

City of Taylor
Regular City Council Meeting
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
January 23, 2020 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:

Mayor Pro-Tem Dwayne Ariola
Council Member Robert Garcia
Council Member Mitch Drummond
Council Member Gerald Anderson

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney
Dianna Barker, City Clerk

INVOCATION – Father Alberto gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

1. **Taylor Jr. High and High School Cheerleaders recognition for qualifying for UCA National competition.**
Councilmember Garcia read and presented the Taylor Jr. High Cheerleaders with a recognition.
Councilmember Anderson read and presented the Taylor High School Cheerleaders with a recognition.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

- Jesse Ramos, 601 W. MLK Blvd. - concerned about condition of MLK Street; requested street get major repairs.
Lola Bell, 512 W. 2nd St. - concerned about the homelessness in Taylor and would like to be part of the solution to the problem; asked Council to find a place to house the homeless.

BOARDS & COMMISSION PRESENTATION

2. **Update from Main Street Advisory Board.**
Jan Harris, Main Street Manager – presented a brief presentation on the responsibilities of the Main Street Board, new businesses in downtown, restoration projects downtown, and Main Street special events.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. **Approve minutes from January 9, 2020.**
4. **Consider Ordinance 2020-01, designating additional staff to accept candidate applications in the absence of the City Clerk.**
5. **Consider Resolution R20-04 calling an election on May 2, 2020 to elect one Council Member At-Large.**
6. **Consider Resolution R20-05, calling an election on May 2, 2020 to consider various Charter amendments.**
7. **Approve Contract Amendment with Nationwide for Roth Amendment Adoption and Professional Investment Management Option.**
8. **Acceptance of Subdivision Infrastructure from the Avery Glen Subdivision, Phase 2.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

9. **Consider introducing Ordinance 2020-02, quarterly budget amendment.**
Jeff Wood, Finance Director – introduced Ordinance 2020-02 which amends the 1st quarter of FY2020 budget. This amendment reallocates funds to specific accounts to properly account for the spending of those funds.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-22 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2019, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020; BY AMENDING THE AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND OTHER CITY FUNDS THAT PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL OUTLAY AND BY CHANGING THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY.

This is the first reading. No action was taken.

10. **Hold a public hearing and consider introducing Ordinance 2020-03, re-zoning approximately 0.547 acres located at 1003 T.H. Johnson Drive.**

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director – Ordinance 2020-03 re-zones 1003 T.H. Johnson Dr. from R-1 to B-1 so as to continue an existing medical business in a residentially zoned district. Planning & Zoning Commission unanimously recommends denial of the rezoning.

Dr. Clyde Smith, 1003 T.H. Johnson Dr. – explained some procedures he does in his home. Dr. Smith is not interested in a zoning change but would prefer a variance to the ordinance to continue to provide medical care to the community out of his home.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing at 6:59pm.

Shari Walbrook, nurse for Dr. Smith - Spoke in favor of continuing to allow the business. With no one else appearing, the public hearing was closed at 7:03pm.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to accept the P&Z recommendation for disapproval of the rezoning of 1003 T.H. Johnson from R-1 to B-1. Motion seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Council took a break at 7:15pm.

Council reconvened at 7:21pm.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

11. Receive update on CARTS services in Taylor.

Dave Marsh, CARTS – gave a brief presentation on the transportation services provided by CARTS.

Motion was made by Councilmember Drummond to receive the CARTS update as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Receive 2019 Compensation Study update and analysis for the FY 2020-21 budget process.

Brian LaBorde, City Manager - Staff received some questions from an outside party on this issue that need to be researched.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to table this item to a subsequent meeting. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Update on Cemetery workplan.

Jim Gray, Public Works Director – gave a brief presentation on the Cemetery operations, maintenance, and funding.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the Cemetery update as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Update on existing and current Master Plans, Studies, and Models.

Tom Yantis, Development Services Director – gave a presentation to provide Council with an update on the status of several master planning projects that are currently underway or soon to start, to include the Comprehensive Plan, Water and Wastewater Master Plans, Drainage Master Plan, Water, Wastewater and Transportation Impact Fee Study, and Community Parks Master Plans.

Motion was made by Councilmember Anderson to receive the Master Plan updates as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Receive update on Valero quality of life projects and schedule from Place Designers.

Larry Foos, Parks & Recreation Director – gave a presentation on updating the Council on the Valero quality of life projects. Valero supports the completion of the 7 projects previously chosen by City Council.

Philip Wanke, Place Designers – gave a presentation on their area of focus of the 7 projects; restroom location at Robinson Park, and basketball lighting at Robinson Park and Skate Park.

Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to receive the Valero quality of life projects as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rydell read the executive session meeting announcement and adjourned into executive session at 8:28p.m.

Executive Session I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, to conduct deliberations regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

a. Justice Center

The Council reconvened into regular session at 8:53p.m.

No action taken.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 8:53p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna Barker, City Clerk