



City of Fredericksburg
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, April 2, 2024, ~ 3:00 p.m.
LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER
1601 E. MAIN STREET
FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS 78624

Mayor Jeryl Hoover
Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Watson
Councilmember Tony Klein
Councilmember Randy Briley
City Attorney, Mick McKamie - phone

Members Absent:

Councilmember Emily Kirchner

City Staff Present:

Clinton Bailey, City Manager
Garret Bonn, Assistant City Manager
Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief
Brian Vorauer, Police Chief
Andrea Schmidt, Director of Parks and Recreation
Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works and Utilities
Anna Hudson, Director of Development Services
Krista Wareham, Director of Finance
Aaron Anderegg, Interim Director of Information Technology
Leslie Embrey, Assistant to the City Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the April 2, 2024, Regular Meeting to order at 3:00 pm and announced that a quorum had been met.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Hoover introduced Jamey Vogel, County Resident and Business Owner, who led the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hoover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. CEREMONIAL MATTERS/PROCLAMATIONS/EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Mayor Hoover Proclaimed Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month for the month of April in Fredericksburg.

Mayor Hoover proclaimed National Telecommunicator Week for the week of April 14, 2024.

5. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Briley reported on the following:

- The city hosted and sponsored the Touch-A-Truck event and thanked staff for all the hard work put into that.
- Coffee with City Manager on March 27. Great communication from the community.
- Eclipse preparation update.

Councilmember Klein reported on the following:

- Community lost two former councilwomen in the last few weeks, Sharon Bailey and Ann Brey both served this community in many ways. He asked people to take a moment to remember them.

Mayor Pro Tem Watson provided the following events and meetings attended:

- Attended the Coffee with City Manager and the presentation was from the CEO, Clint Kotal of the Methodist- Hill Country Hospital and the resources they are putting into the hospital in the way of equipment, technology and staffing.
- Attended a Fredericksburg Food & Wine Fest meeting last week. Continue to plan for that event with the dates being October 25-26, 2024.
- Statement read from Councilmember Emily Kirchner, who was unable to attend the meeting today. She is driving back from a meeting with Governor Abbott at Texas Regional Headquarters in Harlingen and is sorry to miss the meeting.

Mayor Hoover reported the following on the reason for the time change of the meeting.

- Recognized the loss of Fredericksburg Farms Founder Steve McAnally who died in a tragic accident on his farm this past week hence the reason why we are having a late meeting today. Attended his funeral this morning with a packed house.

6. CONSENT

A. Consider approval of City Council Minutes for the following meetings:

- i. February 20, 2024, Joint Meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission
- ii. March 18, 2024, Special Meeting
- iii. March 19, 2024, Regular Meeting

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Klein and a second by Councilmember Watson to approve 6 A i-ii-iii of the Consent Agenda. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) against. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Ordinances, Resolutions and Public Hearings

A. Consider the approval of Resolution 2024-03R for an FY2025 Law Enforcement Utility Vehicle through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Grant Program (Brian Vorauer, Police Chief)

Alyssa Rivera Community Outreach Liaison for the Police Department gave an update on Resolution 2024-03R. for FY2025.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Watson and a second by Councilmember Briley to approve Resolution 2024-03R. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider the approval of Resolution 2024-04R for the FY2025 Office of the Governor, Victim Assistance, First Responder Programs Grant (Wellness Program) (Brian Vorauer, Police Chief)

Alyssa Rivera Community Outreach Liaison for the Police Department gave an update on Resolution 2024-04R.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Watson and a second by Councilmember Briley to approve Resolution 2024-04R. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. Consider the approval of Resolution 2024-05R adopting a Water Conservation Plan for the City of Fredericksburg and authorizing submission of the Plan to the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality and the Texas Water Development Board, providing for effective date and other related matters (Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works and Utilities)**

Carole Hammerson, City resident, commented on the extended drought and how we settle the issue from our community. A program through the state of Wisconsin – turn your lawn into a wildflower area. My suggestion is to set up a group of individuals to do a program like this program in Wisconsin.

Motion: A motion made by Councilmember Klein and a second by Councilmember Watson to approve Resolution 2024-05R adopting a Water Conservation Plan for the City of Fredericksburg and authorizing submission of the Plan to the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality and the Texas Water Development Board, providing for effective date and other related matters. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) against. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Other Action Items and Updates

- A. Consider a presentation and discussion on the 2024 Water Supply and Future Weather Outlook (Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works and Utilities).**

Kris Kneese gave an update and presentation on the current & future water usage in the City of Fredericksburg, along with Hill Country Underground Water Conservation District General Managers Paul Tybor & Paul Babb.

