

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 25, 2023 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 25, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 Walnut St. Mayor Weldon Hurt was present and presiding, along with Mayor Pro-tem Shane Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Lynn Beard, and Councilmembers Blaise Regan, Brian Yates, Kyle McAlister, and Travis Craver. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and City Secretary Shawna Atkinson

Councilmember Blaise Regan delivered the invocation.

Councilmember Brian Yates led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and State of Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Presentations & Proclamations:
 - National Public Works Week – accepted by Public Works Staff
 - National Flood Awareness Week – accepted by Emergency Management Staff
 - Receipt of Gift from Local Church – Dr. Jay Miller with Mosaic Church presented the Abilene Police Department with a \$1,000 donation to the victims crisis fund.

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 3-14. Item 5 was pulled from consideration prior to the meeting. No items were pulled for individual consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

- Theresa Manningly Clause – spoke about the Sandman sculpture being donated and how she believes it is disturbing.
- Tammy Fogle – spoke about how big the council packet was, and that she noticed the Sanctuary City for the Unborn Ordinance was under executive session.
- Eric Bengs – spoke about the policy that says citizens who do not reside within the city limits are not able to be a part of the book reconsideration process at the library. He believes it's discrimination and would like council to take another look at that.
- Donna Albus – stated how she stopped a street sweeper to thank him and the employee stated when someone stops him it is usually to complain. She also stated that she knows a lot of effort goes into these meetings, and if you don't spend at least 20 hours a week helping a local non-profit, you don't have a leg to stand on and complain.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of items 3-4, and 6-14. Councilmember Craver seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

3. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on May 11, 2023, and the Special Meeting Held on May 16, 2023
4. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving a Transfer of the Texas Enterprise Zone Designation of ARMC, LP to Hendrick Medical Center
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 92-2023]
6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Donation of the Contents of the Boy Scout Building
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 94-2023]
7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Accepting Permanent Sculptures Donated to the City of Abilene
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 95-2023]
8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Awarding Bid to AML Environmental for City Hall Asbestos Abatement
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 96-2023]
9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving a Contract for the Heavy Cleaning, CCTV Inspection, and CIPP Insertion Lining of Certain Sewer Main Sections
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 97-2023]
10. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Approve an Agreement with McGriff Insurance Services, Inc. to Provide Employee Benefits Consulting
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 98-2023]
11. Ordinance (First Reading) HOZ-2023-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on A Request From Third And Pine, LP To Apply Historic Overlay Zoning To Approximately .16 Acres Zoned Central Business (CB) Located at 302 Pine Street
12. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2023-07: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From Coffee Momma LLC To Change Zoning From PDD-128 To General Retail, Located at 701 S. Judge Ely Blvd.
13. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2023-11: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From Bridgestone Bandag, LLC To Change Zoning From Light Industrial To Heavy Industrial, located at 4962 FM 18
14. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2023-13: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on A Request From Dennis Ray Dunnam II And Mollie Victoria Dunnam To Change Zoning From Agricultural Open (AO) And General Commercial (GC) To General Commercial, located at 411 ES 11th Street

PULLED FROM CONSIDERATION

5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Authoring the City Manager to enter into a contract with Brightly for a Work Order and Asset Management Software
[NOT CONSIDERED]

REGULAR AGENDA

15. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving and Adopting the 2023 Parks and Recreation Master Plan
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 99-2023]

Lesli Andrews, Director of Parks & Recreation, introduced Keith with Brandsetter Carroll Inc., who presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve and adopt the 2023 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Council shared their questions and comments in regards to what they would like to see in the plan.

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

- Tammy Fogle – stated she was disappointed to see that only 1,000 citizens participated in the survey. She stated that was a reflection on what the city is doing to engage the community.

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

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

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver

NAYS (0): None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

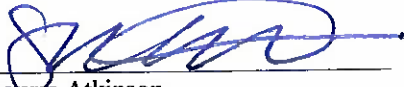
Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:28 a.m., pursuant to the following of the Open Meetings Act, with the following issues discussed during this session, as listed on the agenda and authorized by the noted Texas Government Code Section:

16. B. 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
1. Richard Scheriger, et al v. City of Abilene
 2. Sanctuary City for the Unborn Ordinance
16. D. 551.076 (Personnel Matters)
1. City Manager

The Executive Session ended at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.



Shawna Atkinson
City Secretary



Weldon Hurt
Mayor

Minutes approved on: June 8, 2023

