

CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

Members Present:

Mayor Linda Langerhans
Councilmember Charlie Kiehne
Councilmember Gary Neffendorf
Councilmember Tom Musselman
Councilmember Bobby Watson

Members Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Kent Myers, City Manager
Clinton Bailey, Assistant City Manager/Director Public Works and Utilities
Daniel Jones, City Attorney
Brian Jordan, Development Services Director
Lea Feuge, Public Information Officer
Braxton Roemer, Police Department Lt.
Russell Immel, Director of Information Technology
Andrea Schmidt, Parks Department Director
Kris Kneese, Assistant Director Public Works and Utilities
Garret Bond, Assistant City Engineer
Anna Hudson, Historic Preservation Officer
Jennifer Kruppa, Special Events Coordinator
Kerry Schmidt, Landfill Superintendent
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Langerhans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the City Council present, Mayor Langerhans called the regular meeting of the Fredericksburg City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, in the Law Enforcement Center, 1601 East Main Street, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624.

3. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

Kent Myers, City Manager, stated he received two employee recognitions:

- Doris Segner, Utility Billing Customer Service Representative for being kind, courteous and knowledgeable
- Anthony Clausen with Water Department for assisting with a resident's water problem.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Langerhans read the Public Comments statement.

Ron Whiloff spoke regarding the two new stop signs.

5. CONSENT

A. Consider approval of the August 14, 2019, City Council Special Meeting Minutes.

B. Consider approval of the August 19, 2019, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

C. Consider approval of the August 26, 2019, City Council Special Meeting Minutes.

D. Consider approval of Resolution 2019-15R Joint Resolution for the purposes of holding a Joint Election on November 5, 2019, with Gillespie County.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Neffendorf, to approve Consent Agenda 5. A. and 5. D. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

6. ORDINANCE RESOLUTIONS

A. Consider the approval of a Special Events Planning Guide to be effective on January 1, 2020.

Jennifer Kruppa, Special Events Coordinator, presented the changes made after the original presentation in June.

The City Council discussed the forfeiture of deposits from reservations and issues with the Swap Meet event.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to approve a Special Events Planning Guide to be effective on January 1, 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider the approval of Ordinance 2019-26 amending Chapter 36-Special Events and amending Article 24 of Appendix A-Fee Schedule, of the Code of Ordinances, to revise and amend the Administrative Process, regulations, and fees for Special Event Permits issued by the City (first of two readings; City Council may waive second reading).

Daniel Jones, City Attorney, reviewed the changes to the Ordinance.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kiehne, to approve Ordinance 2019-26 amending Chapter 36-Special Events and amending Article 24 of Appendix A-Fee Schedule, of the Code of Ordinances, to revise and amend the Administrative Process, regulations, and fees for Special Event Permits issued by the City and waive the second reading. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

7. OTHER ACTION ITEMS AND UPDATES

A. Consider the approval of the Convention and Visitor's Bureau proposed FY2020 Annual Budget of \$3,080,429.

Ernie Loeffler, CVB President, introduced CVB Board and staff who were present. He reviewed the data collected from walk-in visitors, Social Media, phone calls and other sources. He also reviewed the proposed FY2020 Annual Budget and the targeted areas to reach visitors.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Musselman, to approve the Convention and Visitor's Bureau proposed FY2020 Annual Budget of \$3,080,429. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider the approval of appointments to the Convention and Visitor's Bureau Board of Directors.

Ernie Loeffler, CVB President, reviewed the outgoing Board Members (Doug Cochran, Jamey Vogel, and Elizabeth Rodriguez) and thanked them for their service. He also reviewed the nominations (Jessica Davis, Mary Ann Turbeville, Katelyn Duecker, Claudyne Clark, and Kelly Criddle) for the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor's Bureau Board of Directors to serve a three-year term with the expiring date of September 2022.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Neffendorf, to approve the appointment to the Convention and Visitor's Bureau Board of Directors Jessica Mittel Davis, Mary Ann H. Turbeville, Katelyn Duecker, Claudyne Clark, and Kelly Criddle. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consider the approval of the license agreement amendment between the City of Fredericksburg and the Fredericksburg Morning Rotary Club to replace playground equipment at Old Fair Park.

Mark Bennett, Fredericksburg Morning Rotary Club, reviewed the history of the project and the request to replace of the existing playground and upgrading the equipment. He also reviewed the new construction timeline.

