

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, to be held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on Thursday, December 18, 1980, at 9:00 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL: Mayor Oliver Howard; Council - Seaton Higginbotham, Dick Bowen, Leo F. Scott, S. M. Moore, Jr., L. D. Hilton, and Kathy Webster.

1. Call to Order.
2. INVOCATION: Councilman Leo F. Scott.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Last Regular Meeting held December 4, 1980.
4. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS:

Edwin Lee O'Dell	Police Captain	30 Years
Billy S. Van Zandt	Police Lieutenant	25 Years

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Council member or citizen so request, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence.

5. Resolutions
 - a. Boiler & Machinery Insurance.
 - b. Transferring National Rent-A-Car Lease at the Airport.
 - c. Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the State concerning the maintenance of an existing traffic signal at the intersection of Albany Highway (SH 351) and East Lake Road (FM 2833).
 - d. Casting Ballots for Board of Trustee Election-TML Worker's Joint Insurance Fund.
6. Award of Bids
 - a. Traffic Sign Materials.
 - b. Refuse Collection Containers.
7. Request to Advertise
 - a. Cars, Pickups & Trucks
 - b. Diesel fuel additive
 - c. Two-way radios for Transit System.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Public Hearings
 - a. Consider on second and final reading - ordinance concerning rate for W. T. U.
 - b. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-6 & RM-3 (Residential Single Family & Residential Multi-Family) Districts, located one mile south of Wylie east of Buffalo Gap Road.
 - c. Consider on second and final reading - changing the name of Sycamore Street to Spindletop Drive south of Industrial Blvd., for a distance of 1,418 feet.
 - d. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to GC (General Commercial) District, located on West Highway 80.
 - e. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from RM-3 (Residential Multi-Family) to CB (Central Business) District, located on Sycamore Street between South 4th & South 6th Streets.

8. Public Hearings, Cont.,

- f. Consider on second and final reading - thoroughfare abandonment being a north-south alley between Blocks 54 and 87 and also South 5th Street between Sycamore and Chestnut Streets.
 - g. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-6 & RS-8 (Residential Single Family) Districts, located on Buffalo Gap Road, one mile south of Wylie.
 - h. Consider on second and final reading - thoroughfare abandonment being the southeast 500' X 60' Harbour Town in the Fairways.
 - i. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to PI (Park Industrial) District, located in the 5400 Block of South Clack.
 - j. Consider on second and final reading - reclassification request from AO & HC (Agricultural Open Space and Heavy Commercial) to II (Light Industrial) District, located on South Treadaway.
 - k. Consider on second and final reading - thoroughfare abandonment being a north-south alley between Poplar and Palm and between South 16th & South 17th Streets.
 1. Consider Carver Land Use Policy Plan.
9. Ordinances
- a. Consider on first reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-8 & PDD (Residential Single Family & Planned Development) Districts, located at Woodlake Drive & Piping Rock Drive and set a public hearing for January 8, 1981, at 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Discussion of proposed amendments to the Pro Rata Ordinance.
10. Resolutions
- a. Consider recommendation on increase of user fees at the Civic Center.
 - b. Approval of Energy Grant Application.
11. Other Business
- a. Consider waiver of Subdivision Ordinance concerning water service on Jennings Street.
 - b. Consider annexation request of certain area.
 - c. Consider pending and contemplated litigation.

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 15th day of December, 1980, at 8:45 a.m.

Kelly Brewer, Asst
CITY SECRETARY

CHAMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL,
CITY HALL, THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS.

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in Regular Session, Thursday, December 18, 1980, at 9:00 a.m. with Mayor Oliver Howard, present & presiding. Councilmen Seaton Higginbotham, Dick Bowen, Leo F. Scott, S.M. Moore, Jr., L.D. Hilton & Councilwoman Kathy Webster, present. Assistant City Manager Curtis Hawk, City Attorney Harvey Cargill & City Secretary Ruth Hodgkin, present.

Invocation by Councilman Scott.

Minutes of last Regular Meeting held December 4, 1980, were approved as written.

Mayor Howard presented Service Awards to the following Employees:

Edwin Lee O'Dell - Police Department - 30 Years
Billy S. Van Zandt - Police Department - 25 Years

Councilman Moore moved passage of the consent items listed below. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

5. Resolutions

- a. Boiler & Machinery Insurance.
- b. Transferring National Rent-a-Car Lease at the Airport.

