

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
AGENDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2019**

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Ronnie Parker and Council Members Steve Diehl, Kody Fahrenthold, Stewart Wilson, John Schack, and Ben Tucker. Council Members absent: Council Member Dennis Knippa. Staff present: City Manager David Huseman, Finance Director Linnette Barker, and City Secretary Kimberly Sampson Henry. There were 4 guests present.

2. Roll Call

All Council Members were present except Council Member Dennis Knippa.

3. Invocation

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Parker moved agenda item # 22 forward.

Executive Session:

22. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding the FY 2018/2019 contract between the City of Ingleside and the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce and the associated agreement. The City Council may meet in Closed Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney).

Council Member Diehl made a motion to table this agenda item until October 2019; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson.

There was some discussion among the Council Members and Ingleside Chamber of Commerce Representative, Kelly Sheppard. Mr. Sheppard agreed the Chamber would appreciate additional time to allow for more dialog between the City and Chamber.

The motion to table this item until October 2019 was approved with Mayor Parker and Council Members Diehl, Fahrenthold, Wilson, and Tucker voting aye; and Council Member Schack voting no.

5. Citizen Comments

There were not comments from the public.

Presentations:

6. Presentation by Police Chief Tammy Burr to the Animal Control Officers for their outstanding work with the surrounding communities when Ingleside had no Animal Control Facility for the past two years, since Hurricane Harvey.

Police Chief Tammy Burr presented Outstanding Service Awards to Animal Control Officers Carolyn "Sue" Cave and Kimberly Otwell for their outstanding work with the surrounding communities when Ingleside had no Animal Control Facility. Ms. Cave has been with the City since August 2016 and Ms. Otwell since December 2018. Since Hurricane Harvey in 2017, Ingleside has not had its own Animal Shelter. Their skills to take care of the needs within Ingleside and the flexibility to work with the cities of Aransas Pass and Port Aransas to fulfill those needs were long and exhausting hours. These ladies put the needs of the citizens and the animals first. They have worked, and continue to work, tirelessly with other organizations to find homes locally, state wide, and out of state; for these animals.

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7. Presentation by Volunteer Coordinator, Tauny Harlien, with the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA).

CASA Representative, Mia Maddux Moore (Program Manager) was present in Tauny Harlien's place. Ms. Moore provided an overview of the CASA program, some of the statistics, and how individuals can help these children.

Consent Agenda: (All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion; there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests.)

Council Member Schack removed item # 9 from the Consent Agenda.

8. Receive the City's Financial Reports as of August 31, 2019.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve the City's Financial Reports as of August 31, 2019; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Discussion, consideration, and action of the City Council Minutes dated July 30, August 7, and August 8, 2019.

Council Member Schack noted that the August 8 2019 minutes correctly indicates that he was absent; however, within the minutes it indicates he made a motion.

Mayor Parker made a motion to approve the City Council Minutes dated July 30, August 7, and August 8, 2019 with the corrections to the August 8, 2019 minutes as indicated by Council Member Schack; and was seconded by Council Member Diehl. The motion was approved unanimously.

Following the meeting, Staff reviewed the minutes and noted the correction to the minutes was within item # 3, paragraph # 11. Minutes were corrected to indicate that Council Member Fahrenthold (not Schack) "requested the staff talk with IISD regarding the SRO position."

Public Hearings:

10. Public Hearing regarding an application filed by Kelly Bowen for the property located at Pty ID # 50934 – W1/4 Lt 6 Blk E (165X620) Burton & Danforth Subdivision also known as 1595 Kenny Lane for an excavation permit for the purpose of filling in an old swimming pool (also known as a pond).

Mayor Parker opened the Public Hearing at 6:47 p.m.

