

City of Ingleside
Minutes
Regular City Council Meeting
July 22, 2020
6:30 PM

1. Call meeting to order and Roll Call

The Regular City Council Meeting on July 22, 2020 was called to order at 6:31 p.m., with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Ronnie Parker, Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson. Council Member Schack and Council Member Tucker were present via Zoom Meeting. Several City Staff members were present.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

3. Citizens Comments

Presentations:

4. Presentation by the Port of Corpus Christi Chief of External Affairs Officer, Omar Garcia.

Chief of External Affairs Officer for the Port of Corpus Christi, Omar Garcia greeted the City Council, with a slide show overview of the Port of Corpus Christi growth, company relationships, exporting, pipeline capacity, retention of growth, dredging contracts, the impact of COVID-19, grants to small businesses, contributions to schools and first responders in Ingleside, and the Harbor Bridge revised timeline.

Council Member Diehl, thanked Mr. Garcia for the long overdue presentation, and hopes this is the beginning of a good relationship with the Port of Corpus Christi. He would like to have quarterly meetings in the future.

Mayor Parker and Council Member Tucker, thanked Mr. Garcia for the presentation, and looks forward to meeting with him again in the near future.

Executive Session:

- a. The appointment of an Interim City Manager.
- b. Economic Development Director to discuss possible investment opportunity.

Mayor Parker, closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:55 p.m. to proceed to the Executive Session.

Mayor Parker, closed the Executive Session at 8:13 p.m. to proceed to the Regular City Council Meeting.

Mayor Parker, re-opened the Regular City Council Meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Action Items:

6. Discussion, consideration, and action of the item(s) discussed in Executive Session.

- a. The appointment of an Interim City Manager

Council Member Diehl made a motion to appoint Finance Director, Linnette Barker, as Interim City Manager, with the same stipend as the current Interim City Manager, effective immediately, seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion passes unanimously.

- b. Economic Development Director to discuss possible investment opportunity.

No action was taken.

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)

7. Discussion, consideration, and action of the City Council Minutes, dated June 30, 2020, July 1, 2020, July 2, 2020, and July 13, 2020.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing:

Mayor Parker, closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 8:21 p.m., to proceed to the Public Hearing.

8. To Rezone from C-2 (General Commercial) to R-1 (Single Family Residential): LTS 2-4 BLK 1 Bell Estates Subdivision, also known as 1781 Mooney Lane, Ingleside, Texas.

Cassandra Bell of 2712 Avenue H, requested the rezone to R-1 (Single Family Residential).

There were no comments against the rezone request.

Mayor Parker, closed the Public Hearing at 8:22 p.m., to re-open the Regular City Council Meeting.

Action Items:

9. Discussion, consideration, and action on an Ordinance, to rezone from C-2 (General Commercial) to R-1 (Single Family Residential): LTS 2-4 BLK 1 Bell Estates Subdivision, also known as 1781 Mooney Lane, Ingleside, Texas (First Reading)

Council Member Wilson, asked how long this has been zoned commercial. Director of Building and Planning, Carey Dietrich, commented that this property had been zoned commercial since 1976.

Council Member Diehl, asked if it is all zoning, and all land use by the city. Director of Building and Planning, Carey Dietrich, confirmed this.

Council Member Tucker, made a motion to rezone from C-2 (General Commercial) to R-a (Single Family Residential): LTS 2-4 BLK 1 Bell Estates Subdivision, also known as 1781 Mooney Lane, Ingleside, Texas, seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion passed unanimously to proceed to a second reading.

10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action of an Ordinance to approve the amendment of the land use assumptions and a capital improvements plan and the imposition of an impact fee. (Second Reading)

Council Member Diehl, inquired if there had been any changes to what the City Council had previously discussed. Director of Building and Planning, Carey Dietrich, confirmed there had been no changes.

Council Member Schack, made a motion to approve the amendment of the land use assumptions and a capital improvements plan and the imposition of an impact fee, contingent that there were no changes, seconded by Council Member Diehl, provided there were no changes. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion, consideration, and action, for an Ordinance revision regarding development fees and lots/acreage fees. (First Reading)

Director of Building and Planning, Carey Dietrich, presented the Ordinance revision.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, for an Ordinance revision regarding development fees and lots/acreage fees. The motion passed unanimously to proceed to a second reading.

12. Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of Park Use Date Request, Park Usage Permit, and Special Use Permit forms.

Parks and Recreation Director, Mariana Rodriguez, presented the new forms to City Council, to streamline the HOT Funds process. Director of Economic Development, Jodi Carr, explained that these forms will be incorporated into the HOT Funds application process.

Council Member Diehl, commented that this will make each department be well informed of the applicants. Council Member Schack, asked if there was an application fee. Parks and Recreation Director, Mariana Rodriguez, confirmed there was no charge for the application process.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion to approve the Park Use Date Request, Park Usage Permit, and Special Use Permit forms, seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Discussion, consideration, and possible action of an Ordinance, amending Section 6- Attendance, Work Schedule, Time Reporting and Overtime, Sub-section 6E – On Call Duty Pay, Ingleside Employee Policy and Procedure Manual, and providing for effective date, reading, severance, and publication.

Human Resources Director, Anna Kucera, commented that this Ordinance, reviewed by the City Attorney, would change the On-call Duty Pay to a \$100 stipend, increasing the estimated budget of \$35,800.00; \$10,400.00 would be for Utility, \$26,400.00 would be for general. If approved, it would increase the overtime budgets in those departments. The effective date would change, if passed to a second reading, to the first full pay period in the budget year.

