

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2019 at 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 May 9, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 Walnut St. Mayor Anthony Williams was present and presiding with Mayor Pro-tem Kyle McAlister and Councilmembers Shane Price, Donna Albus, Weldon Hurt and Jack Rentz. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Steve Savage was absent. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, Interim City Secretary Shawna Atkinson, and various members of the City staff.

Mayor Pro-tem Kyle McAlister delivered the invocation.

From Ward Elementary, Lily Muzechenko, fifth grader, and Landry Sims, first grader, and from Thomas Elementary, Truth Burluson, Luke Jackson, Zoey Wallace and Jackson Chavez, all fifth graders, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and State of Texas Flag.

#### PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Proclamation
  - James “Cowboy” Francis – presented in recognition of Western Heritage Day
  - Ride of Silence & Bicycle Awareness Month – presented to E’Lisa Smetana of the Abilene Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Mark Spurlock and Bill Minter with Steamboat Cycling Club
  - Lyme Disease Awareness Month – presented to Kerri Seago and Meagan Roth
  - National Nurses Week – presented to Mindy Flow and Jennifer Pritchard with the West Texas VA Health Care System
  - Destination Imagination Teams Day – presented to the Wylie ISD Gifted Program students, Kim Cheek the Program Coordinator and Wylie ISD Superintendent Joey Light
- Employee Service Award
  - Marie Noe, Library – 40 Years
  - Larry Brooks, Fleet Maintenance – 35 Years

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 3-11. No items were pulled for individual consideration.

Councilmember Hurt moved to approve the Consent Agendas as presented. Councilmember Rentz seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Albus, Rentz, and Hurt

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

4. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on approving the minutes from Regular Meeting Held on April 25, 2019
5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving a Professional Services Contract extension with Datroo Technologies  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 97-2019]

6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Purchasing Enterprise Licensing from Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 98-2019]
7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving Purchases from Dell, Inc.  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 99-2019]
8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving a Purchase to Upgrade Kronos Software  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 100-2019]
9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the purchase of an HP Nimble Storage from CWD Government, LLC  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 101-2019]
10. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving purchases from SHI Government Solutions, Inc.  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 102-2019]
11. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Awarding Bid No. CB #-1941, Safety City project, to Bontke Brothers Construction of Abilene  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 103-2019]

#### REGULAR AGENDA

12. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on awarding a bid to Bill Starks Construction Company for the East Lake Road 16" Water Line and Fiber Optic Line Project  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 104-2019]

Rodney Taylor, Director of Water Utilities, presented the item. Adoption of the item would award the bid for the East Lake Road 16" Water Line and Fiber Optic Line Project to Bill Starks Construction Company.

Council asked if this will resolve the current issues with the supply line to the prisons. Mr. Taylor clarified that this line will be able to carry the full load if problems arise with the older lines.

Councilmember Price moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Albus seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Albus, Rentz, and Hurt

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

13. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action to execute a professional services contract with CADCO Architects-Engineers, Inc. for design services for a new fire department Fire Training Facility  
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 93-2019]

Cande Flores, Fire Chief, presented the item. Adoption of the item would authorize the execution of the project design for a new educational facility for the Abilene Fire Department, utilizing CADCO Architects-Engineers, Inc.

Mayor Williams opened a public hearing on the item. The following addressed the City Council:

- David Swart – gave a cultural reference for when the current fire training facility was built in 1977 – Smokey and the Bandit came out the same year. He stated that the recent purchase of a new ladder truck for Station 5 has more than paid for itself by rescuing flood victims recently. He praised Council and the Abilene Fire Department for all their work.

