

**City of Taylor**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street**  
**October 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

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

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

Brian LaBorde, City Manager  
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager  
Mark Schroeder, Assistant City Attorney  
Dianna McLean, City Clerk

**INVOCATION / MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

1. **Municipal Court Week.**  
Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson read the proclamation and presented it to the Taylor Municipal Court staff.
2. **Williamson County 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Photography Exhibit.**  
David Valdez took photos of Council during the meeting for the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary photography exhibit for the Williamson Museum in Georgetown.
3. **Mayor Dan'I Moody Day.**  
Mayor Rydell read the proclamation and presented it to Joe Burgess.

**CITIZENS COMMUNICATION**

Sandra Wolff, 1511 Frink – concerned about protecting Taylor's natural resources and encouraged practicing conservation.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

4. **Approve minutes from the October 13, 2022 regular City Council meeting.**
5. **Consider Ordinance 2022-42 regarding PZ-2022-1565, a request to abandon North Access Lane Easement, an access easement located on Lot 1, Block A of the Parkway Plaza Subdivision, recorded under Document No. 2018016588 within the Official Public Records of Williamson County, Texas.**
6. **Consider renewal of Avaya Phone lease agreement.**

*Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.*

**PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES**

7. **Introduce Ord 2022-43 revising council compensation.**  
Jeff Jenkins, Deputy City Manager - City Council reviewed the possible process options and methods to revise Council compensation at the October 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Council approved using the Georgetown survey to revise the compensation and to set the revised compensation by ordinance. Council compensation of \$25/month was set in August 2006.

**Citizen Communication:**

Bill Albert – concerned about using Georgetown’s compensation survey as guide for Taylor’s Council compensation and encouraged Council to do a comparison to a city more the size of Taylor, and feels Council is overstepping their bounds with the proposed increase.

Earnest Ariola, Jr. – 1305 TH Johnson Dr. – concerned about using Georgetown’s compensation survey as a guide and suggested Council create a committee to review this.

Jackie Krueger, 2704 Kelly – against Council giving themselves a raise and suggested letting the citizens vote on this.

Council directed staff to revise the ordinance to reflect \$1,200.00/month for Council members, and \$1,500.00/month for the Mayor. Councilmember Ariola stated for the record that he is opposed to the rate proposal.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-43**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS SETTING COMPENSATION FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR AS PROVIDED UNDER THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR TO BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022.**

First reading. No action was taken.

Mayor Rydell adjourned the meeting for a break at 6:58p.m.

Mayor Rydell reconvened the meeting at 7:05p.m.

**REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION**

**8. Receive Grant Update from Langford Community Management Services.**

Jessica Daidone, Langford Community Management – gave a presentation on the City’s current projects and funding opportunities.

*Motion was made by Councilmember Ariola to receive the grant updated as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Drummond. Motion carried unanimously.*

**9. Consider granting special event co-sponsor status for the annual Dr. James L. Dickey Day Celebration sponsored by the Blackshear/O.L. Price Ex-Student Association.**

Jan Harris, Main Street Manager - The Blackshear/O.L. Price Ex-Students Association has requested City co-sponsor special event status for their annual Dr. James L. Dickey Day Celebration for the purpose of displaying banners on city property and promoting fund raising in order to rebuild Dr. Dickey’s home.

*Motion was made by Councilmember Garcia to grant the request for the City to co-sponsor the Dr. James L. Dickey Day celebration special event. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ariola. Motion carried unanimously.*

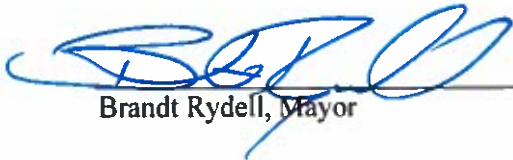
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ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Rydell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:17p.m.



Brandt Rydell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dianna McLean, City Clerk

