

CITY OF INGLESIDE
MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2020
6:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Regular City Council Meeting on February 26, 2020 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Ronnie Parker, Council Members Steve Diehl, Kody Fahrenthold, Stewart Wilson, John Schack, Ben Tucker and Dennis Knippa. Several City Staff Members and approximately 30 guests present.

2. Roll Call

All Council Members were present.

3. Invocation

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Citizen Comments

John Schack, presented a letter that was given to him by a Ingleside citizen. Mr. Schack read the letter out loud and asked for it be discussed during Council Action items. The letter from the citizen indicated that a candidate running for council does not live within the City limits and asked the City Council to look into this matter because it is a violation of the City Charter. Mr. Schack presented the letter to City Manager, David Huseman.

Presentations:

6. Introduction of the Staff recently employed and/or promoted by the City of Ingleside

Police Chief, Tammy Burr, introduced new Patrol Officer, David Piper.
Utility Billing Manager, Isabel Valdez, introduced new Utilities Clerk, Kristina Tyler.

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 request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.)

7. Receive the City's Financial Reports as of January 31, 2020.

8. Discussion, consideration and action of Ordinance #2020-07 of the City of Ingleside, Texas naming a Street "Bennie Diegel Avenue". (Final Reading)

9. Discussion, Consideration, and Action of Ordinance #2020-08 establishing and designating as a Reinvestment Zone under Chapter 312 Texas Tax Code the approximately 10.33 acres of land leased by Air Liquide Large Industries US LP, located at 4015 State Highway 361, all being within Ingleside City Limits. (Final Reading)

10. Discussion, consideration and action of Ordinance #2020-09 of the City of Ingleside, Texas, amending the Ingleside Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article V, Section 2-116, Special Expense Fines and Fees. (Final Reading)

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- 11. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance #2020--10 amending certain subdivisions and platting rules set forth in Chapter 54 of the Ingleside Code of Ordinances and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication. (Final Reading)

Council Member Diehl requested item 7, Receive the City's Financial Reports as of January 31, 2020 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stewart to approve items 8-11 on the Consent Agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Receive the City's Financial Reports as of January 31, 2020

Council Member Diehl, requested unencumbered funds be listed and have encumbered funds include matching funds for projects such as capital improvement projects and road plans so Council will know how to obligate funds.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold to approve the City's Financial Report as of January 31, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously.

Public Hearings:

- 12. Public Hearing regarding an application filed by David Henderson to rezone the hereinafter described real property from its present classification of M (Multi-Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial): Lt 1, Blk 1 Seaside Landing Subdivision, fronting FM 1069/Main Street, Ingleside, Texas (this property is directly behind HEB).

Mayor Parker opened the Public Hearing at 6:42 p.m.

Speaking in favor of the rezone were applicant David Henderson, reporting his intent is to put a Domino's Pizza Restaurant on the property.

Speaking in favor of the rezone were Jodi Carr, representing Ingleside IDC, reporting that Ingleside IDC is in favor of Domino's at this location, they are very happy Mr. Henderson could secure the site and are excited to have a Domino's locate in Ingleside.

There were no speakers against the rezone.

Mayor Parker closed the Public Hearing at 6:44 p.m.

Action Items:

- 13. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance changing the zoning for the following property from its present zoning of M (Multi-Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial) and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication: Lt 1, Blk 2, Seaside Landing Subdivision fronting FM 1069/Main Street, Ingleside, Texas (this property is directly behind HEB). (First Reading)

Motion was made by Council Member Tucker, and seconded by Council Member Knippa to pass to second reading the Ordinance changing the zoning for the property from its present zoning of M (Multi-Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial) and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication: Lt 1, Blk 2, Seaside Landing Subdivision fronting FM 1069/Main Street, Ingleside, Texas (this property is directly behind HEB). First Reading. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 14. Discussion, consideration, and action of Resolutions of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas naming:

A. Baseball Field "Hilario F. Lopez Field".

Mayor Parker, reported that Marine Lance Corporal Hilario F. Lopez was born December 8, 1982 and died in "Operation Iraqi Freedom" on December 12, 2004, he was 22 years old. He received the "Metal of Valor" and the "Purple Heart" for his bravery.