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

Councilmember Hurt moved to approve the item as presented. Mayor Pro-tem McAlister seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Albus, Rentz, and Hurt

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

14. Ordinance and Public Hearing (Final Reading): **Z-2019-09** Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a request from Abilene Forrest Hill, LLC, agent Jacob & Martin Engineering, to rezone property from Residential Single-Family (RS-8) zoning to a mixture of Residential Single-Family (RS-6) and Multi-Family (MF) zoning districts on all or part of 42 acres out of T.C. Garner Survey in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and bordering east side of Old Forrest Hill Road, south from Forrest Hill Road  
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-2019]

Zack Rainbow, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would change the zoning classification on the above referenced property from Single-Family Residential (RS-8) to a combination of Single-Family (RS-6) and Medium Density (MD).

Council questioned if Forrest Hill Road would be able to handle the influx of traffic from this new development and who would be responsible for any upgrades to the roads. Mr. Rainbow clarified that the developer would be responsible for half of the improvements but as a section of the road was gifted to the City of Abilene, the City would be responsible for a portion, and that infrastructures would have to be in place before any permits would be issued.

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

- Clayton Farrow, engineer for the owner – stated the original intent for the project was for around one-dozen duplexes only

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

Mayor Pro-tem McAlister moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Rentz seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (5): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Rentz, and Albus

NAYS (1): Councilmember Hurt

ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

15. Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a request from The Well Abilene, to rezone property from Light Industrial (LI) zoning to Central Business (CB) zoning district on property at 709 North 2nd Street  
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 27-2019]

Zack Rainbow, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would change the zoning classification on the above referenced property from Light Industrial (LI) to Central Business (CB).

Mayor Williams opened the public hearing; and with no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Hurt moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Price seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Rentz, Albus, and Hurt  
NAYS (0): None  
ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

- David Swart – spoke about the Convention Center Hotel development. He stated that the City Manager recently said this hotel would be a cut above the rest of the hotels in Abilene. He did some research and stated that Abilene currently has two 4-Star hotels, but Doubletree Hotels are normally only 3-Stars. He also addressed the parking issue downtown and thinks the idea of across-the-street parking is a bad idea. He also reminded Council about the National Letter Carrier's Food Drive this coming weekend.

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

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Williams recessed into Executive Session at 9:52 a.m. pursuant to the following of the Open Meetings Act, with the following issues discussed during this session, as listed on the agenda and authorized by the noted Texas Government Code Section:

- 16.A 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
  - 6. Brad McGary v. the City of Abilene
  - 11. Pensco Trust FBO Faith Ann Cheek v. City of Abilene
- 16.B 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property)
  - 1. The Cotton Warehouse
  - 2. 302 Medical Drive
- 16.D 551.074 (Personnel Matters)
  - 1. City Secretary
  - 2. City Manager
- 16.F 551.087 (Business Prospect/Economic Development)
  - 1. Abilene Convention Center Hotel Project
  - 2. Windsor Hotel
  - 3. Civic Plaza Hotel

The Executive Session ended at 10:09 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Williams reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

17. Resolution: Appointing Members to various Boards and Commissions per the City Charter [ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 104-2019]

Councilmember Price moved to (re)appoint the following.

Board	Term End Date
<i>Abilene Convention Center Hotel Development Corporation</i>	
Norm Archibald [Reappointment]	
Sandra Harper [Reappointment]	
Jesse Cardenase [Reappointment]	
<i>Keep Abilene Beautiful, Inc</i>	
Cristal Munillo [New]	September 2019 (unexpired Term)
Sarah Bacon [New]	September 2022
Jared Bailey [New]	September 2022
<i>Landmarks Commission</i>	
John Scott [New]	November 2020 (unexpired term)
<i>MPE/Swimming Pool Board of Appeals</i>	
Pete Torres [Reappointment]	May 2020

Councilmember Rentz seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister and Councilmembers Price, Albus, Rentz, and Hurt

NAYS (0): None

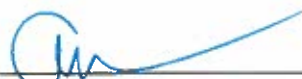
ABSENT (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Savage

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.



Shawna Atkinson  
 Interim City Secretary



Anthony Williams  
 Mayor

Minutes approved on: May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

