

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
June 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Council Member Dwayne Ariola
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Mayor Pro Tem Christine Lopez

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Assistant City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Dianna Barker, City Clerk

INVOCATION - Isaac Turner gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Proclamation Declaring Taylor a Hidden Heroes City
Council Member Garcia presented the proclamation to a representative of Hidden Heroes.
2. Recognition of Apostolic Pentecostal Fellowship of Churches Annual Convention
Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez presented the recognition to the pastor and members of the Taylor Apostolic Pentecostal Fellowship Church.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Gloria Powers, manager of Grace Place Apartments, stated Old Granger road is in bad shape and needs to be redone, not just patched. Mrs. Powers submitted a petition with 200 signatures supporting this request.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Consider approving First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for Automatic Aid Assistance for Fire Department Services between the City of Taylor, Texas and the Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 3.
4. Consider Extending Auditing Service For ONE (1) Year with Brooks Watson & Company
5. Approve minutes for May 24, 2018 and June 7, 2018.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

6. Review, discuss and take any action on Ordinance 2018-09 amending Ordinance No. 01-03-94 regarding Open Containers in the City of Taylor, Texas
Staff comments: Ted Hejl and Mike Elabarger

Owners within the Central Business District area have requested to make it legal and allow purchasers of alcoholic beverages to leave the buildings/properties of those establishments with the beverage and consume the beverage within defined areas immediately adjacent the establishment that are technically within the public streets and right-of-ways. This ordinance amends Ordinance 01-03-94 adopted March 22, 1994. Public hearing and first reading were conducted on June 7, 2018. Nothing changed from the first reading. An application for businesses to allow this activity has been drafted and is ready.

J.P. Gins, 1417 Howard St. – spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Motion was made by Council Member Ariola to approve Ordinance No. 2018-09 as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Receive update on Robinson Park pools and consider repairs.

Staff comments: Jeffery Jenkins

Williamson County and Cities Health District (WCCHD) staff conducted an assessment of the pool. WCCHD identified 20 items that may need further review and/or repair and may need to be added to the commercial swim estimate. This is a preliminary assessment and is not guaranteed to remain as is in the future. Staff recommends reviewing the options and determining a course of action. At this time council does not want to make the recommended repairs due to it being so late in the swim season and will discuss this issue further in the upcoming strategic plan session.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to accept the update. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Turner introduced Mr. Foos as the new Parks & Recreation Director.

8. Review Bid Packet for street maintenance

Staff comments: Jim Gray / Jacob Walker

HDR has reviewed the methodologies used to rank streets, reevaluated street scores through site visits, identified maintenance strategies, and redeveloped the bid package with current specifications and front end contract documents. 2.9 miles of streets have been identified for repair. Jacob Walker with HDR gave a presentation giving a program overview of recommended street maintenance. Staff recommends approval of the 2018 Street Maintenance Program and proceed with soliciting bids from contractors to perform recommended maintenance work.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez to approve the 2018 street maintenance program and proceed with bid solicitation with the modifications discussed for the downtown streets. Motion was seconded by Council Member Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

Council took a break at 7:50. Reconvened at 7:55.

9. Discussion and Possible Action on Adjusting Cemetery Fees

Staff comments: Jim Gray

The current Cemetery fees do not cover operating expenses. Staff feels rate increases are required if the City wishes the Cemetery to cover expenses and recommends a 70% increase for plot purchases.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez to accept the cemetery report as presented and incorporate the rate increase as part of the upcoming budget process. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Continue budget discussion on Capital Improvement Programs (CIP), Part 2.

Staff comments: Rosemarie Dennis

Mr. Turner asked council to keep in mind three considerations/notations; 1) are these projects the ones we want to consider, 2) keep in mind 2 are already funded, and 3) does council want to pay as you go or bond fund for funding strategies for drainage and transportation user fee rebuild and utility. Staff presented a presentation on current CIP. Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez requested adding restroom, lighting, and concession stand at the ball field. Entire council would like to see shade structures in all the parks. Council Member Garcia would like to see animal shelter discussion, splash pad in Bull Branch area, create a dog park in Murphy Park, getting the Fire Department a 2nd set of bunker gear, and completing sidewalk at Bull Branch. No action was taken.

11. Present to City Council the Proposed (working) FY 2018/2019 Budget.

Staff comments: Rosemarie Dennis

Budget notebooks will be delivered to council tomorrow.

12. Consideration and Possible Action on Funding and Extension for HDR General Services Contract

Staff comments: Kelly Kaatz / Jim Gray

HDR Engineering, Inc. was initially contracted for City Engineering services for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 on April 18, 2018. Due to HDR being assigned a number of individual Capital Improvement Projects at various stages of completion, an amendment to the current contract is needed. Staff recommends approval and authorization of the City Manager to amend the existing contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$160,000 for services through July 31, 2018.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to amend the current contract with HDR for an amount not to exceed \$160,000 for services through July 31, 2018. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Consideration and Possible Action on SCADA Bid Award for the Waste Water Treatment Plant

Staff comments: Kelly Kaatz / Jim Gray

HDR was assigned the WWTP SCADA project and reviewed the composite scoring summary and after scheduled interviews it was determined that the top ranked firm was Trac-n-Trol, Inc.

While Trac-n-Trol, Inc.'s bid price was higher than CompUSA, it is recommended that Trac-n-Trol, Inc.'s proposal represents the best value and meets the City's objectives. Staff recommends approval of award of the Mustang Creek WWTP SCADA Replacement Project to Trac-n-Trol, Inc. and authorization of the City Manager to enter into a contract with Trac-n-Trol, Inc. to perform the work. HDR has asked for additional \$35,000 for additional computers and equip for better automating and quicker responses.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to award the Mustang Creek WWTP SCADA replacement project to Trac-n-Trol, Inc. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Update on Mills Street and Cecelia Street Emergency Drainage Repairs

Staff comments: Jim Gray

This item is to inform the City Council that city staff was made aware of a failed storm drain within the Right of Way of Mills and Cecelia Street in late April. Emergency repair of the storm drain is needed in order to mitigate further undermining of the roadway for safety issues. City staff approached Smith Contracting for incorporation of a change order to the ongoing MDUS projects allowing incorporation of the Mills/Cecelia repair. The amount of the proposed construction change order #4 is \$95,194.25.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourned into Executive Session at 9:22.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. **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) Proposed wholesale water service agreement with the City of Thrall
 - b) Proposed Service Area exchange agreement with the City of Thrall
 - c) Cause No. 12-0200-C26 in the Williamson County District Court (City of Thrall vs Noack WSC).

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.

Discuss Annexation Development Agreement.

Executive Session III. 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.

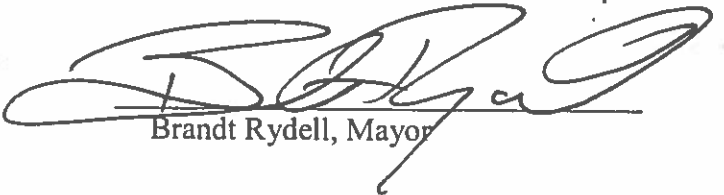
Reconvene into Regular Session at 10:16pm

Motion was made by Council Member Ariola to approve the second addendum to the settlement agreement, the Wholesale Water Services agreement, and the Water Code 13.248 agreement. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken on Executive Session II or III.

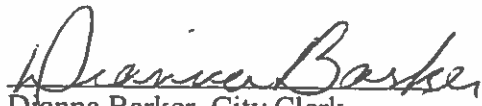
ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 10:37 p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dranna Barker, City Clerk