OF REFUSE WHICH SHALL BE PUNISHED BY PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, AND PUBLICATION CLAUSES.

REGULAR AGENDA: REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

10. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2016-10 TO AMEND THE FEE ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE THE TRANSPORTATION USER FEE.

Ms. Rosemarie Dennis, Finance Director presented an opportunity to continue the discussion on the Transportation User Fee. Mr. Casey Sledge, consulting city engineer, presented an overview of the process to determine the appropriate fees for both residential and commercial properties. Mr. Gary Gola presented additional information on the parcel method versus business method for assigning fees to commercial properties.

Mayor Pro Tem Rydell moved to approve Ordinance 2016-10 with the parcel method as presented and Mayor Ancira seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. RECEIVE QUARTERLY REPORT FROM TAYLOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Ms. Tia Stone, President of the Taylor Chamber of Commerce, presented a report on chamber activities from January through March of this year. Council Member Lopez moved to accept the report as presented and Council Member Garcia seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER BID AWARD FOR MAIN STREET TRAIL PROJECT.

Mr. Mike DeVito, Recreation Superintendent, presented a request for Council to awarding the bid for construction of a pedestrian walkway on Main Street and Lake Drive. This project is funded by a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Transportation Enhancement Program. Mr. Grayson Cox with KSA stated that two public hearings have already been held and more will be scheduled as the project proceeds.

Mayor Pro Tem Rydell moved to award the bid to Patin Construction for \$1,507,709.05 contingent on approval from TxDOT. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER STRUCTURE OF THE TAYLOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TEDC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Mayor Ancira stated that he has been discussing the possibility of changes to the TEDC Board with Mr. Hejl and that he has also had discussions with Mr. Mark Thomas, President, TEDC. Council members discussed the current board makeup and agreed that Council Member Lopez would replace Mr. Green as the Council representative and that they would also bring back this item for continued discussions at future meetings.

14. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESCHEDULE OF SELECTED FUTURE MEETING DATES.

Ms. Brock presented information regarding future conflicts of regular meeting dates and suggested alternative dates for the Budget Workshops. Mayor Pro Tem Rydell moved to set the council meetings for June and July as follows: June 9, June 30, July 21, and July 28 with a special meeting on June 15 for Council to hold a Strategic Plan Update. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion. VOTE: Five voted AYE. Motion passed.

15. CONSIDER PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Mayor Ancira asked council members for any items in need of further discussion. He added parks safety concerns. Council Members Garcia and Gonzales requested an opportunity to readdress the TUF property assessment at some point and Council Member Gonzales would like to bring back the TEDC Board for discussion in November prior to the appointment process in January.

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

16. 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 551.072 to discuss or deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

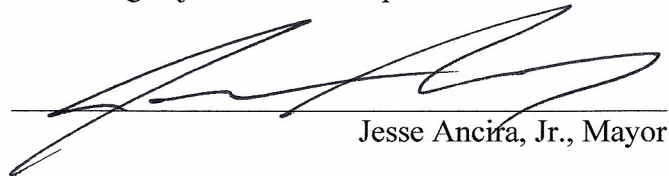
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17. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Ancira resumed the open meeting at 8:19 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken during either Executive Session.

ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Ancira declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.



Jesse Ancira, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Brock, City Clerk