Council Member Schack, likes how it is written for the On-call Duty Pay. Council Member Schack, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to amend Ordinance 2020-29, Section 6- Attendance, Work Schedule, Time Reporting and Overtime, Sub-section 6E – On Call Duty Pay, Ingleside Employee Policy and Procedure Manual, and providing for effective date, reading, severance, and publication. The motion passed unanimously to a second reading.

14. Discussion, consideration, of the Street Maintenance Program for Fiscal Year 2020/21.

Director of Public Works, Donald Paty and Dale McConnell answered questions from City Council Members. Council Member Diehl, asked the amount of the Street Maintenance Fund. Interim City Manager, commented the amount of \$90,000.00 to come out of the Street Maintenance Fund. The line item amount is \$1,000,000.00.

Council Member Diehl, commented the City got away from the process of the Street Committee bringing a list of streets in need of maintenance, and the City Council choosing the streets in most need. This was done as part of the budget process. Director of Public Works, Donald Paty understood Council Member Diehl's concern, and commented it needs to get back to the original process. Council Member Schack, commented this process needs to be reinstated.

Mayor Parker, made a recommendation, to Public Works to work with the Street Committee and return to the process of the Street Committee choosing street in need of repair and bringing those street priorities to the City Council. Mayor Parker, also recommended adding \$600,000.00 to the line item.

Council Member Wilson, asked specifics of the equipment requested for purchase. Dale McConnell, explained the limits of said equipment, and what it will be used for.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion to approve the purchase of Street Maintenance Equipment, seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was passed unanimously.

15. Discussion, consideration, and action, on a Resolution for the Proposed Bond Projects.

John Michael, of Hanson Engineering, presented the proposed bond projects plans, including Houghton Addition Improvements, Emory Bellard Channel/Outfall, utility replacements at Avenue B & C between 6th and 7th Streets, Kenney Lane waterline replacement, Drainage Master Plan, utility replacements at Avenue C & D between 1st and 2nd Streets, 4th Street Drainage and roadway improvements, Avenue A reconstruction from Kenney Lane to Beasley, 12th Street utility replacement and road reconstruction.

Mayor Parker, commented the original estimate on the Houghton Subdivision was 12,000,000.00, and did not agree with the increase in the cost. The roads throughout the city need to be fixed, not just Houghton Subdivision. John Michael from Hanson Engineering, stated that they now know where everything is in the subdivision, they can not complete the project for the original 12,000,000.00 price. Hanson is still carrying a large contingency rate of 15%, but John Michael does not feel comfortable cutting that down to zero, with the difficulty of the project. Mayor Parker, commented that its hard to understand how 4.5 million dollars of work was not seen.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schack, to table the discussion until a Special City Council Meeting on Sunday, July 26, 2020, at 8:00 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

16. Discussion, consideration, and action, on the Police Department Budget.

Chief of Police, Tammy Burr confirmed the positions she was requesting on the new fiscal year 2020/21 budget, being the Assistant Chief, two Patrol Sergeants, one Motor Officer, and an a part-time Animal Kennel Technician.

17. Discussion, consideration, and action, allowing Gypsy M/C to host their event at Live Oak Park to include the consumption of beer and wine concession and overnight camping at the front of Live Oak Park, from November 5, 2020 to November 8, 2020.

Parks and Recreation Director, Mariana Rodriguez, presented the request to the City Council. Council Member Diehl, asked if the organization had a contingency plan if COVID-19 restricted the event. Mayor Parker, commented that if COVID-19 is still an issue, the City Council will not allow it.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion to authorize the request, contingent on adherence to the existing emergency declaration with regards to COVID-19 at the time, seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion passed unanimously.

18. Discussion, consideration, and action, to award a bid for the awning at Humble Youth Center.

Mayor Parker, asked if this bidder is the same company that installed existing awnings on another business on the same block. Parks and Recreation Director, Mariana Rodriguez, commented that this was the same company. Council Member Diehl, made a motion to table the discussion and have the Parks and Recreation Director, Mariana Rodriguez, bring the item back at a future meeting.

19. Discussion, consideration, and action on Animal Control Facility Lease Extension.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, to grant the lease extension for the Animal Control Facility, as presented, seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion passed unanimously.

Other:

20. Reports from Staff
- a. Department's Quarterly Reports
 - b. City of Ingleside expenditures over \$3000.
 - c. Other Updates

Council Member Diehl, when the sewer rates were raised, every penny should have been a line item for the waste water treatment plant, and requested that amount. Interim City Manager, Linnette Barker, commented that the amount is \$601.00, as of June 30, 2020.

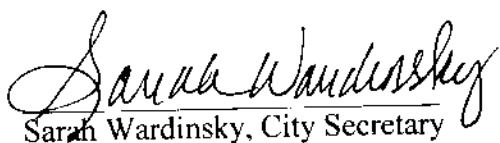
21. Requests from Council

Mayor Parker, requested from Interim City Manager, Linnette Barker, to get the Street Committee back together with Public Works.

Council Member Diehl, requested the Beautification Committee be reimplemented.

22. Adjourn

Mayor Parker, adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting at 10:45 p.m.


Sarah Wardinsky, City Secretary


Mayor Ronnie Parker