Motion was made by Council Member Diehl, and seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold to approve Resolution 2020-08, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, naming a baseball field "Hilario F. Lopez Field." The motion was approved unanimously.

B. Softball Field "Patrol Officer Raymond Eugene Cooper"

Mayor Parker, reported that Raymond Eugene Cooper was a Patrolman in Ingleside and died in the line of duty during a high speed vehicle pursuit near Gregory, Texas. He had been an Ingleside Patrol Officer for four years.

Motion was made by Council Member Fahrenthold, and seconded by Council Member Wilson to approve Resolution 2020-09, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, naming a Baseball Field "Raymond Eugene Cooper Field." The motion was approved unanimously.

15. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution nominating Kiewit Offshore Services, Ltd. To the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism, through the Economic Development Bank, as an enterprise project.

Jodi Carr, Ingleside Economic Development Director, reported that this is the 7th time Kiewit has come to Council for the Enterprise project.

Bob Shockney, Kiewit District Controller, reported that this is part of normal business expansion for Kiewit, this will help to continue to grow the business and keep continuing employment. Part of the improvement is to improve the Heavy Lifting Device, which will increase capacity and keeping Kiewit more competitive against the economy in the SE Asia market. This will help to build bigger projects more efficiently and help with capital improvements, technology and equipment.

Council Member Knippa, inquired if the hiring will be requalifying as a Texas Enterprise Zone to what is considered an economically disadvantaged area. In December, 2019, San Patricio County is not an economically disadvantaged County.

Jeff Bevill, with Ryan, consulting for Kiewit, reported that Kiewit's census, block and groups is considered in a distressed location, San Patricio County as a whole is not is not a economically disadvantaged County.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold to approve Resolution 2020-10, A Resolution nominating Kiewit Offshore Services, Ltd. To the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism, through the Economic Development Bank, as an enterprise project. The motion carried with vote of 5-1, with Council Member Knippa voting no, and Council Member Tucker abstaining from the vote.

16. Discussion, consideration, and action setting the dates for Public Hearing regarding the Transportation Master Plan.

Craig Thompson, representative from Hanson Engineering, presented a draft Transportation Master Plan, reporting that the draft Transportation Master Plan includes guidelines, recommendations and action items. The plan accounts for existing traffic conditions, recommendations for road reconstruction and maintenance, proposed street classifications, design, sidewalks, traffic calming options, and implementation. The Public Hearing dates would be March 3, 2020 and March 12, 2020 at the City Hall.

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Council Member Diehl, reported that this is a sub-part to the City Master Plan and inquired if the Street Committee has been involved and asked that the Street Committee be included in this plan.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Tucker to approve March 3, 2020 and March 12, 2020 for Public Hearing dates regarding the Transportation Master Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance of the City Council of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the execution of a Contract with the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce for the provision of Goods and Services and amending the FY 2019/2020 General Fund Budget (Single Reading) (Tabled from 2/12/20)

Motion was made by Council Member Diehl, and seconded by Council Member Schack to approve Ordinance 2020-11, An Ordinance of the City Council of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the execution of a contract with the Ingleside Chamber of Commerce for the provision of goods and services and amending the FY 2019/2020 General Fund Budget, and ask IDC to reimburse the City for the \$7,800 included in the contract; Supporting the Goals of the Ingleside Development Corporation and the Contract dates should be March, 2020 through September, 2021. Motion carried with a 4-3 vote, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Knippa and Mayor Parker voted no.

18. Discussion, consideration, and action authorizing the staff to renew the employee insurance plan(s) with Texas Municipal League Health (formerly known as TML-EIBP). (Tabled from 02/12/20).

Anna Kucera, Human Resource Director, provided a break-down of 4 option Benefit Plan Designs, recommending the re-evaluated for renewal which extends the current contract to renew for an effective date of October 1, allowing staff a more accurate budgeting costs.

Council Member Diehl, requested the employee insurance plans percentage of the annual budget.

