# CITY COUNCIL MEETING July 14, 2011 8:30 a.m.

# CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in Regular Session on July 14<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at 555 Walnut Street. Mayor Archibald was present and presiding with Councilmen Joe Spano, Anthony Williams, Stormy Higgins and Councilwoman Miller. Councilmen absent were: Shane Price and Robert O. Briley. Also present were City Manager Larry Gilley, City Attorney Dan Santee, City Secretary Danette Dunlap, and various members of the City staff. A member of the Youth Advisory Council Sarah Jones sat with the council and observed. Sarah attends Cooper High School.

Mayor Archibald gave the invocation.

Mayor Archibald introduced Michael and Matthew McRoy. Michael and Matthew attend Bassetti Elementary School and are the sons of Ed McRoy, Assistant Director of Planning and Development for the City of Abilene. Michael and Matthew led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

#### EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARD

Mayor Archibald and City Manager Larry Gilley recognized the following employee for their years of service to the City of Abilene:

Steven Keith Supervisor II, Traffic and Transportation

20 Years

## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Mayor Archibald and Donna Littlefield presented the following Scholarship Awards:

Vincent Migliore is the son of Carl Migliore, a Patrol Officer in Police. Jennifer Delacot is the daughter of Peter Delacot, Fire Fighter in Tactical Operations. Regan Locke is the daughter of David Locke, Fire Fighter in Tactical Operations. Brittany Woods is the daughter of Jimmy Woods, Patrol Officer in Police. Karissa Glenn is the daughter of Suzanne Glenn, Sanitarian in Environmental Health

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Archibald presented a proclamation to Barbara Liggett, Supervisor with Adaptive Recreation Services for the National Therapeutic Recreation Week.

#### **DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

**5.0** Mayor Archibald stated Council has been given the minutes from the June 23<sup>rd</sup> regular meeting there being no deletions, no additions, and no corrections, Councilman Williams made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Higgins seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Spano, Williams, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald

NAYS: None

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

No Items for consent.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

7.1 Jon James Director of Planning and Development Services briefed the council on the following **Z-2011-12** on a request from Edward and Lea Schafer Holt to rezone property from RS-6 (Single Family Residential) to RS-6/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 602 Sayles Blvd.

The property has been developed with a residential dwelling unit. The McDaniel/Batjer/Edward House was built in 1928. It reflects the Prairie Style of architecture that is attributed to Frank Lloyd Wright. The owners have requested Historic Overlay Zoning for this property, because they feel that the historic integrity of the house is intact. The house is in excellent condition, as it has been well preserved over the years by its owners. The surrounding properties have all been developed with residential dwelling units.

Staff, Landmarks Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.

Mayor Archibald opened the public hearing and there being no one present and desiring to be heard the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Spano made the motion to approve the Ordinance for **Z-2011-12** a request from Edward and Lea Schafer Holt to rezone property from RS-6 (Single Family Residential) to RS-6/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 602 Sayles Blvd. Councilman Higgins seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Spano, Williams, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald NAYS: None

Ordinance #22-2011 and captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SUBPART B, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES; CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING A PENALTY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Location: 602 Sayles Blvd.

7.2 Jon James Director of Planning and Development Services briefed the council on the following **Z-2011-13** a request from Vanessa Gwen Hollabaugh to rezone property from RS-6 (Single Family Residential) to RS-6/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 802 Meander St.

Currently the property is zoned RS-6 and has been developed with a residential dwelling unit. The Collins/St. John/Givens House was built in 1921. This house is a classic example of Craftsman Architecture. The owner has requested Historic Overlay Zoning for this property, because she feels that the historic integrity of the house is intact. The house has been well maintained and is in good condition. The surrounding properties have all been developed with residential dwelling units.

Staff, Landmarks Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.

Mayor Archibald opened the public hearing and there being no one present and desiring to be heard the public hearing was closed.

Councilwoman Miller made the motion to approve the Ordinance for **Z-2011-13** a request from Vanessa Gwen Hollabaugh to rezone property from RS-6 (Single Family Residential) to RS-6/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 802 Meander St. Councilman Williams seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Spano, Williams, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald

NAYS: None

Ordinance **#23-2011** and captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SUBPART B, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES; CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING A PENALTY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Location: 802 Meander St.

**7.3** Ben Bryner Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services briefed the council on the following **Z-2011-14** on a request from Jon and Theresa James to rezone property from RS-8 (Single Family Residential) to RS-8/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 1702 Belmont Blvd.