Andrea Schmidt, Parks Department Director, reviewed the proposed playground and the additional equipment that can be used by handicap children. She also thanked the Rotary Club for all they have done for the City.

The City Council thanked the Fredericksburg Morning Rotary Club for their service and for all they do.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kiehne, to approve the license agreement amendment between the City of Fredericksburg and the Fredericksburg Morning Rotary Club to replace the playground equipment at Old Fair Park. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Consider the approval of fee waiver of up to \$750 per year for the Friends of Fredericksburg Nature Center and Fort Martin Scott Friends.

Andrea Schmidt, Parks Department Director, stated the Parks Department works closely with two Friends organizations that help support two of the park facilities. She provided a history of all the work Fredericksburg Nature Center and Fort Martin Scott Friends have provided. She requested the City waive up to \$750 in rental fees for these two groups per year and anything above that be paid by them at the regular non-profit rates.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Musselman, to approve the fee waiver of up to \$750 per year for the Friends of Fredericksburg Nature Center and Fort Martin Scott Friends. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Presentation and possible action on changes to the Recycling Center operations.

Garret Bond, Assistant City Engineer, provided a Recycling Center Operations PowerPoint presentation. He reviewed the history of the program and the current market for recycling items. He also reviewed the transitioning process for the operations of the Recycling Center.

Clinton Bailey, Assistant City Manager/Director Public Works and Utilities, reviewed the reasons for not accepting materials other than cardboard, aluminum cans, and scrap metal after October 1, 2019

Councilmember Musselman inquired to whether municipalities in Texas were doing the waste to energy projects.

Clinton Bailey, Assistant City Manager/Director Public Works and Utilities, stated municipalities north of Texas are doing the waste to energy projects, but felt this will become more popular. He also stated he will continue to watch the market for the other recyclable items.

Kent Myers, City Manager, stated an education campaign will begin to let the public know about the changes and why they have occurred.

The City Council asked that Fredericksburg ISD be contacted and possibly education be provided to the Staff and students.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Annexation Update

Kent Myers, City Manager, stated Staff is moving forward with the annexation process for the 117 areas on land on the south side of Live Oak.

Brian Jordan, Development Services Director, stated that a letter has been sent out to the tax-exempt property owners and the other property owner letters will be sent out on September 6, 2019. He reviewed the annexation schedule.

The City Council discussed the annexation plan and the benefits of the extension to Cherry Street.

B. Budget Update

Kent Myers, City Manager, updated the City Council on the following budget schedule:

- September 11, 2019, Special Meeting to hold a public hearing on the 2018 Tax Rate at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room
- September 16, 2019, Regular Meeting to hold the second public hearing on the 2018 Tax Rate at 6:00 p.m. at the LEC
- September 19, 2019, Special Meeting to adopt the FY 2020 Budget and set the 2018 Tax Rate at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room

C. City Council Work Session-October 29

Kent Myers, City Manager, announced the City Council Work Session on October 29th will begin at 8:30 a.m. and be held in the Cardinal Room of LBJ Golf Course. He reviewed the proposed discussion items.

The City Council agreed by to discuss the following:

- Short Term Rentals

- Affordable Housing
- Changing Code Violation to from Criminal to Civil Court Matters
- Market Platz fees
- City Employee PTO Policy

9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Kent Myers, City Manager, reviewed the Future Agenda items.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

No comments were provided.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 – Consider and discuss Rena and Edward A. Blair vs. City of Fredericksburg, Texas, in the 216th District Court.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to go out of Regular Session into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

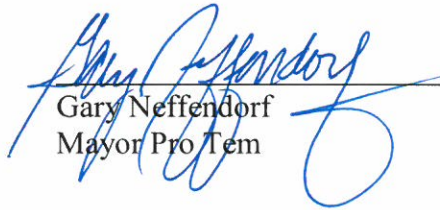
Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Kiehne, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to go out of Executive Session into Regular Session at 7:27 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

12. BUSINESS ITEM

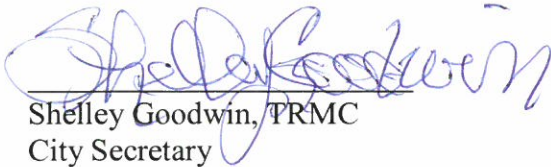
The City Council did not take any action.

13. ADJOURN

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kiehne, to adjourn the Tuesday, September 3, 2019, City Council Regular Meeting at 7:28 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.


 Gary Neffendorf
 Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST


 Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
 City Secretary

