

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
October 25, 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 Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Mayor Pro Tem Christine Lopez

Isaac Turner, City Manager
Jeff Jenkins, Assistant City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Lucretia Alvarez, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Council Member Dwayne Ariola (arrived at 8:52 p.m.)

INVOCATION - Fire Chief Pat Ekiss gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

The following proclamations were read aloud.

1. **Recognition of the Taylor Czech Chorus and Czech History Month Proclamation**
Council Member Garcia read the recognition and the proclamation and presented it to members of the Taylor Czech Chorus.
2. **Community Planning Month proclamation**
Mayor Pro Tem Lopez read the proclamation and presented it to Don McAlister, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

DeeDee Yelverton, 1415 Howard Street-- in favor of keeping the animal shelter open for social and economic factors for our citizens.

Adrian Dahood-Fritz, 1211 Lexington Street-- in favor of keeping the animal shelter open to keep tax dollars local, and help citizens get food donations and pet advice.

Christine Reynolds, 914 Howard Street-- in favor of animal shelter Phase I and Phase II so rescue dogs can stay in Taylor and be identified quicker by their owners.

Melanie Ratuke, 5101 FM 619-- gathered signatures on a petition to turn in next week to City Clerk in favor of keeping the animal shelter in Taylor, and also that the needs of the animals are handled in a more timely manner in Taylor than in the county facility.

Joe Burgess, 1801 Oaklawn-- the Moody Museum has extra storage needs to be considered.

Geri Erickson, 1001 Vance-- T. Don Hutto is not in the best economic interest for Taylor, and hopes Taylor ISD can find other resources for money.

Elbia Cabrera, Austin-- was assaulted by a female guard at T. Don Hutto, a victim of sexual assault, her reports are not being turned over to the attorney her family has hired, and she was removed from her job.

Milly Barrantes O'Shea, 7709 Hardy Drive, Austin-- interpreter for Ms. Cabrera, California licensed therapist and trauma specialist, also presented a letter from another detainee who has not been paid in a month and can't call home.

Sofia Casini, 2301 E Cesar Chavez, Austin—Coordinator for Grassroots Leadership, T. Don Hutto is becoming nationally known as a center with no accountability, labor violations, abuse, and guards forced out who try to help.

Walter Robideaux, Taylor—translator for a previous detainee, here to raise awareness for those made to work in the detention center for low pay then removed from their duties, smallpox outbreaks and health hazards with possible health violations, asking council to consider doing health and safety inspections and enforcing Ordinance 10.

Bethany Carson, 2301 Cesar Chavez, Austin-- Grassroots Leadership, T. Don Hutto is attracting more national publicity, and Taylor could help with health and safety codes at the facility.

BOARDS & COMMISSION PRESENTATION

3. Update from Tree Advisory Board

Brian Lawrence, Vice-Chair of the Tree Advisory Board, gave a brief update regarding Arbor Day on November 3, and November is the best month to plant new trees. He spoke about the trees in Taylor's parks and answered questions about oak trees, oak wilt, and stated they usually plant trees that are oak wilt resistant.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez to receive the Tree Advisory Board update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4. Approve minutes for September 25, 2018 Special Called meeting and September 27, 2018 regular meeting.**
- 5. Consider 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.**
- 6. Consider Ordinance 2018-17 changing the "in-lieu of" sidewalk fee.**

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

Mayor Rydell recused himself for possible conflict of interest, and Mayor Pro Tem Lopez conducted the item.

- 7. Conduct Public Hearing and consider introducing Ordinance 2018-18, a Specific Use Permit request for a Bar/Tavern Use within a portion of 410 West 7th Street, in a Commercial Planned Development (C-PD) District.**

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director, described the specific use permit as applicable to a request for the new tavern to be in part of the Old Taylor High School and a portion of the grounds.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Britin Bostick spoke about the benefits of a craft beer tavern being in the new plans for the site development, and how the permit would allow an indoor-outdoor tavern area, and to remove the conditions in section #2 and #3 of the proposed ordinance.

Cliff Olle spoke wishing to comply with state alcoholic beverage laws and offer a new venue as a beer house without a restaurant.

Rick Budd of East Wilco 95, spoke clarifying section #1 and #3 of the proposed ordinance.

Janetta McCoy spoke in support of the beer house in the area as a neighborhood gathering place.

Don Strubel thanked the citizens for their support in hopes of the "Loose Screw" becoming a new beer house for Taylor.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez closed the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.

City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-18

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY BEING OLLE SUBDIVISION, BLOCK A, LOT 1, LOCATED GENERALLY AT 410 WEST SEVENTH STREET IN TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR A BAR/TAVERN USE IN THE COMMERCIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT C-PD; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE SPECIFIC USE PERMIT ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

No action was taken.

Mayor Rydell returned to the dais.

8. Conduct Public Hearing and consider introducing Ordinance 2018-19, to rezone Lot 18, Block 2, Carlow Addition, located at 105 Franklin Street, from the Light Industrial (M-1) District to the Local Business (B-1) District.