INSURANCE-
BOILER &
MACHINERY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONSENT TO COLLATERAL TRANSFER - CREATING OF LIEN ON ABILENE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT LEASE ESTATE BETWEEN THE CITY OF ABILENE AND THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF SAN ANGELO PERTAINING TO THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT LEASE HERETOFORE GRANTED TO J.B. RENTALS (NATIONAL RENT-A-CAR) ON AUGUST 23, 1979.

AIRPORT-
TRANSFER OF
NATIONAL RENT
A-CAR LEASE

- c. Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the State concerning the maintenance of an existing traffic signal at the intersection of Albany Highway (SH 351) and East Lake Road (FM2833).

TRAFFIC-STATE
OF TEXAS-
MT.AGREEMENT

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL.

- d. Casting Ballots for Board of Trustee Election - TML Worker's Joint Insurance Fund.

INSURANCE-
BALLOT FOR
TRUSTEE ELECT-
TML
TRAFFIC SIGN
MATERIALS

6. Award of Bids

- a. Traffic Sign Materials.
- b. Refuse Collection Containers.

7. Request to Advertise

- a. Cars, Pickups & Trucks.
- b. Diesel fuel additive.
- c. Two-way Radios for Transit System.

EQUIPMENT PURC
REFUSE CONTAIN
ERS -CARS,PICK
UPS & TRUCKS-
TWO-WAY RADIOS
FOR TRANSIT
SYSTEM

GASOLINES, OIL
& GREASES

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance amending the rates for West Texas Utilities Company.

FRANCHISE-
WTU-RATE INC.

Mr. Cargill explained that they had only received a 6.20% increase at the hearing in Austin. He pointed out that this was a reasonable increase and he recommended passage to the Council.

Mr. Dick LaPorte, 317 Moore Dr., spoke of the concern that he had about over loaded transformers in his part of town.

Mr. Bob Utley, District Manager, WTU, said that they tried to maintain the power that was necessary. He said that when a transformer was overloaded, it cost WTU instead of the customer.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Bowen moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading approving the rate increase for WTU which amounted to approximately 6.20% The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING RATE SCHEDULES TO BE CHARGED BY WEST TEXAS UTILITIES COMPANY IN THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SUCH RATE SCHEDULES, PROVIDING CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SUCH RATE SCHEDULES MAY BE CHANGED, MODIFIED, AMENDED OR WITHDRAWN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-6 & RM-3 (Residential Single Family & Residential Multi-Family) Districts, located one mile south of Wylie east of Buffalo Gap Road across from Mystic Meadows.

ZONING--RE
AO TO RS-6 &
RM-3, ONE MILE
S. OF WYLIE E.
OF BUF. GAP RD
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier, Zoning Administrator to brief the Council.

Pat Kasimirs, Rt. 7, said that she was concerned about the fence, was afraid it would be wooden and deteriorate. She also said that the people in the neighborhood felt that it would be better if the houses fronted on Buffalo Gap Road.

Harold Elledge, Developer, said that they felt that they could sell the homes better if they did not front on Buffalo Gap Road and they had also talked with the Traffic Engineer for the City of Abilene. He assured the Council that they were planning to construct a masonry fence.

J. A. Farr, who lives across from the proposed property, said that the State owned that public right of way between the road and the back of the houses on Buffalo Gap Road.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Bowen moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading reclassifying from AO to RS-6 & RM-3 Districts, located one mile south of Wylie east of Buffalo Gap Road across from Mystic Meadows. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Webster. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, "ZONING," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES, AS DESCRIBED BELOW; DECLARING A PENALTY, AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance changing the name of Sycamore Street to Spindletop Drive south of Industrial Blvd. for a distance of 1,418 feet.

STREET NAME
CHANGE-
SYCAMORE ST.
TO SPINDLETOP
DRIVE-SOUTH OF
INDUSTRIAL
BLVD.

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the proposed name change.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Higginbotham moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading providing for changing the name of Syacamore Street to Spindletop Drive south of Industrial Blvd. for a distance of 1,418 feet. The motion was seconded by Councilman Moore. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, CHANGING THE NAME OF SYCAMORE STREET TO SPINDLETOP DRIVE.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to GC (General Commercial) District, located on West Highway 80.

ZONING-RE
AO TO GC
W. HWY 80
DENIED

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the reclassification.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Bowen moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading. The motion died for lack of a second and the ordinance did not pass.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from RM-3 (Residential Multi-Family) to CB (Central Business) District, located on Sycamore Street between South 4th & South 6th Streets.