Currently the property is zoned RS-8 and has been developed with a residential dwelling unit. The Brumley/McEachern/James House was built in 1931. This house exhibits an eclectic mix of architectural styles based upon the Bungalow that was derived from the popular Craftsman Style during the 1930's, and in addition integrates the Spanish/Mission and French Provincial Revival styles of that period. The owners have requested Historic Overlay Zoning for this property, because they feel that the historic integrity of the house is intact. The house has been well maintained and is in good condition. The surrounding properties have all been developed with residential dwelling units except for businesses to the west along Butternut Street.

Staff, Landmarks Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.

Mayor Archibald opened the public hearing and there being no one present and desiring to be heard the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Higgins made the motion to approve the Ordinance for **Z-2011-14** on a request from Jon and Theresa James to rezone property from RS-8 (Single Family Residential) to RS-8/H (Single Family Residential/Historic Overlay) zoning, located at 1702 Belmont Blvd. Councilman Spano seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Spano, Williams, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald NAYS: None

Ordinance #24-2011 and captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 23, SUBPART B, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE," OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY CHANGING THE

# ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES; CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING A PENALTY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Location: 1702 Belmont Blvd.

**7.4** David Vela introduced Brian Davis, BDA Consulting Group, who discussed a program for Utility Line Warranties.

Typically a homeowner is responsible for maintaining portions of their water and sanitary sewer laterals lines. Repairs to these service lines can be very costly and inconvenient for the homeowner. United Service Partners (USP) provides warranty coverage for broken or leaking outside water and/or sewer lines that are typically not covered by a homeowner's insurance policy. There are likely some residents within the city for whom a water/sanitary service warranty program would be an attractive option.

USP offers their programs on a city-wide basis, but participation is optional for individual households and can be obtained for a monthly fee of \$4.50 for water and \$5.50 for sewer. Homeowners who participate are not required to sign a long-term contract and they can opt out of the coverage at any time.

Item is for discussion only.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Archibald recessed the Council into Executive Session 9:19 a.m. pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.074, 551.072 and 551.087 of the Open Meetings Act, to seek the advice of the City Attorney with respect to pending and contemplated litigation, to consider the appointment and evaluation of public officers, to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and to discuss contemplated business prospects and or economic development matters.

The Council reconvened from Executive Session at 10:45 a.m. and reported no votes or action was taken in Executive Session in regards to 551.074 Personnel Matters, 551.071 Legal Consultation with City Attorney, 551.072 Real Property.

**10** Appointments and reappointments to the following Boards and Commissions:

Abilene Taylor County Venue District Board

• Joint appointment between Mayor and County Judge – Glenn Dromgoole

CityLink ADA Advisory Board

- David Barnhill
- Donna Reiff As Agency Position from Alternate
- Patsy Daniel

\*Civic Abilene, Inc.

- Tom Boecking
- Neomia M. Banks
- Shaun Rea Martin New appointment
- Ted Starnes
- John Thomas

## Frontier *Texas!* (February Terms)

- Mike Hernandez New Appointment
- Jennifer Lee-Shultz New Appointment
- Jack Rentz New Appointment

#### Mayor's Council on Physical Fitness

• Velvet Chesser – New Appointment

# \*MPE/Swimming Pool Board of Appeals

- Melissa Sparks New appointment to Building Contractor Term 5/2011
- Rick Weatherl
- Jay Wyatt
- Ronnie Carlson
- Gene Isenburg
- Paula Beall New appointment to serve as Alternate

## \*Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board

- Petty Hunter
- Scott Findley New Appointment

## \*Parks and Recreation Board

- Amber Cree
- Jeff Goodin New Appointment
- Leigh Black New Appointment

## Senior Citizens Advisory Board

- Joe Lopez
- Myrle Raley
- Cynthia Cooke
- Fred Helmcamp New Appointment

### Visual Arts Jury

- Mike Warren New Appointment
- Marilyn Cluck
- Chris Procter-Cleveland
- Guinn Smith

### \*West Central Texas Municipal Water District

- Russell Berry
- Ron Butler
- Jane Beard

### Youth Advisory Council

- Austin Winegeart
- Carly Smith
- Christian Kappel
- Conner Nichols
- Hannah Nuhn
- Hunter Musgrave
- Luke Cooksey

- Lynette Barton
- Madeline Queen
- Meghan Martin
- Destiny Carson New Appointment (Eula HS)
- Maddie Keefer New Appointment (Madison Middle School)
- Patrick Blake
- Sam Berry
- Sarah Jones
- Savannah Barrington

Councilman Williams made the motion to approve Mayor's recommendation for the appointment and reappointments of the Boards and Commissions for the Spring Board Appointments. Councilman Higgins seconded the motion, motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Spano, Williams, Higgins Councilwoman Miller, and Mayor Archibald NAYS: None	
There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.	
Danette Dunlap, TRMC City Secretary	Norm Archibald Mayor