



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 3, 2018**

The Hutto City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, May 3, 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, and Councilmember Terri Grimm, and Councilmember Lucio Valdez.

Members of staff that were present were Odis Jones, City Manager; Mike Shaunessy, City Attorney; Helen Ramirez, Assistant City Manager; Bryon Frankland, Chief of Police; Jessica Bullock, Director of Economic Development; Eliska Padilla, Executive Director of Communications; Reena O'Brien, Director of Communications; Anthony Emadi, Chief Financial Officer; David Magaña, Executive Director of Engineering and Public Works; Kristi Robich, Events Manager; Sharon Parker, Assistant Events Manager; Anthony Host, Director of Construction; Ashley Lumpkin, Executive Director of Business Development and Planning; and Lisa Brown, City Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Gaul presented a proclamation declaring May Motorcycle Safety Month to members of the Calaveras and Crossroads Capital Motorcycle Clubs. Weyman "Coop" Cooper spoke for a few minutes regarding road safety awareness for drivers around motorcycles.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of people across the state and nation; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles are a common and economical means of transportation that reduces fuel consumption and road wear, and contributes in a significant way to the relief of traffic and parking congestion; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Motorcycle Safety Foundation have named May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month to encourage all highway users to unite in the safe sharing of roadways throughout the City of Hutto, Williamson County and Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hutto, wishes to promote the safety campaign of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in their effort to ensure the safety and well being of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Doug Gaul, Mayor of the City of Hutto, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2018 as

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Gaul also presented a proclamation declaring May as Historic Preservation Month to Kristi Robich, Sharon Parker and Jessica Bullock.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, "This. Place. Matters." is the theme for National Preservation Month 2018, co-sponsored by the Hutto Historic Preservation Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation

NOW THEREFORE; I, DOUG GAUL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HUTTO, do hereby proclaim May, 2018 as

NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

in Hutto and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of recognizing and participating in this special observance.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Gaul wished to express his thanks to Kristi Robich and Sharon Parker for their efforts in putting on a very successful Sunset Block Party. Because of their efforts there was a tremendous turnout. He is looking for to the next one in May.

Councilman Lucio Valdez wanted to thank the Council and the citizens of Hutto for their support during his tenure on the Council.

Councilwoman Terri Grimm stated that she never wants to have to experience a day like yesterday where she observed an entire police force that was broken at the loss of a fellow officer. She wished to express her support and gratitude to the men and women of the Hutto Police and Fire departments, and she will fight to ensure both departments have all the equipment and resources they need to perform their duties.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 8A. Open and conduct the first public hearing regarding the proposed annexation of the Pollard Tracts, 65.925 acres, more or less, of land, out of the William Gatlin Survey, Abstract No. 271, located on CR 137.

Ashley Lumpkin presented the the Pollard Tracts for annexation. The public hearing is the second step towards annexation.

Mayor Gaul opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m. and there being no public comments closed the hearing at 7:14 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 9A. Consideration and possible action on the meeting minutes for the April 12, 2018 City Council and Economic Development Corporation Board Meeting, April 16, 2018 Special Called City Council Meeting, April 18, 2018 Special Called City Council Meeting, April 19, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting, and amended minutes from March 15, 2018.
- 9B. Consideration and possible action on a resolution approving a Texas Local Gov't Code Chapter 380 agreement for JRS Company, Inc.

Motion: Councilmember Hines made a motion to pull 9B from the consent agenda. Councilmember Grim seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion carried with 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

9C. Reconsideration and possible action on a resolution approving the proposed Co-Op District Preliminary Plat, 28.73 acres, more or less, of land, seven non-residential lots, located on US 79 West.

9D. Reconsideration and possible action on a resolution approving the proposed Co-Op District Final Plat, 28.73 acres, more or less, of land, seven non-residential lots, located on US 79 West.

9E. Consideration and possible action on a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Development Agreement by the City of Hutto for the development of the Mustang Creek Project.

Motion: Councilmember Hines made a motion to accept Items 9A, and 9C through 9E as presented. Councilmember Grimm seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion carried with 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

ORDINANCES

10A. Consideration of a public hearing and possible action on the first reading of an ordinance approving the right-of-way vacation of Short Street, a 50-foot Right-of-Way,

approximately (0.4099 acres) 17,796 square feet in area, located adjacent to the Co-Op District development site on US 79 West.

Helen Ramirez, informed the Council this a proposed 50-foot right-of-way vacation of one of the streets need to for access and parking for the Co-Op development.

Councilwoman Grimm asked if the owners of Wag-a-Bag have expressed any concerns regarding access to their property. Ms. Ramirez advised her the City and MA Partners have been working with the owner of Wag-A-Bag on a solution to their egress issues. The developer, Bob Wunch has agreed to pay for any improvements to the area. TxDot is also requiring that the street be closed. There will eventually be a left turn lane from US 79 into the development.

Tony Host, Director of Construction, stated he has provided a preliminary plan to the owner of Wag-a-bag for the new driveway and he has agreed to the design.

Motion: Councilmember Killough made a motion to accept the first reading of an ordinance approving the right-of-way vacation of Short Street, a 50-foot Right-of-Way, approximately (0.4099 acres) 17,796 square feet in area, located adjacent to the Co-Op District development site on US 79 West. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion carried with 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

City Attorney Mike Shaunessy advised the Council that they should not waive the second reading of the ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS

11A. Consideration and possible action on a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract to renew electric rates when the current electric contract expires in March 2020.

Anthony Emadi advised the Council that electric rates are at an all time low (lowest in 15 years), but are expected to increase due to three coal plants being taken off-line. He explained that now would be a good time to lock in rates now for when the contracts expire.

Councilman Hines wanted to know if this resolution gives the City Manger the authority to make a deal – yes.

Motion: Councilmember Hines made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract to renew electric rates when the current electric contract expires in March 2020. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

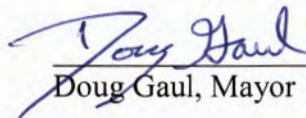
Vote: Ayes Mayor Doug Gaul
 Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
 Councilmember Scott Rose
 Council Member Nate Killough
 Councilmember Tim Jordan
 Councilmember Lucio Valdez
 Councilmember Terri Grimm

Action: The motion carried with 7 ayes, and 0 nays.

ADJOURNMENT

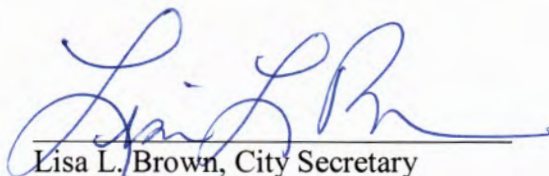
There being no further business to be heard the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

CITY OF HUTTO



Doug Gaul, Mayor

APPROVED:



Lisa L. Brown, City Secretary