

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 26, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas met in Regular Session on May 26, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. at the South Branch Library, Mall of Abilene, 4310 Buffalo Gap Road. Mayor Pro-tem Weldon Hurt was present and presiding, along with Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Donna Albus, and Councilmembers Shane Price, Lynn Beard, Kyle McAlister and Travis Craver. Mayor Anthony Williams was absent. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and Deputy City Secretary Kaitlin Richardson.

Mayor Pro-tem Weldon Hurt delivered the invocation.

Sterling Bush, Royce Lane, Zackary McLaughlin, Keshia McLaughlin, Jessalyn Patterson, Ethan Montoya, Cheri Bates, and Salem Holloman, from various Abilene schools, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and State of Texas Flag.

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- Proclamations:
 - Lyme Disease Awareness Month – accepted by Lea Holloman.
 - Flood Awareness Week – accepted by the staff of Stormwater Services and Public Works.
 - State Farm Day – accepted by Risha Sanders and local State Farm agents in recognition of the company's 100th anniversary.

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 3-12. No items were pulled for individual consideration. Item 7 was pulled from consideration prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Pro-tem Hurt opened the public comment period. The following addressed the city council:

- David Swart – spoke about Memorial Day and the meaning of the holiday.
- Jennifer Bell – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Rebecca Gangridge – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Craig Istre – spoke about books at the Public Library that he thinks are inappropriate.
- Alice Brown – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Erika Batton – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Cheslae Istre – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Ruby Batton – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Francisca Rodriguez – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Denise Marsh – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.
- Edward Mufas – spoke about books at the Public Library that he thinks are inappropriate.
- James Sargent – spoke about books at the Public Library that he thinks are inappropriate.
- Charles Byrn – spoke about books at the Public Library that he thinks are inappropriate.
- Tonya Ortiz – spoke about books at the Public Library that she thinks are inappropriate.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember McAlister moved to approve the consent agenda, consisting of items 3-6 and 8-12. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Albus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Pro-tem Hurt, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Albus, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, McAlister, and Craver

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Mayor Williams

3. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on May 12, 2022, and the Special Meeting Held on May 17, 2022

4. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Appointing Members to Various Boards and Commissions per the City Charter
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 84-2022]

5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Awarding the Rebid for the Purchase of Bulk Alum and LAS Chemicals Used by Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants in Fiscal Year 2022
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 85-2022]

6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approval of Change Order of Contract: Street Resurfacing Project Workzone N15A
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 86-2022]

8. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2022-09: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From Gregory And Marcia Straughn Within The Subdivision Known As The Hillview Addition To Change Zoning Of Approximately 3.906 Acres From Agricultural Open (AO) To Residential Single-Family District-12 (RS-12)

9. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2022-10: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From The Collective Owners Of Property Within The Subdivision Known As The Green Acres Addition To Change The Zoning Of .909 Acres From General Retail (GR) To A Planned Development District (PD-176) on the 2100 Block Of N Willis St., Abilene, Taylor County, Texas

10. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2022-11: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From Patrick Cowen To Change Zoning From Light Industrial (LI) To Heavy Commercial (HC) On Approximately 3 Acres At The 4200 Block Of Burl Harris Dr. Abilene In Taylor County, Texas

11. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2022-02: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From The Collective Owners Of Property Within The Subdivision Known As Original Town Of Abilene To Allow The Use Of Automobile Repair And Maintenance Services-Minor Within The Central Business (CB) District, 633 Oak Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas

12. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2022-05: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From The Collective Owners Of Property Within The Subdivision Known As Original Town Of Abilene To Allow The Use Of Wholesaling & Storage-Indoor Within The Central Business (CB) District, 149 Oak Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSIDERATION

7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving a Change Order for City Facility Improvements (Festival Park District) with DPR Construction
[NOT CONSIDERED]

REGULAR AGENDA

12. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving an Application/Permit to Drill and/or Operate an Oil and/or Gas well – Ledger Operating Corporation: “City of Abilene #8A”, Permit No. 875681, located at 4242 East Lake Road
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 88-2022]

Max Johnson, Director of Public Works, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a permit to drill and/or operate an oil and/or gas well at 4242 East Lake Road.

Mayor Pro-tem Hurt opened the public-hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

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

AYES (6): Mayor Pro-tem Hurt, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Albus, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, McAlister, and Craver

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Mayor Williams

EXECUTIVE SESSION


Mayor Pro-tem Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:20 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:

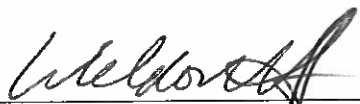
13. D. 551.074 (Personnel Matters)
1. City Manager
13. F. 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property)
1. Allen Ridge Walking Trail

The Executive Session ended at 9:47 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Pro-tem Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.


Shawna Atkinson
City Secretary


Weldon Hurt
Deputy Mayor Pro-tem

Minutes approved on: June 9, 2022