Speaking in favor of the excavation permit were Kelly Bowen and Robert Kennedy. Mr. Bowen referred to the pond as a "pool" and is requesting authorization to fill in the pond/pool due to it being a safety hazard for his children. He doesn't feel this is a drainage concern because it is one of the highest points on Kenny Lane. He has called the Fish and Game as well as the Army Corp of Engineers and they say its not an issue to fill in his pond. (No written documentation provided to support the Fish and Game of the Army Corp of Engineers statements.) Mr. Kennedy stated as Mr. Bowen's neighbor, he has no concern.

There were no speakers against this request.

Mayor Parker closed the Public Hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Action Items:

11. Discussion, consideration, and action of an application for an excavation permit filed by Kelly Bowen for the property located at Pty ID # 50934 – W1/4 Lt 6 Blk E

(165X620) Burton & Danforth Subdivision also known as 1595 Kenny Lane for the purpose of filling in an old swimming pool (also known as a pond).

Mayor Parker and Council Member Tucker questioned depth, what type of material(s) to be used, and how long it would take. Mr. Kelly Bowen stated it is about 10ft deep, he plans to replace with sand, and it would be done over about a weeks-time.

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion to approve the excavation permit filed by Kelly Bowen for the property located at Pty ID # 50934 – W1/4 Lt 6 Blk E (165X620) Burton & Danforth Subdivision also known as 1595 Kenny Lane for the purpose of filling in an old swimming pool (also known as a pond); and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

12. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance amending Chapter 62, Traffic and Vehicles, by adding a new Article VI, Regulating the Use of Hand-Held Mobile Communication Devices while Driving. (Final Reading)

Council Member Schack made a motion to approve Ordinance # 2019-38 amending Chapter 62, Traffic and Vehicles, by adding a new Article VI, Regulating the Use of Hand-Held Mobile Communication Devices while Driving; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

13. Discussion, consideration and action of an Ordinance amending the Traffic Control Device Inventory Schedules by amending Section 62-47 (School Zone): and providing for publication and an effective date. (First Reading) (Tabled from 8/14/19)

Police Chief, Tammy Burr reminded the Council this is a Safety All Day approach that a lot of communities are starting to enforce. It was tabled from August in order for staff to discuss with IISD. IISD Superintendent, Troy Mircovich responded to staff that he is okay whichever way the City wants to enforce.

Council Member Fahrenthold preferred the Safety All Day approach.

Mayor Parker and Council Members Schack, and Tucker agreed that safety is a concern; however, during the school day, the students have to be signed out by an adult except for the Seniors at the High School. They were more concerned with after-school hours when children are playing ball in the street.

Council Member Diehl suggested if the concern is 24/7/365 safety, that maybe the City should consider 20 mph all over town.

Council Member Schack requested that the speed limit on SH-361 near Avenue J be less than 45 mph. City Manager, David Huseman explained that TxDOT will be conducting a speed study to make that determination.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to deny this Ordinance being passed to a second reading; and was seconded by Council Member Diehl. The motion to deny was approved by Mayor Parker and Council Members Diehl, Schack, and Tucker voting aye; and Council Members Fahrenthold and Wilson voting no.

14. Discussion, consideration and action of an Ordinance amending the City's Traffic Control Device Schedule in order to add and remove certain School Zone Signs throughout the City Limits. (First Reading) (Tabled from 8/14/19)

Police Chief, Tammy Burr reminded the Council this is adding a few new and removing some from areas that aren't necessary, as well as replacing some that were blown away from Hurricane Harvey.

Council Member Schack questioned the cost of the new signs/poles and from where the funds would be paid from. Staff did not have the estimate available at this time and it will be brought back at the second reading.

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Council Member Schack made a motion to pass to the second reading the Ordinance amending the City's Traffic Control Device Schedule in order to add and remove certain School Zone Signs throughout the City Limits; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

15. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution of the City Council of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, amending Chapter 14, Section 14.43 (F) of the Ingleside Code of Ordinance by approving the waiver of pet adoption fees on October 1, 2019 and November 11, 2019.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approved Resolution # 2019-43 of the City Council of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, amending Chapter 14, Section 14.43 (F) of the Ingleside Code of Ordinance by approving the waiver of pet adoption fees on October 1, 2019 and November 11, 2019; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

16. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution changing various fees contained in Appendix "A" Fee Schedule of the Ingleside Code of Ordinances and in particular those monthly fees charged to users of solid waste services.

