

MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
ELGIN PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNEX CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
404 NORTH MAIN STREET
January 4, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ramirez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ron Ramirez, Mayor
Sue Brashar, Mayor Pro Tem
Arthur Gibson III, Council Member
Jessica Bega, Council Member
Thomas Ibis, Council Member
Matthew Callahan, Council Member
Forest Dennis, Council Member

Absent: Skyler Maldonado, Council Member
Susie Arreaga, Council Member

Mayor Ramirez stated Mr. Maldonado and Ms. Arreaga would not be in attendance. Mr. Dennis made a motion to excuse Mr. Maldonado and Ms. Arreaga. Mr. Ibis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried. Mayor Ramirez stated there was a quorum.

Staff: Thomas L. Mattis, City Manager
Mysty Nauck, Acting Chief Financial Officer
Pamela Sanders, HR Director
Amy Miller, Community Development Director
Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary
Michael Gonzalez, Public Works Director
Beau Perry, City Engineer
David Harrell, Dev. Services Director
Owen Rock, ED Director

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Brashar provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ramirez 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 HEARING

1. Public Hearing On An Ordinance Annexing Adjacent And Contiguous Territory To The City Of Elgin, Texas To Wit: 36.921 Acres Of Land, Lying In And Being Situated Out Of The William Hines Survey, No. 53, In Travis Co, TX, Including Adjacent Right-Of-Way, And Being Fully Described In Exhibit A Attached Hereto; Providing For A Savings Clause And Repealing Conflicting Ordinances And Resolutions.

No one wished to speak under the Public Hearing Item.

PRESENTATION

1. Proclamation 2022 Elgin Sesquicentennial Year

Mayor Ramirez read the proclamation and presented it to the 150th Committee.

2. PROCLAMATION DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY BASTROP COUNTY HOLIDAY COMMISSION CELEBRATION

Mayor Ramirez read the proclamation and presented it to the MLK Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Levi Bannigan, stated that he does not see a lot of minutes from the PSAC and wants to see more community engagement. He stated he wants to see new board members.

Stephanie Lippke, 1112 N. Main, stated that the 1.5 million in CO bond money has been used to purchase one generator. She stated we are behind and the money needs to be used to the benefit of the citizens instead of waiting for grant money.

Joy Casnovsky, 534 Old McDade Rd, stated she has tried to serve on the Boards & Commissions before. She asked that the process be updated.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

1. Update On 2021 Certificates Of Obligation - Capital Investment Program

Mr. Mattis provided a presentation and stated there is great progress happening on each project.

2. General Activity Report And/Or Project Update

Mr. Mattis invited Ms. Miller up to the dais. Ms. Miller stated there had been 3,300 COVID-19 test kits distributed throughout the community. She stated the COVID-19 vaccine clinics were also a success and is waiting to see the schedule for 2022. Ms. Miller stated there is a COVID-19 testing trailer in the works.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes - December 7, 2021

The item passed on the consent agenda.

2. A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF ELGIN DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - MITIGATION PROGRAM (CDBG-MIT) GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 22-082-009-D207

The resolution passed on the consent agenda.

3. A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF ELGIN DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - MITIGATION PROGRAM (CDBG-MIT) GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 22-085-029-D270

The resolution passed on the consent agenda.

4. A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN REGARDING CIVIL RIGHTS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The resolution passed on the consent agenda.

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION'S (EDA) FY 2021 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE GRANT PROGRAM

The resolution was taken off the consent agenda and moved to the top of new business.

Mayor Pro Tem Brashar made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Ibis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION'S (EDA) FY 2021 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Mattis stated that this is authorizing the submission of an EDA grant to complete the roadway. Mr. Dennis made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

2. AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING ADJACENT AND CONTIGUOUS TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, TO WIT: 36.921 ACRES OF LAND, LYING IN AND BEING SITUATED OUT OF THE WILLIAM HINDS SURVEY, NO. 53 IN TRAVIS COUNTY TEXAS, INCLUDING ADJACENT RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND BEING FULLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A", ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mattis stated that this is a piece of property planned for a development district. He provided additional comments and answered questions of the Council. Mr. Ibis made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

3. AN ORDINANCE ASSIGNING NEWLY ANNEXED PROPERTY AND ADJACENT RIGHT-OF-WAY TO CITY COUNCIL WARD AREA NO. 2; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mattis stated that this was a routine item. He stated after the annexation, the property needs to be assigned to a Council Ward. Mr. Mattis stated a reassignment of the ward districts is possible in the near future. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar made a motion to approve the Ordinance as read. Mr. Ibis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

4. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD A BID FOR THE PORTABLE GENERATOR PROJECT TO ALTERRA POWER SYSTEMS OF SUN PRAIRIE, WISCONSIN; AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO

Mr. Mattis stated that this is a part of the CO funding from last year. He stated this is to acquire a portable generator. Mr. Mattis answered questions of the Council. Mr. Ibis made a motion to

approve the Resolution as read. Mr. Dennis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

5. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 44, VEGETATION, ARTICLE I IN GENERAL, DIVISION 3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mattis stated this item was on the last agenda and was tabled. He stated this was reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Harrell stated the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar asked if the developers can be responsible and not the homeowners. Discussion followed. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar made a motion to not approve the Ordinance as presented. Mr. Ibis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

6. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 BUSINESS, REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, DELETING IN THEIR ENTIRETY SECTION 8.156, AND ADDING SECTIONS 8-157.107 THROUGH 8-157.110, REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

Ms. Stubbs presented and answered questions of the Council. Mr. Ibis made a motion to approve the Ordinance as discussed. Mr. Dennis seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion was carried.

7. Appointment/Re-Appointment Of Members To Various City Commissions, Boards, And/Or Committees Including The Planning & Zoning Commission, Board Of Adjustments, Library Advisory Board, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Economic Development Corporation Board Of Directors, Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Board Of Directors, Historic Review Board, Main Street Board Of Directors, And Building Standards Commission

Mr. Mattis stated there are twenty-four vacancies on the Boards & Commissions. Ms. Bega mentioned that term limits might provide new opportunities for others to serve. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar brought up going through the Ordinance again. She asked for input from the Board chairs. Mr. Callahan stated he agreed with bringing in new members. Discussion followed. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar made a motion to table the item. Mr. Callahan seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council may announce that it will adjourn the public meeting at any time during the meeting and convene in Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to discuss any matter as specifically listed on the agenda and/or as permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

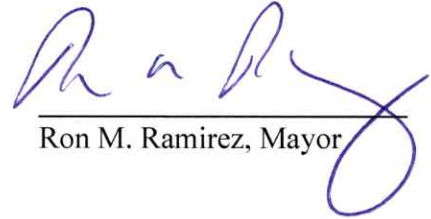
Mayor Ramirez stated the Council would not be retiring into Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Dennis thanked everyone in attendance for being here tonight for the 150th kick off event and asked if attendees would take signs. Mayor Pro Tem Brashar reminded those in attendance of the MLK walk on January 17th in Bastrop.

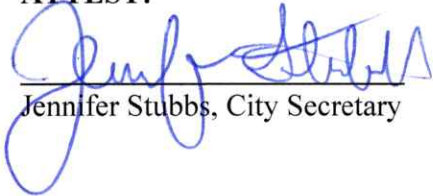
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.



Ron M. Ramirez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary