

CITY OF DENISON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 3, 2024

Announce the presence of a quorum.

Mayor Robert Crawley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present were Mayor Pro Tem Teresa Adams, James Thorne and Aaron Thomas. Council Members, Michael Courtright, Joshua Massey and Spence Redwine were absent. Staff present were Interim City Manager, Bobby Atteberry, City Attorney, Julie Fort, Assistant City Manager, Renee Waggoner, City Clerk, Christine Wallentine and Deputy City Clerk, Karen Avery. Department Directors were also present.

1. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Jacob Nichols, Pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal Church gave the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge led by City of Denison Parks and Recreation Director, Justin Eastwood.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Crawley called for any public comments at this time and reminded those wanting to comment of the guidelines established by the City Council. Christine Wallentine, City Clerk, confirmed there were no Request to Speak Cards received by this point in the meeting. Therefore, no public comments were received.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Receive a report, hold a discussion and take action on approving the Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting held on May 20, 2024.
- B. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on a Written Services Agreement (Contract No. 2024-0072) to allow services for a Voluntary Annexation Petition for property containing approximately 52.52 acres, more commonly known as being located at the northwest corner of Texoma Drive and State Highway 91, GCAD Property ID Nos. 109713, 109718, and 439828.
- C. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on an agreement with Garver LLC to provide professional software services for the Denison CIP portal in the amount of \$195,000, (Contract No. 2024-0075) and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute all related documents.

- D. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on a Development Agreement between Wright Construction and Development, LLC and the City of Denison for abandoning a fifteen (15) foot alley and a thirty (30) foot wide strip of right-of-way (Contract Number 2024-0074).
- E. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on entering into an agreement with Denison Youth Sports for the 2024 fall and 2025 spring youth recreational baseball league provider at Texoma Health Foundation Park and Waterloo Baseball Fields (Contract Numbers 2024-0070 and 2024-0071) and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the same.
- F. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on entering into an agreement with Boys and Girls Club of Denison for the 2024 fall and 2025 spring youth recreational softball league provider at Texoma Health Foundation Park and Culpepper Softball Fields (Contract Numbers 2024-0068 and 2024-0069) and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the same.
- G. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and take action on awarding a proposal and entering into a General Construction Services Agreement with Piazza Construction, LLC (Contract No. 2024-0079) for the 2024 THF Park Parking Improvements, and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the same.

Council Action

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Adams, seconded by Council Member Thomas, the City Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council then adjourned into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. pursuant the Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the Authority:

- A. Consult with attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter and/or consult with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or contemplated settlement of the same. Section 551.071.
 - 1. Confer with City Attorney regarding *Swope v. City of Denison*, Case No. CV-22-0254, Grayson County.
 - 2. Confer with City Attorney regarding *City of Denison vs. AB Sherman Holding Company, LLC*, as to the properties located at 1527 S. Austin Avenue, Cause No. CV-23-0583, and 2824 W. Crawford, Cause No. CV-23-0582, 15th Judicial District, Grayson County, Texas.
 - 3. Confer with City Attorney regarding Fannin Road.
- B. Discuss the possible purchase, exchange, lease, or sale value of real property (public discussion of such would not be in the best interests of the City's bargaining position). Section 551.072.

- C. Discuss negotiated gifts or donations to the City (public discussion at this stage would have a detrimental effect on the City's bargaining position). Section 551.073.
- D. Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline, or dismissal of or to hear a complaint against a public officer or employee. Section 551.074.
- E. Discuss the commercial or financial information received from an existing business or business prospect with which the City is negotiating for the location or retention of a facility, or for incentives the City is willing to extend, or financial information submitted by the same. Section 551.087.
- F. Discuss the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076.
- G. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations pursuant to Section 551.087.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

The Council then reconvened into Regular Session at 6:33 p.m. and took the following action:

- A. Consult with attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter and/or consult with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or contemplated settlement of the same. Section 551.071.
 - 1. Confer with City Attorney regarding *Swope v. City of Denison*, Case No. CV-22-0254, Grayson County.

Council Action

No action taken.

2. Confer with City Attorney regarding *City of Denison vs. AB Sherman Holding Company, LLC*, as to the properties located at 1527 S. Austin Avenue, Cause No. CV-23-0583, and 2824 W. Crawford, Cause No. CV-23-0582, 15th Judicial District, Grayson County, Texas.

Council Action

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Adams, seconded by Council Member Thorne, the City Council unanimously approved ratifying the Assistant City Manager's signature executing a Rule 11 Amendment to the Settlement Agreement.

3. Confer with City Attorney regarding Fanning Road.

Council Action

No action taken.

- B. Discuss the possible purchase, exchange, lease, or sale value of real property (public discussion of such would not be in the best interests of the City's bargaining position). Section 551.072.
- C. Discuss negotiated gifts or donations to the City (public discussion at this stage would have a detrimental effect on the City's bargaining position). Section 551.073.
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- F. Discuss the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076.
- G. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations pursuant to Section 551.087.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

ROBERT CRAWLEY, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Wallentine, City Clerk