

MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING
ELGIN PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
404 NORTH MAIN STREET
APRIL 20, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ramirez called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ron Ramirez, Mayor
Jessica Bega, Council Member
Juan Gonzalez, Council Member
Susie Arreaga, Council Member
Thomas Ibis, Council Member
Alvis Prince, Council Member
Forest Dennis, Council Member

Mayor Ramirez stated there was a quorum, and that Mayor Pro Tem Brashar and Council Member Penson had informed him of their absence and are excused but had not heard from Council Member Gonzalez. Mayor Ramirez asked for a motion to excuse Mayor Pro Tem Brashar and Council Member Penson

Council Member Bega moved to excuse Mayor Pro Tem Brashar and Council Member Penson. Council Member Dennis seconds the motion. Motion carried 6-0

Staff: Thomas L. Mattis, City Manager
Charles Cunningham, Finance Director
Michael Gonzalez, Parks Director
David Harrell, Planning Director
Pamela Sanders, HR Director
Amy Miller, Community Development Director
Beau Perry, City Engineer

INVOCATION

Mayor Ramirez gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ramirez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag and Texas Flag.

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Elgin Public Library Annex Council Chambers

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing on An Ordinance Amending Chapter 36, Subdivisions, Revised Code of Ordinances, City of Elgin, Texas, And Deleting in their entirety Sections 36.38 – 36.39, Repealing all other Ordinances and Parts of Ordinances in Conflict Therewith; And Providing for a Savings Clause.

Mayor Ramirez opened the Public Hearing and stated that no one was signed to speak during the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Ramirez opened the Public Comment period.

There were no Public Comments.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

1. Review and Discussion of the Proposed City of Elgin 2021 Certificates of Obligation and 2021 Refunding Bonds Program.

City Manager Thomas Mattis stated that he had not received any requests for a detailed presentation about any projects but did have some new information to share tonight.

City Manager Thomas Mattis stated that this was another review of the proposed issuance of certificates of obligation and refunding bonds and was the item they had been discussing for a couple of months. Mr. Mattis stated that he would go through the presentation and provide new information and discuss it if Council wanted to. He stated that that nearly every one of the projects had been discussed individually over the last couple of months and that Council was aware of the few items to be mentioned in tonight's presentation. Mr. Mattis provided a presentation regarding continuing discussions about investing now, planning for all projects, and prioritization. He stated staff continued to support initial recommended projects and funding, and that feedback from Council indicated a desire for certain adjustments and reduction in costs. He stated that he had developed a revised listing of projects and funding based on comments made at a prior council meeting and through discussion with individual Councilmembers and began the presentation. (The complete PowerPoint may be found on the city website).

2. Departmental Monthly Report – Period Ending March 31, 2021.

There were no questions or comments on the reports.

3. General Activity Report and/or Project Update.

City Manager Thomas Mattis stated there were no reports or updates.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2021.

Council Member Bega moved to approve item 1 on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Arreaga seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Mayor Ramirez asked that the record show that Council Member Gonzalez was present at 6:45 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 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 C; AND ON AVENUE C FROM BRENHAM STREET TO 2ND STREET ON 2ND THURSDAYS, MAY 13, JUNE 10, JULY 8, AUGUST 12, SEPTEMBER 9, OCTOBER 14, NOVEMBER 11, DECEMBER 9 FROM 5PM TO 8PM FOR SIP SHOP AND STROLL.

Council Member Dennis moved to approve item 1. Council Member Gonzalez seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02-05-01 FURTHER REGULATING THE CITY TRUCK TRAFFIC ROUTE AND PROHIBITING TRUCK TRAFFIC ON RAMIREZ ROAD; PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

Council Member Bega moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Council Member Gonzalez seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

3. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CODE BY DESIGNATING THE HOUSTON STREET AND MADISON STREET INTERSECTION AS ALL-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS.

Council Member Bega moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Council Member Dennis seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

4. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 36 SUBDIVISIONS, REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AND DELETING IN THEIR ENTIRTY SECTIONS 36.38 – 36.39. REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

Council Member Penson moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Council Member Dennis seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH TRC ENGINEERS INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION PROJECT AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.

Council Member Dennis moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Council Member Gonzalez seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQS) FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2021 SEVERE STORM GRANTS COVERING ALL FEMA/TDEM PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, HAZARD MITIGATION, AND BRIC GRANT PROGRAMS; AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.

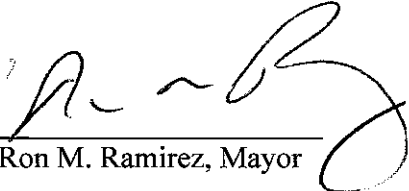
Council Member Bega moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Council Member Ibis seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

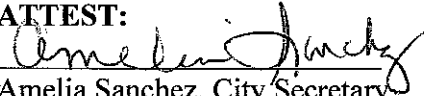
7. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQS) FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021.

Council Member Ibis moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Council Member Arreaga seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ramirez adjourned the City Council Meeting at 7:36 pm.


Ron M. Ramirez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amelia Sanchez, City Secretary