

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
EULESS CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, February 9, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Euless City Council was called to order by Mayor Linda Martin at 4:32 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, in the Precouncil Conference Room of City Hall, 201 North Ector Drive. Those present included Mayor Linda Martin, Council Members Jeremy Tompkins, Eddie Price, Linda Eilenfeldt, and Harry Zimmer. Mayor Pro Tem Tim Stinneford arrived at 4:33 p.m. Council Member Perry Bynum arrived at 4:37 p.m.

During the Precouncil meeting:

- Mayor Linda Martin welcomed members of the Harmony Science Academy Student Council.
- Council Member Linda Eilenfeldt announced that she and Mayor Martin attended the Trinity Swim Team Pre-District luncheon on Friday, January 22, 2016. Additionally, she congratulated Assistant to the City Manager Betsy Deck and Fire Inspector Ken Rawlinson for the awards they received at the 6Stones Catalyst of Hope luncheon held Thursday, February 4, 2016.
- Mayor Martin expressed her appreciation to Council Members Linda Eilenfeldt, Eddie Price, and Jeremy Tompkins for attending the Tarrant County Mayors Council meeting on Monday, February 1, 2016. Additionally, she announced the retirement of Library Administrative Secretary Karan Jasper.
- City Secretary Kim Sutter announced that early voting for Primary Elections begin Tuesday, February 16, 2016 for the Tuesday, March 1, 2016 Primary Election Day. The Mary Lib Saleh Euless Public Library will serve as an early voting location.
- City Manager Loretta Getchell provided an update related to the intersection of Pipeline Road and Driftwood Drive. She advised that construction to improve the co-efficiency of friction on the existing pavement could be funded through the baseline budget at a cost of \$25,000, and work could begin in early March if weather permits.
- City Manager Getchell reviewed the regular agenda.
- Assistant City Manager Chris Barker introduced Fiona Allen, Northern Region Manager, Trinity River Authority (TRA). Ms. Allen provided an update related to the TRA's 2008 bond refunding which will result in a total estimated savings to the City in the amount of \$1.5 million or \$108,000 annually through 2028.

Council Member Perry Bynum requested an update at an upcoming meeting regarding the TRA projects in the city, specifically Eastcliff, Westcliff, and Wilshire neighborhood.

- City Manager Getchell requested Assistant City Manager Chris Barker present the transportation update.

Assistant City Manager Barker advised that the Midtown Express construction schedule has been revised. He stated that the changes to the construction timeline include the permanent closure of the Ector Drive exit effective March 4, 2016 and the Main Street Bridge and pedestrian bridge are expected to close in June 2016. He added that staff will attend weekly meetings with Southgate Constructors to remain apprised of the project and the construction timeline.

City Manager Getchell advised the City Council of the plan to keep interested parties apprised of the construction schedule and changes thereto, including the city's website and plans for an informational meeting to be held on February 23, 2016.

Discussion ensued regarding completion of construction elements and order of reconstruction related to the project as well working with the Hurst-Eules-Bedford Independent School District (HEBISD) to ensure safe pedestrian passage for students.

- Police Chief Mike Brown presented an update related to the crime prevention ordinance and the new security video system requirements for Eules businesses.
- Director of Parks and Community Services Ray McDonald provided an update related to The Parks at Texas Star Phase V project (60/90, synthetic turf infield design) and proposed the field name of "Legends Field".