Council Member Schack made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-44 changing various fees contained in Appendix "A" Fee Schedule of the Ingleside Code of Ordinances and in particular those monthly fees charged to users of solid waste services; and was seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion was approved unanimously.

17. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the adoption of Rental Agreements for the Garden Center and the Humble Community Center.

Parks and Facilities Manager, Mariana Rodriguez explained the changes include (1) no rentals on city observed holidays, and (2) no key will be given out. This will allow staff members to also be off on city observed holidays and it will keep keys from being lost and requiring staff to re-key the facilities as well as keep some renters from entering the facility before their scheduled time.

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-45 of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the adoption of Rental Agreements for the Garden Center and the Humble Community Center; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

18. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Ingleside setting the stipend compensation for the Ingleside Volunteer Fire Department.

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-46 by the City Council of the City of Ingleside setting the stipend compensation for the Ingleside Volunteer Fire Department; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson.

Council Member Fahrenthold amended his motion to increase the rates to be \$15 per meeting/training attended and \$10 per fire responded to; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

City Manager, David Huseman stated he is confident there are sufficient funds for the increase to \$8 and \$10 per Fire/Meeting attendance, but he is not sure if there is sufficient funds for the \$10 and \$15 per Fire/Meeting attendance.

19. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Ingleside directing the City Staff regarding the School Resource Officer employment, Addendum to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Ingleside Independent School District and the City of Ingleside.

Council Member Schack made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-47 by the City Council of the City of Ingleside directing the City Staff regarding the School Resource Officer employment, Addendum to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Ingleside Independent School District and the City of Ingleside; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

20. Discussion, consideration and action of Harvey Updates including, but not limited to: Insurance, Buildings and Facilities, FEMA Debris Removal, and Fund 19 Fund Report.

City Secretary, Kimberly Sampson Henry provided a brief overview of the PPDR status.

City Manager, David Huseman explained the staff is working with TDEM and FEMA regarding the whole Faith Park Project. While we are still waiting on their final assessment of the Concession Stand/Announcers Booth, the Ingleside Development Corporation (IDC) is beginning the process to select a firm to assist with the Parks Master Plan. Staff recommends the Council not make any definitive plans for Faith Park until the Parks Master Plan is completed.

Council Member Schack asked if the fields could be fixed for softball season and Mr. Huseman stated he would talk with the Staff.

21. Discussion, consideration and action of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, accepting and approving Hotel Occupancy Tax Forms and Guidelines.

Council Member Diehl thanked the City Manager, City Secretary, and Finance Director for all of their work on setting up these guidelines and doing all of the research for this process.

City Manager, David Huseman stated that the Hotel/Motel Association is willing to come to Ingleside and provide a presentation for what Hotel/Motel Tax Funds can and cannot be used for. We are trying for late October.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-48 of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, accepting and approving Hotel Occupancy Tax Forms and Guidelines; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Other:

23. Reports from Staff

A. **City of Ingleside expenditures** – there were no questions from Council Members.

24. Requests from Council Members for Future Agenda Items.

Council Member Wilson requested an update on the drainage ditch located behind the Jr. High School. City Manager, David Huseman explained that the contractor was called out to fix the situation and the Engineer is working with them. Council Member Wilson stated he preferred a concrete ditch and Mr. Huseman referred that to the Storm Water Improvement Plan.

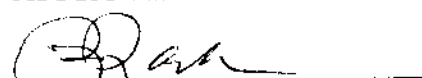
25. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kimberly Sampson Henry, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Mayor Ronnie Parker