ZONING-RE
RM-3 TO CB
SYCAMORE ST.
BET. S. 4 &
S. 6
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the reclassification.

James Wheeler, Architect for Boone & Pope, explained that The First State Bank was enlarging its facilities and planned to make the entire two blocks into an orderly attractive growth.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Scott moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading reclassifying from RM-3 to CB District, located on Sycamore Street between South 4th & South 6th Streets. The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Scott, Hilton & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: Councilmen Bowen, Moore & Councilwoman Webster.

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Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being a north-south alley between Blocks 54 & 87 and also South 5th Street between Sycamore & Chestnut Streets.

THOROUGHFARE
ABANDONMENT-
N-S ALLEY BET.
BLKS. 54 & 87
ALSO S. 5, BET.
SYCAMORE &
CHESTNUT
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the provision.

Mr. Wheeler explained that this was also involved with the expansion at the First State Bank.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Hilton moved passage of the ordinance providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being a north-south alley between Blocks 54 & 87 and also South 5th Street between Sycamore & Chestnut Streets. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Scott, Hilton & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: Councilmen Bowen, Moore & Councilwoman Webster.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH ABANDONMENT, AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-6 & RS-8 (Residential Single Family) Districts, located on Buffalo Gap Road, one mile south of Wylie.

ZONING-RE
AO TO RS-6 &
& RS-8, ON BUF
GAP RD. SOUTH
OF WYLIE
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the reclassification.

Mr. Jack Chamberlain, who owns 1/2 of the property being reclassified, said that they planned to build a road in order to have ingress and egress.

Mr. Farr, said that he was interested in what their plans were so far as a retention dam that had been recommended by the soil conservation people.

Pat Kasimirs, said that she was concerned with where the road would be placed, and with flooding.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Higginbotham moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading reclassifying from AO to RS-6 & RS-8 Districts, located on Buffalo Gap Road, one mile south of Wylie. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bowen. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

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Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being the southeast 500' X 60' of Harbour Town in the Fairways.

THOROUGHFARE
ABANDONMENT-
SE OF HARBOUR
TOWN IN
FAIRWAYS
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the provision.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Moore left the meeting.

Councilman Scott moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being the southeast 500' X 60' of Harbour Town in the Fairways. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Webster. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH ABANDONMENT, AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

Councilman Moore returned to the meeting.

Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to PI (Park Industrial) District, located in the 5400 Block of S. Clack.

ZONING-RE
AO TO PI
5400 BLK.
S. CLACK
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the reclassification.

Mr. Leroy Hulsey, owner of the property in question, said that he wanted to use the property for a Welding Shop and oil rig repair site.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Scott moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading reclassifying from AO to PI District, located in the 5400 Block of S. Clack. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bowen. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

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Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance reclassifying from AO & HC (Agricultural Open Space & Heavy Commercial) to LI (Light Industrial) District, located on South Treadaway.

ZONING-RE
AO & HC TO
LI, S. TREAD-
AWAY, FINAL
READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the reclassification.

There being no one present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Higginbotham moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading reclassifying from AO & HC to LI District, located on South Treadaway. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hilton. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

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Mayor Howard opened public hearing on an ordinance providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being a north-south alley between Poplar & Palm & between South 16th & South 17th Streets.

THOROUGHFARE
ABANDONMENT
N-S ALLEY
BET. POPLAR &
PALM & BET.
S. 16 & S. 17
FINAL READING

Mayor Howard asked Mr. Collier to brief the Council on the provision.

Mr. George said that the Council was being asked to approve a land use plan for the Carver Neighborhood Strategy Area. He pointed out that Carver is the second of three older, deteriorating neighborhoods in Abilene which have been designated by the City for concentrated revitalization efforts.

PLANNING-
CARVER LAND
USE POLICY
PLAN

Anita Russelman, Planner, said that in response to neighborhood and staff concerns over the land use and zoning policy in the Carver NSA, the Planning & Zoning Commission held a special public hearing on Thursday, December 4, 1980, to consider a land use plan for the neighborhood. At this meeting, the needs and strategies were discussed and set out in the Carver Neighborhood Land Use Plan to be voted upon.

After discussion, Councilman Hilton moved adoption of the Carver Neighborhood Land Use Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

Mr. Collier presented the final report of the Planning Commission reclassifying from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RS-8 & PDD (Residential Single Family & Planned Development) Districts, located at Woodlake Drive & Piping Rock Drive.

ZONING-RE
AO TO RS-8 &
PDD, WOODLAKE
DRIVE & PIPING
ROCK DRIVE-
TABLED

After discussion, Councilman Bowen moved to table the ordinance on first reading, until something could be worked out with the proponent which would satisfy the Staff on the alley width, also directing the Staff to bring back a Thoroughfare & Collector Street Plan with the item when it is brought back for the Council's attention. The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Hilton & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAINED: Councilwoman Webster.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, "ZONING," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES, AS DESCRIBED BELOW; DECLARING A PENALTY, AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

Councilman Hilton left the meeting.

Mr. George discussed the Pro Rata Ordinance as it exists, it provides a means whereby the City can recover some of the cost incurred in extending water & sewer lines. It also provides a means whereby developers can recover some of the cost incurred in constructing off-site mains, that is, water and sewer mains extending between the limits of a developer's subdivision and the nearest existing facility. He said that the pro rata ordinance affects the investment decisions of builders and developers on a more or less continual basis. Therefore, it may have a potentially large impact on overall growth patterns throughout Abilene.

WATER- PRO
RATA ORDINANCE
AMENDMENT
DISCUSSED

Mr. George presented three alternatives which had been prepared by the Planning Staff and considered by the Technical Review Committee.

Alternative One:

a) The content of this alternative is essentially the same as the existing pro rata ordinance, although some formal changes have been incorporated to clarify the language.

b) Pro Rata charges are forgiven from property connecting to most mains existing at the time the ordinance is effectuated. Pro Rate charges from property connecting to existing mains installed by developers will still be collected, and refunded to the developer, during the remainder of the 15 year payback period established at the time the line was installed.

c) The payback period for refunds to developers and individuals financing future water and sewer extensions is reduced from 15 years to 10 years.

Clyde Laird, who had requested the abandonment, said that he had no plans for the property, and spoke in favor of the provision.

Mr. Collier said that there were utilities in the alley, so that a utility easement would have to be retained.

There being no one else present and desiring to be heard, Mayor Howard closed the public hearing.

Councilman Bowen moved passage of the ordinance on second and final reading providing for a Thoroughfare Abandonment, being a north-south alley between Poplar & Palm & Between South 16th & South 17th Streets. The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Moore, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH ABANDONMENT, AND CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

Councilman Moore left the meeting.

After discussion, Councilman Scott moved adoption of the resolution approving rate adjustments for the Abilene Civic Center. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bowen. The motion carried as follows:

CIVIC CENTER
AMENDMENT OF
RATES

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, APPROVING RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE ABILENE CIVIC CENTER.

Mr. George explained that the City usually did not recommend for a waiver from the Subdivision Regulations, especially when it was for water without sewer. But this was an exception, because sewer was so far away. He pointed out that there was a water main large enough to accommodate the request already in place.

SUBDIVISION
REGULATIONS
WAIVER-
ON JENNINGS
STREET APPROVE

After discussion, Mayor Howard moved approval of the waiver of the Subdivision Regulations concerning extension of water service on Jennings Street, with the stipulation that they tie onto the sewer as soon as it was available. It was also set out that they would pay for their water at regular rates. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Webster. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Hilton, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

Mr. George presented the report on a study made of the Elm Creek area in regard to annexation. This was in response to an annexation request from Harold Elledge of Senter Realtors. The request was for 86.67 acres of the A. Greenwall Survey #100; being approximately 900 feet wide (north to south) and extending from Catclaw Creek to Elm Creek. The property is located approximately 1,050 feet north of Antilley Road. He said that the Elm Creek Study Area has been expanded to include an area of approximately 2.3 square miles. This area forms an inset in the present city boundary and is contiguous with the city limits on three sides.

ANNEXATION-
ELM CREEK AREA
DISCUSSED

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council that Mr. Elledge try to get the other people in the area to join with him in the annexation request. They said that they would be much more in favor of another annexation, if it was requested by the entire area.

Alternative Two

a) Some additional formal changes are included, in order to further clarify the language and structure of the ordinance.

b) The fixed pro rata payment (for connections to extensions built after the ordinance is effectuated) is replaced in favor of a flexible pro rata payment based on the actual costs of installing each particular extension.

Alternative Three

a) Pro rata charges are not to be collected (or refunded) from property connecting to almost any main extension. The only exceptions are existing mains installed by developers, where the terms of the existing pro rata ordinance call for refunds over a 15 year period following installation.

After much discussion, it was the consensus of the Council that the Staff return an amended Pro Rata Ordinance for their approval, using Alternatives Two & Three combined, with the developer not participating.

Ms. Russelman asked for the City Council's approval to proceed with the audit of several of the City owned buildings. An application for a energy grant to fund this will be made. These buildings were selected because of their annual (large) energy costs, their public visibility, and their potential for achieving decreased consumption through no-cost/low-cost measures.

ENERGY-
AUTHORIZE
GRANT
APPLICATION

Councilman Higginbotham moved approval of the above grant application for the audit of the City owned buildings mentioned. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. The motion carried as follows:

AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

A matter of urgent public necessity, adding the word "the" to the City of Abilene Housing Finance Corporation's name, was brought to the Council's attention. The change was needed so that articles of incorporation filed with the Secretary of State would be identical to papers drawn up for a possible mortgage revenue bond sale. The rush meeting was necessary because federal legislature ends the program December 31, and officials think the paper work must be approved by Tuesday because of the State's holiday schedule.

HOUSING FINANC
AUTHORITY


Councilman Scott moved approval of the resolution amending the articles of incorporation of Abilene Housing Finance Corporation for the purpose of changing the name of the corporation to The Abilene Housing Finance Corporation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Higginbotham. The motion carried as follows:


AYES: Councilmen Higginbotham, Bowen, Scott, Councilwoman Webster & Mayor Howard.

NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADOPTION OF ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF ABILENE HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION TO THE ABILENE HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION.

There being no further business, Mayor Howard adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.


CITY SECRETARY


MAYOR

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, to be held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on Thursday, January 8, 1981, at 9:00 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL: Mayor Oliver Howard; Council - Seaton Higginbotham, Dick Bowen, Leo F. Scott, S. M. Moore, Jr., L. D. Hilton and Kathy Webster.

1. Call to Order.
2. INVOCATION: Councilman Leo F. Scott.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Special Workshop Meeting held December 11, 1980, and last Regular Meeting held December 18, 1980.
4. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS:

Nova Caffey	Puchasing Department	Chief Clerk	20 Years
Graduation of Police Cadets	(13)	25th Police Academy	

CONSENT AGENDA

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5. Ordinances
 - a. Consider on first reading - reclassification request from RM-3 (Residential Multi-Family) to O (Office) District, located at 1501 Ambler, and set a public hearing for January 22, 1981, at 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Consider on first reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to LI (Light Industrial) District, located at 2118 E. I-20, and set a public hearing for January 22, 1981, at 9:00 a.m.
 - c. Consider on first reading - reclassification request from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to MH (Mobile Home) District, located on Caldwell Road, and set a public hearing for January 22, 1981, at 9:00 a.m. (Appealed)
6. Resolutions
 - a. Street Use License for construction of a railroad spur track across Cottonwood Street between Ambler and North 19th Streets.
 - b. Abandoning a 36' drainage easement across the north part of Lot 1, Block A, Curry Park Addition, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.
7. Change Orders
 - a. Approving Change Order #1 on contracts with Roy Willis Electric Company for construction of traffic signal improvements.
8. Request to Advertise
 - a. Oil & Gas Lease - Being the South 200 Acres of Section 10, Block 3, S.P.R.R. Company Survey, in Taylor County, Texas.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Ordinances
 - a. Ordinance Withdrawn.
 - b. Ordinance Withdrawn.
 - c. Consider on first reading - reclassification request from RS-2 (Residential Multi-Family) to GC (General Commercial) District, located at 1369 Sayles Boulevard, and set a public hearing for January 22, 1981, at 9:00 a.m.

10. Award of Bids
 - a. Water Distribution Feeder Mains.
 - b. Abilene Treatment Plant Renovation.

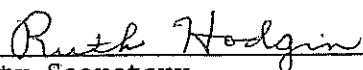
11. Request to Advertise
 - a. Approval of plans and specifications for Street Construction.
 - b. For Engineer/Planner to develop Airport Land Use Study.

12. Other Business
 - a. Waiver request of the Subdivision requirements for curbing and paving on T & P Lane.
 - b. Waiver request of the Subdivision requirements for curbing and paving of Maple Street on the Harwell Subdivision.
 - c. Approving the Pilot Program for Abilene Area Information Management System. (Tabled)

ADJOURN

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 5th day of January, 1981, at 8:45 a.m.



City Secretary