- B. Consider the approval of a contract with the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce to run the Fredericksburg Food and Wine Fest (Garret Bonn, Assistant City Manager)**

Garret Bonn gave an update – working with Chamber CEO Jim Mikula and Mick McKamie, City Attorney to develop an agreement to detail the responsibilities and goals of the event.

The event will continue to be held on the 4th weekend of October and would also include the traditionally held Patron party. The event would need to comply with the rules and regulations of all City events including a Special Events permit application along with all TCEQ, TABC and Texas Food Establishments rules and regulations. At the end of the year, The Chamber would be required to supply an annual report detailing number of attendees, advertising information, financial data and benefactors of the event.

Mikula and Haley Wakefield gave an update on the event.

Bonn informed the Council the agreement is still being reviewed by the City Attorney and will be ready for approval at the next City Council meeting.

- C. Consider the appeal of the denial of a Short-Term Rental-Unoccupied Permit Application requested by Travis and Quynn Dusek for the property located at 708 Whitney Street (Anna Hudson, Director of Development Services)**

Anna Hudson gave an update on the denial of the STR at 708 Whitney Street. It is an unoccupied in R1. Current owners purchased this home in June of 2021. STR permit expired in June of 2022 and changes to STR ordinance require all renewals to receive an inspection. The 2024 renewal process identified the Property of having an expired permit and is now ineligible for a new STR permit. HOT was not remitted for 2022 and part of 2023. Staff made the owner aware with multiple notifications. The owners are now current on HOT. The owners have now relocated to Washington due to family health issues and use the

property as a vacation rental for the family to come stay when available. The owner was receiving notifications under the old STR name. They have since hired a local company to manage the property for cleaning etc. and owners handle all other interactions.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Klein and a second by Councilmember Briley to deny the appeal request for 8-C for property on 708 Whitney Street. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Consider the appeal of a denial of a Short-Term Rental-Unoccupied Permit Application requested by Paul and Carrie Wikander for the property located at 1005 S. Adams (Anna Hudson, Director of Development Services)

Anna Hudson gave an update on the denial of the property for a STR. Property has been operating for several years and Mr. Wikander failed in 2023 to renew and has only missed one quarter of HOT payment. The change of the 2024 ordinance no longer allows a permit in R2. This is unoccupied property, does not live there and is used exclusively for STR. Due to non-renewal of permit it is now not eligible for a STR.

Mr. Wikander was available to answer questions and does manage his own STR and is a county resident.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Briley and a second by Councilmember Klein to accept the appeal as stated for item 8-D and remove the denial. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Consider the approval of the Strategic Procurement Policy and Procedures, April 2024 Edition (Krista Wareham, Director of Finance)

Janelle Chapman gave a presentation on Procurement Policy and Procedures.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Briley and a second by Councilmember Klein to approve 8-E as stated, the Strategic Procurement Policy and Procedures, April 2024 Edition. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Consideration and possible action relating to a settlement agreement in the case of the State of Texas, et al. Association Against Fredericksburg Annexations vs. City of Fredericksburg, Texas, pending in 216th District Court (Cause No. 17175) (Anna Hudson - Director of Development Services)

This item was discussed in Executive Session and acted on under Item 11.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Update on City Secretary Position

Clinton Bailey, City Manager updated the Council on the City Secretary position. In the process of signing paperwork to sign an interim City Secretary to help with agendas, administrative items and running the City Election.

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

A. Review the Future Agenda spreadsheet

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed the Future Agenda Spreadsheet.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson and a second by Councilmember Klein to go out of regular session into executive session. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion was carried unanimously at 5:28 p.m.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson and a second by Councilmember Klein to go out of executive session into regular session. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion was carried unanimously at 6:04 p.m.

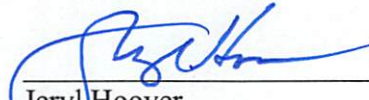
11. BUSINESS ITEM

The City Council took action on Item 8F.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Briley and a second by Councilmember Klein to approve the recommendations as stated in Item 8.F./Cause No. 17175. Councilmember Tony Klein seconded that motion. No further discussion. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

12. ADJOURN

With no other business, Mayor Hoover adjourned the Tuesday, April 2, 2024, City Council Regular Meeting at 6:06 p.m.



Jeryl Hoover
Mayor

Garret Bonn
Interim City Secretary