Council Member Schack made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold to authorize staff to renew with option 4 of the Benefit Plan Design, extending the current contract to renew effective October 1. Motion carried unanimously.

19. Discussion, consideration, and action of options regarding a future Animal Control Facility.

David Huseman, City Manager, reported that the Animal Shelter facility lease is up in July 2020 with a possible 6-month extension. Mr. Huseman reported that he would like to seek qualification with a firm to develop basic design criteria.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schack to approve Resolution 2020-11, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to issue request for qualifications for the design of an Animal Control Shelter. The motion carried unanimously.

20. Discussion, consideration and action of an Ordinance of the City of Ingleside, Texas, amending the 2019.2020 General Fund Budget and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad to lease 2.4 or 0.4 acres of land along West Main Street directly across from the Humble Recreation Center to be used for public and/or private parking. The lease amount is \$8,830.00 or \$5,000.00 dollars annually with a 3% increase each year to be reconsidered not more than once every three years. (Single Reading) (Tabled from 1/22/20)

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion, seconded by Council Member Knippa to inquire with Union Pacific Railroad what the purchase price would be for the 2.4 or 0.4 acres of land along West Main Street directly across from the Humble Recreation Center. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Linnette Barker, Finance Director, reported that the report provided shows the expense since the Hurricane to the City is \$6,640,444, the reimbursement received is \$6,668,876 with a difference of \$28,431. The City still has several projects that need repaired.

22. Discussion, consideration, and action of City Council Minutes dated December 09, and 11, 2019, January 08, 16, and 22, 2020 and February 12, 2020.

Council Member Knippa reported he was absent on the January 22, 2020 Meeting.

Council Member Schack reported that on the meeting of January 22, 2020, item 15 needs corrected from: it only benefits the apartments and similar multi-family units, to: it mainly benefits the apartments and similar multi-family units.

Council Member Schack reported that on the meeting of January 22, 2020, item 20 needs corrected from: he is against any contract with Ingleside on the Bay for Wastewater Treatment Services, adding, due to the high risk of losing money.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Knippa to approve the City Council Minutes with the above corrections for December 9th, 11th, 2019, January 08, 16, and 22, 2020 and February 12, 2020. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote, with Council Member Knippa abstaining from the vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

23. The City Council will meet in closed executive session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager pursuant to Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) of the Texas Government Code.

24. The City Council will meet in closed executive session to discuss the terms and conditions of possible consultants' contract pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).

Mayor Parker closed the Regular meeting to go into Closed Executive Session at 8:07 p.m.

Mayor Parker closed the Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Meeting at 10:32 p.m.

25. Discussion and take action regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.

No action was taken.

OTHER:

26. Reports from Staff

a.) **City of Ingleside expenditures over \$3,000** – There were no questions from the Council

b.) **Staff update regarding Impact Fees**

Council Member Diehl, inquired about the apartment complex completion. Carey Dietrich, Ingleside Building Official, reported that the time line is estimated at 16 months for completion, they are boring the water-line at the railroad on March 3, 2020.

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27. Requests from Council Members

Council Member Diehl, asked the City Manager to inquire with TXDOT about the sidewalks on 361. Mr. Huseman will get information from TXDOT regarding a time-line.

Council Member Diehl, reported that the street lights on 1069 look good and it would be nice to have them put some on 361 as you come into the City.

Council Member Knippa, asked the City Manager to contact TXDOT about the turning lanes on 1069, they need to paint turn circles so people will stop using these as a passing lane.

Mayor Parker, inquired about the implementation of the salary survey. Mr. Huseman reported that he will email on Friday and full implementation plan.

Council Member Schack, requested that the City Manager contact the Attorney General regarding the Election Applications, questioning perjury and residency. Mr. Schack does not want staff involved would rather have the Attorney General or the Texas Rangers investigate. The City Manager will check protocol.

Council Member Diehl complimented the Police Department for watching the Kiewit traffic, good job.


28. Adjourn

The Regular City Council Meeting held on February 26, 2020 was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Linnette Barker, Acting City Secretary


Mayor Ronnie Parker