Discussion ensued regarding warm-up areas and seating areas.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened into closed session at 6:15 p.m. for deliberation regarding the following:

- Concerning legal advice from the City Attorney as authorized by Section 551.071:
 - Enforcement Action On Substandard Properties

The City Council recessed closed session at 6:51 p.m.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF SCHEDULED ITEMS – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Eules City Council continued their meeting in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. for consideration of scheduled items.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Loretta Getchell
Deputy City Manager Bob Freeman
Assistant City Manager Chris Barker
City Attorney Wayne Olson
City Secretary Kim Sutter
Deputy City Secretary Lindsay Wells
Police Chief Mike Brown
Director of Planning and Economic Development Mike Collins
Director of Public Works and Engineering Hal Cranor
Finance Director Janina Jewell
Director of Parks and Community Services Ray McDonald
Fire Chief Wes Rhodes
Assistant to the City Manager Betsy Deck
Information Services Administrator Scott Joyce
Library Administrator Sherry Knight
Fleet and Facility Administrator Kyle McAdams
Human Resources/Risk Administrator Carolyn Marshall

VISITORS

Jamal Aloffe	Carol Kveck	Barney Snitz
Jim Dewey	Chris McAllister	Lori Tompkins
Darl Easton	Don Martin	Peggy Vandiver
Nancy Gordon	Kay Price	
Lisa Karr	Tommy Rush	

INVOCATION

Assistant City Manager Chris Barker gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Jeremy Tompkins led the pledge of allegiance.

ITEM NO. 1. PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEE SERVICE PINS

Police Chief Mike Brown introduced Code Compliance Inspector I James Patterson. James was accompanied by his wife, Jaime, son, Andrew, daughter, Kimberly, and members of the Police and Code Compliance Department. Mayor Martin presented James with a service pin commemorating his 5 years of service with the City.

Fire Chief Wes Rhodes introduced Firefighter II/Paramedic Irving Alvarado. Irving was accompanied by his wife, Brenda, son, Brody, and members of the Fire Department.

Mayor Martin presented Irving with a service pin commemorating his 10 years of service with the City.

Fire Chief Wes Rhodes introduced Driver/Engineer/Paramedic Jeremy Goodman. Jeremy was accompanied by his wife, Michelle, sons, Cade and Cooper, and members of the Fire Department. Mayor Martin presented Jeremy with a service pin commemorating his 10 years of service with the City.

Fire Chief Wes Rhodes introduced Firefighter II/Paramedic Josh Williams. Josh was accompanied by members of the Fire Department. Mayor Martin presented Josh with a service pin commemorating his 10 years of service with the City.

ITEM NO. 2. PRESENTATION OF AWARD

Mayor Martin presented Library Administrator Sherry Knight with the 2015 Achievement of Library Excellence Award presented to the Mary Lib Saleh Eules Public Library. Ms. Knight explained the requirements for the award as well as detailed accomplishments of the library including that the library has won this award for 11 years in a row. She was accompanied by library staff and members of the Library Board.

CONSENT AGENDA (items 3 and 4)

Mayor Martin asked Assistant City Manager Chris Barker to read each item into the record.

Mayor Pro Tem Stinneford motioned to approve the consent agenda items number 3 and 4.

Council Member Tompkins seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Martin, Mayor Pro Tem Stinneford, Council Members Tompkins, Price, Eilenfeldt, Zimmer, and Bynum

Nays: None

Mayor Martin declared the motion carried.

ITEM NO. 3. AUTHORIZED CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

The approved FY 2016 budget included funds allocated for a study of the City's park system. The study will serve as a valuable tool in identifying current and future park projects by establishing an overall system assessment and evaluation and making recommendations for current renovations and future improvements to our park system.

ITEM NO. 4. APPROVED CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Approved City Council minutes of the regular meeting of January 26, 2016.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM NO. 5. APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 16-1486

Assistant City Manager Barker advised that the resolution authorizes the Texas Coalition for Affordable Power, Inc. (TCAP), to negotiate an electric supply agreement for five years for deliveries of electricity effective January 1, 2018, and act as an agent on behalf of the City, and to honor the City's commitments to purchase power for its electrical needs in 2018 through 2022 through TCAP.

Council Member Eilenfeldt motioned to approve Resolution No. 16-1486, authorizing the Texas Coalition for Affordable Power, Inc. (TCAP) to negotiate an Electric Supply Agreement for five years for deliveries of electricity effective January 1, 2018.

