



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 5, 2018**

The Hutto City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, July 5, 2018, in the Hutto City Council Chamber, 401 W. Front Street, Hutto, TX 78634.

CALL SESSION TO ORDER

Mayor Gaul called the session to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members of the City Council present were Mayor Doug Gaul, Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines, Councilmember Scott Rose, Councilmember Nathan Killough, Councilmember Tim Jordan, Councilmember Patti Turner and Councilmember Terri Grimm.

Members of staff that were present were Odis Jones, City Manager; Bill Bingham, City Attorney; Helen Ramirez, Assistant City Manager; Byron Frankland, Chief of Police; Paul Hall, Asst. Chief of Police; Jessica Bullock, Director of Economic Development; Ashley Lumpkin, Executive Director of Business Development; Matt Rector, Executive Director of Public Works and Engineering; Eliska Padilla, Executive Director of Communications; Robert Sims, City Engineer; Anthony Host, Director of Construction, and Lisa Brown, City Secretary.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mike Litton, The Fellowship - Hutto

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gaul led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Terri Grimm thanked the City employees for a wonderful 4th of July celebration, and she is very excited about the future of the new park.

Mayor Gaul remarked on the large turnout at the event and what a great job the staff did.

Councilmember Patti Turner also expressed her thanks for a great job.

City Manager Odis Jones took the opportunity to recognize Kristi Robich and Sharon Parker for all their hard work in planning and organizing the 4th of July event.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

7A. Consideration and possible action approving the minutes of the June 21, 2018 City Council meeting.

Motion: Councilmember Killough made a motion to approve items the minutes from the June 21, 2018 Regular City Council meeting. Councilmember Grimm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Tim Jordan
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

ORDINANCES

8A. Consideration and action with respect to an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of City of Hutto, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018; Authorizing the Levy of an Ad Valorem Tax in support of the Bonds; Approving an Official Statement, a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement. A Purchase Agreement and An Escrow Agreement; Establishing Procedures for Selling and Delivery of the Bonds; And Authorizing Other Matters Related to the Bonds.

Dan Wegmiller explained to Council that by refinancing the bonds from the 2007 will allow the City to pay off some existing debt.

City Manager Odis Jones remarked that these bonds were purchased by the City some time ago. Making this adjustment and refinancing at a lower percentage rate will enable the City to make some money.

Motion: Councilmember Hines made a motion to approve the ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of City of Hutto, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018; Authorizing the Levy of an Ad Valorem Tax in support of the Bonds; Approving an Official Statement, a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement. A Purchase Agreement and

An Escrow Agreement; Establishing Procedures for Selling and Delivery of the Bonds; And Authorizing Other Matters Related to the Bonds. Councilmember Rose seconded the motion.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Tim Jordan
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

8B. Consideration and possible action on the second reading of an ordinance altering the terms and appointments to boards, commissions and corporations to be realigned to match terms of City Council member places.

Motion: Councilmember Killough made a motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Tim Jordan
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

8C. Consideration and public hearing and possible action on the first reading of an ordinance approving the Traffic Impact Fee (TIF) Ordinance.

Carl Springer and Matthew Garrett reviewed the TIF for Council.

City Manager Jones remarked that the plan was augmented based off conversations at the Council retreat to limit the plan to work within the city limits. There are 65 projects in the fee program.

A public hearing was opened at 7:16 p.m. There being no comments the hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

Mayor Pro-tem Hines wanted to know if the fee gets tacked on to the price of the house, are we over-pricing ourselves out of the market.

City Manager Jones stated we are still well below what developers are paying in the market. Even if aligned with other markets we are still below. He believes home buyers will pay for a solid master planned community. Developers will be building 7,000 homes in Hutto and they know they will have to pay along the way. Designed in a way that existing residents will not have to pay.

Councilmember Grimm estimated if a buyer takes out a 30 year mortgage it averages out to about \$3.00 a month to the homeowner.

City Manager Jones – the TIF take the burden off the City who financed the debt through bonds.

Motion: Councilmember Killough made a motion to approve the first reading of the ordinance to approve the Traffic Impact Fee at a rate of \$1,961 per single family home. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
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Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Tim Jordan
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

RESOLUTIONS

9A. Consideration and possible action on the proposed City of Hutto Five Year 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

The Capital Improvement Plan was presented to the Council by the City Engineer, Robert Sims.

Planning and Zoning Commissioner Steven Harris addressed the Council and advised them that the CIP had been presented to them at the July 3, 2018 P&Z meeting and was approved unanimously.

Councilmember Nate Killough wanted to know if there was anything left out of the plan that the Council needed to address.

Commissioner Harris stated that CR 137 was not high on the list but would need to be addressed, but our jurisdiction ends at the bridge. Drainage, but that will be in the budget and not part of the CIP.

Councilmember Jordan mentioned the issue of dumping street water in the Gainer Ditch in the Legends of Hutto subdivision.

Chief Frankland reviewed the renovation plans for the current City Hall building once the new City Hall is complete. The plan is to convert the council chambers into a class room with plans to become a certified TCOLE training center. Future plans also include building a Communication Center for dispatching 911 calls.

Councilmember Rose wanted to know if the ESD would fall under our jurisdiction – the Chief remarked that conversation has not yet been had, but will in the future.

Councilmember Rose remarked that it would make sense to include the ESD in our dispatch system and wants to be sure that happens.

Mr. Sims discussed the rehab of the ground storage tank at Shiloh. The new tank will be a welded tank that is supposed to have a service life of 50 years if properly maintained.

Mayor Pro-tem Hines stated he was not yet ready to vote on the CIP and wanted more time. Asked if it could be tabled to the next regular meeting.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to table the vote on the CIP until the next regular meeting on July 19, 2018. Councilmember Rose seconded the amendment.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Tim Jordan
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

10A. Presentation of proposed goals supporting the city-wide objectives and strategic focus areas for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Eliska Padilla reviewed the strategic goals for the Council and Staff, as discussed at the Council retreat, for the coming year 2018-2019.

10B. Update on construction at Innovation Business Park and Hutto Park on Brushy Creek.

Anthony Host, Director of Construction provided an update on Innovation Business Park- the project is 105 days behind schedule and is incurring liquid damages of \$1500.00 per day.

City Manager Jones remarked the delays are due to 1) the Army Corps of Engineers and FEMA; and 2) the contractor is having problems with staffing levels.

Mr. Host also remarked the event at Hutto Park the night before was a spectacular event due to the Parks Department, Public Works and the Event Staff. He stated the roads are done, water is done, they are ready to go with the ponds and will be installing some water features. Oncor has the poles in for electric. All should be ready and complete in time for KokeFest.

There was also discussion regarding proposed changes to the design of the amphitheater stage that the EDC is willing to fund.

Councilmember Rose wanted to know if we had a contract.

Councilmember Killough stated we already had a contract and wanted to know why the EDC is proposing a change.

City Manager Jones stated the contract allows for the City to enhance the structure.

Dan Thornton, Vice Chair of the EDC Board was present and stated the EDC is willing to contribute up to \$585,000.00 to build an 80' x 50' stage with 25' wings. This improved structure will allow the City to bring in acts that are a bigger draw and thereby creating more revenue.

Council recessed for Executive Session at 9:09 p.m. and reconvened at 11:29 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 11A. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074, deliberations regarding personnel matters, as it relates to City Council's Boards and Commissions
- 11B. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, consultation with attorney regarding public safety.
- 11C. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, consultation with attorney regarding negotiations with the Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce.
- 11D. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, consultation with attorney regarding waste transfer station.

ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action taken in the Executive Session.

The City Secretary was advised that Mayor Pro-tem recused himself from the discussion pertaining to Item 11B during the Executive Session.

12A. Consideration and possible action relating to City Council's Boards and Commissions.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to appoint Councilmember Tim Jordan to the Economic Development Board. Councilmember Grimm seconded the motion.

Vote: Mayor Doug Gaul
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Action: The motion passed 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

ADJOURNMENT

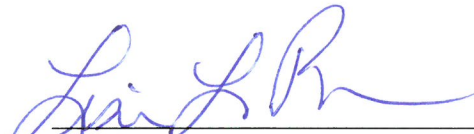
There being no further business to be heard, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

CITY OF HUTTO



Doug Gaul, Mayor

APPROVED:



Lisa L. Brown, City Secretary