

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
September 27, 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

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Assistant City Manager
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Dianna Barker, City Clerk

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Christine Lopez

INVOCATION - Chief Ekiss gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

The following proclamations were read aloud.

1. **Fire Prevention Week Proclamation**
Council Member Garcia read the proclamation and presented it to Fire Chief Ekiss and Taylor Fire Fighters.
2. **National Night Out Proclamation**
Council Member Ariola read the proclamation and presented it to Police Chief Fluck and Beth Wilkes.
3. **National Friends of Libraries Week, Oct. 21-27 Proclamation**
Council Member Drummond read the proclamation and presented it to Karen Ellis, Library Director and several library staff members.
4. **Betty Thompson Proclamation**
Mayor Rydell read the proclamation and presented it to Betty Thompson.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Kelley Castelein, 422 Ferguson St. – has heard and is concerned about multiple women coming forward claiming sexual abuse and harassment at T. Don Hutto detention facility.

David Robishow, 619 Davis St, translated for Laura Monterrosa, Austin, Texas – asked for the Council's help with problems at T. Don Hutto detention facility.

Sophia Casini, Austin – visits the women at T. Don Hutto and is concerned about the abuse of women that is happening in the facility and wants the City of Taylor to help stop the abuse.

Emma Guevara, Austin – read a couple of letters from a detainee at T. Don Hutto detention facility describing her plight and gave a copy of letters from detainee to council.

Bethany Carson, Austin – concerned about treatment of women at T. Don Hutto and asked the City of Taylor to help with the problems by using regular oversight of the property, i.e. inspections and permitting.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **Concur with preliminary financials for August 2018**

6. **Approve minutes for September 13, 2018.**
7. **Consider Approving Ordinance No. 2018-16, Assignment Pay Ordinance**
8. **Consider Verizon Water Tower lease amendment**

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

9. **Conduct Public Hearing and consider introducing Ordinance 2018-10, to rezone 73.22 acres and 19.04 acres out of the W. J. Baker Survey, Abstract No. 65, located approximately 1,300 feet north of Mallard Lane, east and south of Northwest Carlos G. Parker Boulevard, and west of North Drive, from the Rural/Agricultural (R/A), Residential Single Family (R-1), and Local Business (B-1) Districts to a Residential Planned Development (R-PD) District, to be known as The Grove at Bull Creek.**

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director, stated this is the introduction of the rezoning ordinance and described the location, future land use, and the changes requested. Planning & Zoning Commission voted unanimously to approve the rezoning request recommends approval of the ordinance. David Peter, VP for WB Development, presented a Power Point presentation of the development. Council Member Ariola asked Mr. Peter and Mr. Yantis to make sure this development does not increase flooding to the downstream neighbors.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing. With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2018-10

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS BEING 92.26 ACRES IN THE W.J. BAKER SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 65, GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH AND EAST SIDE OF NW CARLOS G PARKER BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 1300 FEET NORTH OF MALLARD LANE AND WEST OF NORTH DRIVE, IN TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE FROM THE RURAL AGRICULTURAL (R/A), SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1), AND LOCAL BUSINESS (B-1) DISTRICTS TO A RESIDENTIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (RPD) DISTRICT, WITH A BASE DISTRICT OF SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1); AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

No action was taken.

10. **Consider introducing Ordinance 2018-17 to change the “in-lieu of” sidewalk fee.**

Jim Gray, Public Works Director, stated this ordinance is to amend the current fee schedule raising the Fee in Lieu of Sidewalk from \$3.00 per square foot of sidewalk to \$10.00 per square foot of sidewalk. Taylor’s current fee does not cover the cost for the City to install sidewalks for the bids that are being received.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2018-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-13 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 13 2018 BY CHANGING CERTAIN RATES AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY.

No action was taken.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

11. Receive monthly update on current Capital Improvement Projects (CIP).

Kelly Kaatz, HDR Engineering, gave a brief update on the ongoing current capital improvement projects.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

The Council adjourned for a break at 7:43 p.m.

The Council reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

12. Receive and consider the FY 2018 financial review and the FY 2018/2019 Hotel Occupancy Tax budget.

Nicole Powell, Dunagan Jack Agency stated the agency has reviewed the Chamber's financials and currently there are no adjustments that need to be made. Sandy Duncan gave a brief overview of the FY2018/2019 HOT budget. This is done each year per the agreement between the Chamber and the City.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to approve the Chamber of Commerce FY2018/2019 Hotel Occupancy Tax budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried 4 to 0.

13. Receive and consider the budget for Taylor Economic Development Corporation for FY 2018/2019.

Mark Thomas, TEDC President, gave a brief overview of the FY2018/2019 TEDC budget. This is done each year per the agreement between TEDC and the City.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to approve the TEDC's FY2018/2019 budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

14. Street Maintenance Update and Discussion.

Jim Gray, Public Works Director, provided the Council with a standard day-to-day activities and progress update on current street maintenance activity. With 5 employees in the Street Department they spend about 25% of their time on street repair. Council Member Garcia would like to see Public Works dedicate a certain amount of time to repairing pot holes instead of just doing one now and then, do many at one time (a pothole program).

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried 4 to 0.

15. Receive report on Accela software program.

Lisa Thompson, Internal Services Director, gave a brief report on the upgrade recently made to the Accela software. The Accela program is a software the city has available through the city's website where citizens can go to report issues/problems in the city. Council Member Garcia would like to see an "other" category added to the Streets module and a way to convert the data from I-Works into an Excel spreadsheet for easier reporting purposes. A request was made to better publicize and educate the citizens on the use of this software.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session items and adjourned to go into executive session at 9:19 p.m.

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. Annexation

Executive Session II. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code regarding personnel matters of a public officer or employee.


- a. Personnel Changes

The City Council reconvened into regular session at 10:09 p.m.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 10:09 p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna Barker, City Clerk