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director, described the rezoning for the proposed change.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. With no one speaking, the public hearing was closed at 7:52 p.m.

City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-19

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 18, BLOCK 2, CARLOW ADDITION, LOCATED AT 105 FRANKLIN STREET IN TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (M-1) TO LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (B-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.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

9. 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 Mayor Pro Tem Lopez to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 4 to 0.

10. Receive update on the progress of the Downtown Street project.

Jacob Walker, HDR Engineering, gave a brief update on the progress of the downtown street projects.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez. Motion carried 4 to 0.

11. Receive update on Givens Center project.

Kelly Kaatz, HDR Engineering, gave a brief update on the progress of the Givens Center project.

Motion was made by Council Member Drummond to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez. Motion carried 4 to 0.

12. Receive update on animal shelter holding facility from Connolly Architects.

Henry Fluck, Police Chief, gave a brief update and introduction of the animal shelter.

Larry Connolly, architect, presented graphic renderings of the existing and proposed site plan.

Council Member Dwayne Ariola arrived at 8:52 p.m.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 5 to 0.

13. Receive update on CDBG related project funding.

Judy Langford, Langford Community Management Services, and David Legere gave the update for the Community Development Block Grant program project funding.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez. Motion carried 5 to 0.

14. Receive final report and recommendations from the Task Force on Historic Preservation.

Nancci Phillips-Burgess gave the final report from the findings for the Task Force for Historic Preservation.

Joe Burgess, 1801 Oaklawn—the older historic buildings and property values should not go unprotected, just as ordinances sometimes need revisions to be effective.

Janetta McCoy, 819 Hackberry Street—we'd like to see new homes built on empty lots, but hope they will respect the scale, set back and roof pitch on new construction.

Frances Sorrow—quoted her late husband, “The only way to save Taylor’s future is to preserve the past.” We need protection now to have a legacy for our grandchildren.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to receive the update as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 5 to 0.

15. Discuss and consider renewal of the Publicity and Tourism Agreement (HOT agreement) with the Chamber of Commerce.

Larry Foos, Parks and Recreation Director and Tia Stone, Chamber of Commerce, answered questions regarding the HOT agreement.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to adopt the Publicity and Tourism agreement. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ariola. Motion carried 5 to 0.

16. Receive presentation from Lower Brushy Creek WCID regarding upcoming election on a 2 cent maintenance tax.

James Clarno, Lower Brushy Creek WCID, gave a presentation on the lakes and resources for the water system.

Tammy Keys, 2302 Meadow Lane—wish this presentation had been done a few weeks earlier before elections began.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lopez to receive the presentation from the WCID as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Drummond. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session items and adjourned to go into executive session at 11:19 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 12:06 a.m.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

With no further action Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 12:07 a.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lucretia Alvarez, Administrative Assistant

AFFIDAVIT
(City Council)

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON §

I, Brandt Rydell (Name) as a member of the City of Taylor City Council make this affidavit and hereby on oath state the following:

I, and/or a person or persons related to me, have a substantial interest in a business entity that would be peculiarly affected by a vote or decision of the Council as those terms are defined in Chapter 171, Local Government Code.

The business entity is: Cliff Olle/East Wilco 95, LLC
(Name)

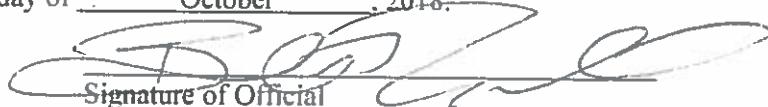
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Julie Rydell, spouse ("I" or name of relative & relationship) (have/has) a substantial interest for the following reasons (check all which are applicable):

- Ownership of 10% or more of the voting or shares of the business entity.
- Ownership of \$15,000 or more of the fair market value of the business entity.
- Funds received from the business entity exceed 10% of my (my, her, his) income for the previous year.
- Real property is involved and Julie (I, he, she) have an equitable or legal ownership with a fair market value of at least \$2,500.00.
- A relative of mine has a substantial interest in the business entity or property that would be affected by a decision of the public body of which I am a member.
- Other: Julie is employed by East Wilco 95, LLC and has received taxable income from East Wilco 95, LLC (or an affiliated entity controlled by the same principals) that exceeds \$2,500.00 during the preceding 12 month period.

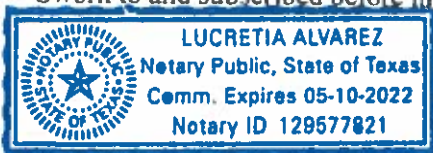
Upon filing of this affidavit with the City Secretary, I affirm that I will abstain from voting on any decision involving this business entity and from any further participation on this matter whatsoever.


Signed this 25th day of October, 2018.


Signature of Official
Mayor
Title

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared Brandt Rydell and on oath stated that the facts herein-above stated are true to the best of his (his/her) knowledge or belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 25th day of October, 2018.




Notary Public, State of Texas
Printed Name: Lucretia Alvarez
My Commission Expires: 5-10-2022