Council Member Price seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Martin, Mayor Pro Tem Stinneford, Council Members Tompkins, Price, Eilenfeldt, Zimmer, and Bynum

Nays: None

Mayor Martin declared the motion carried.

ITEM NO. 6. HELD PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIFIC USE PERMIT NO. 15-08-PD AND APPROVED FIRST AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2101

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

Director of Planning and Economic Development Collins presented the item to the City Council and stated that the applicant, Mr. Jamal Aloffe, has requested a change in zoning to property that is part of the J.E. Whitener subdivision that was platted in 1950. The property is zoned R-1 single family residential. However, when the property was laid out in 1955, the lots were designed to be large enough to accommodate horses, but were not wide enough to further subdivide into appropriately sized single family lots. The developer will combine a portion of Lot 1 and Lot 2 of the original subdivision to construct a 17 lot single family cul-de-sac development. In June 2015, Bloomfield Homes received zoning approval for the Hearthstone Planned Development to create a similar subdivision immediately adjacent to the north. The proposed planned development zoning district will establish architectural design standards for the project that are similar to Hearthstone and other recently approved subdivisions located south of State Highway 10. The Planning and Zoning Commission considered this Planned Development at their January 19, 2016, regular meeting and voted to recommend approval with a vote of 5-0-0.

Mayor Martin asked to hear from any proponents followed by opponents wishing to speak regarding the case. Seeing none, the public hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m.

Jim Dewey, JDJR Engineers, 2500 Texas Drive #100, Irving, Texas, representing Mr. Aloffe, was present to address any questions.

Council Member Tompkins inquired about stone and masonry requirements as well as fencing requirements.

Mr. Collins confirmed the stone and masonry requirements and stated that the earlier approved Bloomfield Homes development was approved with eight foot fencing and Mr. Aloffe has requested six foot fencing.

Council Member Tompkins requested eight foot fencing along the western facing properties and Mr. Dewey agreed to that change.

Council Member Bynum requested that any two story homes with windows facing east have translucent windows facing that direction. Mr. Dewey agreed to that change as well.

Council Member Tompkins inquired about a possible Homeowners Association (HOA). Mr. Dewey confirmed that an HOA would be necessary to maintain open areas.

Council Member Zimmer motioned to approve the first and final reading of Ordinance No. 2101, a request for a Planned Development to change the zoning on 2.959 acres of land located out of the J.E. Whitener Estate, Block 2, Portion of Lot 1 and Lot 2; from Single Family Detached Dwelling zoning district (R-1) to Planned Development (PD) zoning to allow single family residential, including the following two amendments to the design criteria as agreed to by the applicant:

14. Each home will have a stained wood fence six (6') foot tall with metal posts on the sides and rear of the lot with the exception of fences along the eastern property line which will be eight (8') foot tall.
16. Efforts will be made in the design of second floor rear elevations to minimize the number of windows, and consideration will be given to install translucent windows in the second story rear elevations.

Mayor Pro Tem Stinneford seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Martin, Mayor Pro Tem Stinneford, Council Members Tompkins, Price, Eilenfeldt, Zimmer, and Bynum

Nays: None

Mayor Martin declared the motion carried.

ITEM NO. 12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ITEM NO. 13. REPORTS

City Manager

No report given.

City Attorney

No report given.

City Council

Council Member Bynum stated that the Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance held Saturday, February 6, 2016, was well attended and participants were pleased with the event. He recognized and commended staff for hosting the event.

Mayor Martin made several announcements:

- o Assistant to the City Manager Betsy Deck was awarded the 6Stones 2015 Innovator award;
- o February 13, 2016, Heritage Park Museum presents Mike Brown Performance, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.;
- o February 14, 2016, Historical Preservation Committee Eules history drawing contest reception recognizing 4th grade students from South Eules Elementary; Mary Lib Saleh Eules Public Library, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Martin announced that the next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

ITEM NO. 14. ADJOURN

Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Linda Martin, Mayor

Kim Sutter, TRMC, City Secretary