

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
November 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

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

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a Special Called Meeting on November 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Anthony Williams was present and presiding with Mayor Pro-tem Shane Price, and Councilmembers Bruce Kreidler, Weldon Hurt, Kyle McAlister, Steve Savage and Donna Albus. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, Assistant City Attorney Kelley Messer, Interim City Secretary Tiffni Herrera, and various other members of staff.

Mayor Pro-tem Price delivered the invocation.

Mayor Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3.1 Discussion & Public Hearing: Proposed New CityLink Bus Routes

Don Green, Director of Transportation Services, presented the item. Linda Lockhart, Transportation Services Director for CityLink Transit System, also spoke on the item. The proposed change is from 10 routes to eight routes.

It has been approximately 10 years since CityLink's bus routes have changed. In that time, the city has seen new development in many areas currently not served by the bus system. CityLink has endeavored to change the routes to better serve its customers and improve access to key locations that serve the medical, employment, and shopping needs of the citizens.

CityLink is required by Federal Transit Administration to hold two public hearings on the proposed routes. The first public hearing was held November 8, 2017. Today is the second public hearing. In addition to the FTA requirement, and prior to the public hearings, CityLink formed a task force of bus system stakeholders to review the proposed new routes. The task force had many suggestions that were included in the revised routes discussed in the public hearings.

Mayor Williams opened the public hearing. The following addressed the city council:

- Gloria Green – against the proposed changes
- Mike Vandervoort – suggestions for proper planning for citizen's with disabilities
- Joanna Zober – against the proposed changes

With no other speakers coming forward, Mayor Williams closed the public hearing.

No action was taken on this item.

3.2 Presentation & Discussion: City of Abilene Master Stormwater Drainage Plan Presentation

Michael Rice, Director of Public Works, introduced this discussion item. Curtis Vitale, Project Manager from HDR, made the presentation. David Todd of Enprotec, Hibbs and Todd, along with Renee Franks of Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, also spoke.

The presentation provided an update on the progress for the Abilene Stormwater Master Plan. HDR was the selected consultant, and relevant community stakeholders were identified. The Stormwater Stakeholders Committee included Duane Martin from Hendrick Health Services, Robert Calk from Senter Realtors representing the Planning & Zoning Commission, Gene Lantrip representing the Big Country Home Builders

Association, Joe Humphrey representing the Abilene Independent School District, Tal Fillingim representing the design community, Kevin Philips representing the development community, the HDR Consultants and city staff. Three stakeholder committee meetings were conducted; and through this process, HDR was able to develop a Stormwater Drainage Capital Improvement Program with a top-ten project list, and a road map for its implementation.

As part of the presentation, Mr. Vitale discussed the progress to date and encouraged feedback from the city council. A final deliverable plan is to include the final version of the Stormwater Master Drainage Plan, a city council presentation, and financing options for implementation of a drainage plan. The final deliverable plan is targeted for completion in early 2018.

No action was taken on this item.

- 3.3 **Public Comment:** There will be no votes or any formal actions taken on subjects presented during public comment. The public comment period will only allow members of the public to present ideas and information to city officials and staff

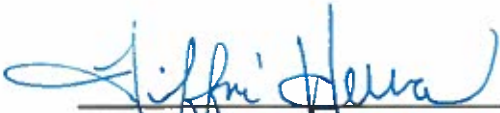
Mayor Williams opened the public comment period. The following addressed the city council:

- Diane Martin – flood insurance concern
- Winston Olheusen – diversion west of town being best option
- Jack Hadlock – flume on property at residence
- David Swart – stormwater fee; drainage ditch need

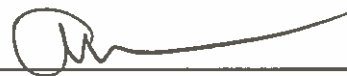
With no other speakers coming forward, Mayor Williams closed the public comment period.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Tiffni Herrera, TRMC
Interim City Secretary



Anthony Williams
Mayor