ELGIN CITY CITY COUNCIL

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January 9, 2024
6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Pro Tem Brashar called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL
Mayor Pro Tem Brashar called roll call. Mayor McShan and Mr. Callahan were not in attendance. Mr. Swain made a motion to approve their absences. Ms. Love seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

INVOCATION
Mr. Dennis provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mayor Pro Tem Brashar led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no one from the audience who wished to speak under the public comment item.

PRESENTATION

1. **Bastrop County Public Health Task Force Presentation**
   Donna Nichols, Interim Director for the Bastrop County Public Health Department, provided a presentation about the initiative to create a Public Health Task Force Committee and answered questions of the Council. Ms. Love volunteered to serve on the task force. It was decided that the City Council would bring ideas about whom the community service representative would be and submit ideas to the Mayor and the City Manager. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar identified Beth Rollingsworth with Advocacy Outreach as an option. Discussion followed. Mr. Rodriguez left the dais at 6:55 p.m. and returned at 6:57 p.m.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

1. **City of Elgin 101 Presentation**
   Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary, provided a presentation about the City of Elgin 101 and answered questions of the Council.

2. **General Activity Report and/or Project Update**
   Ms. Miller announced that Elizabeth Marzec was awarded the Parks Professional of the Year by the Texas Recreation and Parks Society Central Region. Ms. Miller announced that

there would be a Martin Luther King Jr. walk in Smithville on Monday. She provided updates about the ongoing parks projects.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **City Council Regular Meeting Minutes-December 5, 2023**
   The minutes were pulled and were moved to the next meeting.

2. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS ADOPTING A CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION PLAN UNDER THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE MITIGATION METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION (GLO MIT MOD) PROGRAM**
   The resolution was approved on the consent agenda.

3. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT MITIGATION METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION (CDBG-MIT MOD) APPLICATION TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CDBG-MIT MOD PROGRAM.**
   The resolution was approved on the consent agenda.

4. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ATP SOLUTIONS TO PROVIDE WI-FI IN VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK EXPANSION AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.**
   The resolution was approved on the consent agenda.

5. **CONSIDER WAIVING THE OPEN CONTAINER ORDINANCE ON MAIN STREET FROM LEXINGTON ROAD TO BRENHAM STREET; AND ON 2ND STREET, FIRST STREET, DEPOT STREET, CENTRAL AVENUE, AUSTIN STREET, BRENHAM STREET FROM MAIN STREET TO AVENUE B; AND ON AVENUE C FROM BRENHAM STREET TO 2ND STREET ON 2ND THURSDAYS: JANUARY 11, FEBRUARY 8, MARCH 14, APRIL 11, MAY 9, JUNE 13, JULY 11, AUGUST 8, SEPTEMBER 12, OCTOBER 10, NOVEMBER 14, DECEMBER 12, 2024.**
   The request was approved on the consent agenda.

   Mr. Swain made a motion to approve items 2, 3, 8,and 9 on the consent agenda. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FEES WITH FGM ARCHITECTS INC. RELATED TO THE ELGIN POLICE DEPARTMENT STATION PROJECT; AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.**
   The resolution was removed from the consent agenda. Mr. Gibson stated that he pulled this resolution for transparency and to discuss the numbers. Mr. Mattis provided information. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve items 4, 5, 6, and 7. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

2. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FEES WITH BAIRD/WILLIAMS**

CONSTRUCTION, LTD RELATED TO THE ELGIN POLICE DEPARTMENT STATION PROJECT; AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.
The resolution was removed from the consent agenda. Mr. Gibson stated that he pulled this resolution for transparency and to discuss the numbers. Mr. Mattis provided information. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve items 4, 5, 6, and 7. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

3. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO UPDATE AN AGREEMENT WITH TRC ENGINEERS FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO**
The resolution was removed from the consent agenda. Mr. Gibson stated that he pulled this resolution for transparency and to discuss the numbers. Mr. Mattis provided information. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve items 4, 5, 6, and 7. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

4. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH KOMPAN AND SYNLAWN CENTRAL TEXAS FOR PLAYGROUND INSTALLATION AND TURF IN VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK EXPANSION AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO**
The resolution was removed from the consent agenda. Mr. Gibson stated that he pulled this resolution for transparency and to discuss the numbers. Mr. Mattis provided information. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve items 4, 5, 6, and 7. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

5. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32 - SIGNS, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 4 – VARIANCES, SECTION 32-103 AMENDING AND CHAPTER 32 - SIGNS, ARTICLE V – PROHIBITED SIGNS, SECTION 32-267, REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE**
Mr. Mattis stated that the item was requested by Mayor Pro Tem Brashar to update the code to allow for garage sale signs, and he provided additional information. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar stated that many cities have similar ordinances. Discussion followed. Mr. Gibson made a motion to approve the ordinance. Ms. Love seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

6. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF FOUR PURSUIT RATED VEHICLES FROM SISBEE FORD INC. RELATED TO THE ELGIN POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL OPERATIONS; AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.**
Mr. Mattis stated that action tonight was to authorize the advance purchase of four patrol vehicles and provided additional information. Chief Noble provided further clarification about the issue of obtaining vehicles in today's market. Discussion followed. Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Dennis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

7. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN GRANTWORKS, INC AND THE CITY OF ELGIN FOR ADMINISTRATIVE WORK IN REGARD TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE'S (GLO) MITIGATION METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION (MIT MOD) GRANT PROGRAM.**

Mr. Mattis provided comments and stated that these two items were for the grant application discussed at previous meetings. Mr. Swain made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Casnovsky seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

8. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN TRC ENGINEERS, AND THE CITY OF ELGIN FOR DESIGN WORK IN REGARD TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE'S (GLO) MITIGATION METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION (MIT MOD) GRANT PROGRAM.**
   The resolution was discussed earlier in the meeting. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Swain seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was no executive session.

RECONVENE

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mr. Mattis stated that the compensation analysis would be presented at the next meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar thanked staff for their hard work.

ADJOURNMENT
Mayor Pro Tem Brashar adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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Theresa Y. McShan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Stubbs

Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary