

City of Ingleside
Amended Minutes
 Regular City Council Meeting
 August 10, 2021
 6:30 PM

1. Call Meeting to order

The Regular City Council Meeting on August 10, 2021, was called to order at 6:30 p.m., with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding.

2. Roll Call

Council Members present: Council Member Diehl, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Schack, Council Member Tucker, Council Member Salinas (via Zoom), and Mayor Parker. There were approximately ten (10) citizens and approximately ten (10) city staff in attendance.

3. Invocation

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

16. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding the Latchkey Program.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented the city will discontinue the Latchkey Program, as the Ingleside Independent School District will be partnering with the Boys and Girls Club to run the Latchkey Program. Troy Mircovich, Superintendent of Ingleside Independent School District, commented he would ask the City of Ingleside to continue the Latchkey Program thru October 31, 2021, due to time constraints for licensing. There is a high need for the Latchkey program.

Mayor Parker, clarified, the request that the School District is in charge of the Latchkey Program, with the city licensed employees to work and be paid by the School District through the end of October.

Council Member Diehl, commented he would support the program, and verified that the city would not be in charge of the Latchkey Program as of November 1, 2021.

Council Member Diehl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to continue the city Latchkey Program, working with the Boys and Girls Club and the school district through November 1, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda (All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion; there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.)

6. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance 2021-13, to repeal Ordinance 2020-33, enacted September 9, 2020 amending Chapter 22 – Business Regulations, Article III Food Establishments, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 22-51 Adoption of Texas Food Establishment Rules, and Division 2 – Permits, Sec. 2-61 Application for Permits and Fees, through Sec. 22-63 Mobile Food Vendor Allowed Areas of Operations and Division 3 – Regulations, Sec. 22-71 Review of Plans, Ingleside Code of Ordinances. (Second Reading)

7. Discussion, consideration and action of the City Council Minutes, dated June 18, 2021, Special City Council Meeting, and July 27, 2021, Regular City Council Meeting.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Parker, closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:44 p.m. to proceed to the Public Hearing.

Public Hearing:

8. A Public Hearing concerning an application filed by Johnny M. Osborne, to re-plat the following property: Property ID # 42747 – PT LTS 1-9 BLK 12 Old Ingleside Subdivision to LT 1 BLK 1 J.M. Osborne Subdivision, fronting FM 1069, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas.

Johnny Osborne, 4144 FM 2762, Flatonia, Texas, spoke in favor of the re-plat.

There was no one speaking against the re-plat.

9. A Public Hearing concerning an application filed by John & Rosaura Meenaghan, to re-plat the following Property: Property ID# 58446 – 57 ½ FT of LT 11 & All of LT 12 BLK 4 Bluebonnet Meadows Subdivision & Property ID# 65934 – PT LT 13 BLK 83 T. P. McCampbell Subdivision to LTS 1 & 2 BLK 1 Meenaghan Estate Subdivision, also known as 3305 Susan Circle & 2444 McCullough, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas.

Jerry Brundrett, the surveyor of the property, spoke in favor of the re-plat.

There was no one speaking against the re-plat.

Mayor Parker, closed the Public Hearing at 6:47 p.m. to resume the Regular City Council Meeting.

Action Items:

10. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution, to replat the following property: Property ID# 42747 – PT LTS 1-0 BLK 12 Old Ingleside Subdivision to LT 1 BLK 1 J.M. Osborne Subdivision, fronting FM 1069, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas. (Single Reading)

Council Member Diehl, commented regarding the compliance and the Planning and Zoning. Cassandra Bell, of the Building and Planning Department, commented Planning and Zoning recommended the approval of the replat, and it does meet all city requirements.

Council Member Schack, inquired as to the dimensions of the lots concerned in the replat. Cassandra Bell, of the Building and Planning Department, commented the approximate size of the replat would be 129' x 225'. Council Member Schack, commented he is taking nine lots and turning it in to one lot.

Council Member Tucker, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Pruitt, to approve Resolution 2021-35. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution, to replat the following property: Property ID#58446 – 57 ½ FT of LT 11 & ALL of LT 12 BLK 4 Bluebonnet Meadows Subdivision & Property ID#65934 – PT LT 13 BLK 83 T. P. McCampbell Subdivision to LTS 1 & 2 BLK 1 Meenaghan Estate Subdivision, also know as 3305 Susan Circle & 2444 McCullough, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas. (Single Reading)

Council Member Schack, commented the lot will have two frontages, on Susan Circle and McCullough.

Council Member Diehl, commented that staff to pay close attention to the statement in the attachment from Griffith and Brundrett, that reads: Both lots should drain to public roadways and would have limited drainage in the area.

Council Member Pruitt, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve Resolution 2021-36. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding the Mayoral Executive Order of August 6, 2021, and possible extension of Mayoral Executive Order changes for thirty (30) days.

Council Member Schack, commented if there should be a policy regarding closing city building lobbies to the general public, as let the public know.

Mayor Parker, commented that we have been under an emergency declaration since the beginning of the COVID-19, and still in effect today. Mayor Parker, commented that he chose to close city building lobbies due to COVID-19 cases within city staff, hospital beds are full in Corpus Christi, with a relative, and a city employee's husband waiting for hospital bed.

Council Member Schack, asked if these people were vaccinated. Mayor Parker, commented that it does not matter. Council Member Schack, commented you believe in science or not.

Mayor Parker, called a point of order.

Council Member Schack, commented his freedom of speech is being taken away.

Council Member Diehl, commented that the Council are supposed to be the adults in the room, should be able to talk to each other and disagree. Each one has a right to be heard. Any Council Member has a right to be heard. As far as the specific agenda item, he supported the move the mayor made regarding the executive order, supports the rights to discuss it, and supports the rights of individuals. The city is not shutting down, just access to buildings. The Governor has tied the hands of all cities and the school boards. Council Member Diehl, commented we are not getting information from the county, and would like daily reports. We have a right to know what is happening in the county. Council Member Diehl, commented he agreed with Council Member Schack, it has become so political, and need to protect ourselves. Council Member Diehl, asked the council to have more decorum.

Mayor Parker, commented, that the County Judge report that in the last 24 hours, there are more than 100 new cases reported in San Patricio County. Council Member Diehl, commented it is Council's job to bring the public along with us, and explain to the public what is behind our actions.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented she received a report from the Ingleside Housing Authority this afternoon that there are residents in eight (8) apartments that have tested positive, and one death related to COVID-19.

Council Member Schack, commented there are consequences to decisions individuals make, and he preaches to get vaccinated, and it is your right to not get vaccinated, but he does not like being held captive. ~~if~~ Note: 993 out of 1000 in the hospital ~~do-were~~ not ~~get~~-vaccinated.

Council Member Pruitt, commented, if citizens don't know what is going on, they panic.

Mayor Parker, commented he would not feel he was doing his job as mayor if he did not put in place these restrictions.

Council Member Diehl, commented that if anyone from the county was watching, give us the numbers.

Cindy Wilson, 2635 San Angelo, made a citizen comment regarding Dr. Mobley's report.

There were various discussions by City Council regarding access to case information.

Council Member Salinas, commented there is data available from various sources, and the trends show the cases are increasing, and hospitals don't have room, it is a sign to take preventative action. Council Member Salinas, supported the mayor in this action, and agrees the public needs the information to support such action, and set measures regarding closures.

Cindy Wilson, 2635 San Angelo, made a citizen comment.

Steven Loving, 2549 McCullough Lane, made a citizen comment, regarding current case numbers.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, inquired regarding rental of the Humble Center, we are still processing current reservations, up to a certain date. This was confirmed by Mayor Parker, and also that we were contacting all reservations in the future, and not taking any new reservations. Linnette Barker, City Manager, inquired regarding rental of the Parks for large events. Mayor Parker, commented he would like to not allow Park reservations for large groups. Council Member Diehl, commented this is not in the current executive order.

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to extend the targeted current executive order, to limit access to the city staff, for thirty (30) days, effective tonight. Council Member Diehl, commented his motion does not include limitations at City Parks. The motion passed, with Council Member Diehl, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Tucker, Council Member Salinas, and Mayor Parker voting aye, and Council Member Schack, voting nay.

13. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding City of Ingleside Goods & Services Contract with Ingleside Chamber of Commerce.

Barbara Gregg, Executive Director of Ingleside Chamber of Commerce, presented the proposed Goods & Services Contract with Ingleside Chamber of Commerce.

Council Member Salinas, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Diehl, to approve the renewal of the Goods & Services Contract with Ingleside Chamber of Commerce. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding the Houghton project.

Craig Thompson, Hanson Professional Services, presented several alternatives regarding the drainage of Houghton Subdivision.

There were various discussions by Council Members, regarding the project time frame in association with the grants, location options of the project, drainage rates, and the upcoming TxDOT presentation on September 14, 2021.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented there is 9.7 million dollars in city money set aside for the Houghton project.

Council Member Schack, commented the portion of the project which falls within the GLO grant, could be voted on.

Michele Goerke, of GrantWorks, commented her EDA contact has been unavailable, and has concerns regarding TxDOT completion by September 2023. She commented she would like to hear from TxDOT first.

Council Member Schack, inquired if EDA would possibly allow an extension. Michele Goerke, of GrantWorks, commented she did not know, and confirmed the GLO grant is a stand-alone grant.

Council Member Schack, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Diehl, to proceed with the GLO grant process, as is, and table the EDA grant until the TxDOT presentation. The motion passed unanimously.

Craig Thompson, Hanson Professional Services, commented Freese and Nichols, who is working on the Master Drainage Plan, could be brought in for insight for repercussions for increasing or decreasing the design criteria.

15. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1 Public Answering Point Services with the Coastal Bend Council of Government. (Single Reading)

Council Member Schack, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Diehl, to approve Resolution 2021-37, authorizing the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1- Public Answering Point Services with the Coastal Bend Council of Government. The motion passed unanimously.

17. Discussion, consideration, and action of an Ordinance, amending the Asset Forfeiture Fund to purchase 5 radios for Peace Officer positions, from the Asset Forfeiture Fund. (Single Reading)

Council Member Diehl, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Tucker, to approve Ordinance 2021-15, amending the Asset Forfeiture Fund to purchase 5 radios for Peace Officer positions. The motion passed unanimously.

18. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding approval of a grant from Cheniere for the Ingleside Volunteer Fire Department Emergency Radio Upgrade.

Council Member Schack, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Pruitt, to approve a grant from Cheniere for the Ingleside Volunteer Fire Department Emergency Radio Upgrade. The motion passed unanimously.

19. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding authorization for the City Manager to sign all City of Ingleside contracts.

Mayor Parker, commented this would alleviate from Department Heads signing any contracts.

Council Member Tucker, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wilson, authorizing the City Manager to sign all City of Ingleside contracts. The motion passed, with Council Member Diehl, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Tucker, and Mayor Parker voting aye, Council Member Schack and Council Member Salinas voting nay.

20. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding a Budget Workshop/Special Meeting for Saturday, August 14, 2021.

Council Member Diehl, commented for the City Manager to put something in place for Council Members to speak with the City Manager in advance. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented there must be two Public Hearings for the budget, and hopefully adopt the budget and the tax rate at the September 14, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting.

There were various conversations by Council Members.

Earl Vickery, 3557 Vickery Lane, made a citizen comment.

Council Member Diehl, inquired regarding the format at the budget workshop. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented Department Heads were going to each have budget presentations, however, with the social distancing aspect, they will only give presentations if there are significant budget changes.

Council Member Salinas, commented if there had been meetings with the school district. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented there have not been budget meetings with the school district.

Council Member Schack, made a motion, seconded by Council Member Pruitt, to have a tentative Special City Council Meeting/Budget Workshop, Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., providing Council Members with the budget book by Thursday, August 12, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Parker, closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Earl Vickery, 3557 Vickery Lane, made a citizen comment.

Mayor Parker opened the Executive Session at 9:37 p.m.

Executive Session:

21. The City Council may meet in Closed Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to discuss, deliberate, and consider the following item – Strategic Government Resources contract regarding the Interim Director of Infrastructure Services position.

22. The City Council may meet in Closed Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to discuss, deliberate, and consider the following item – Claims and investigation regarding present and former employees.

Mayor Parker closed the Executive Session at 10:18 p.m. to proceed to the Regular City Council Meeting.

Action Items:

23. Discussion, consideration, and action of the item(s) discussed in Executive Session.

No action was taken.

Other:

24. Reports from Staff

- a) Expenditures over \$3000
- b) Monthly Financials
- c) Hanson Engineering Project Status Report
- d) Other Updates

Council Member Pruitt, inquired regarding the water well drilled at Live Oak Park, as it was in the Monthly Financials.

Council Member Salinas, inquired regarding expenditures over \$3000, regarding Hanson Professional Services, if all charges were within current purchase orders, which Linnette Barker, City Manager, confirmed.

25. Requests from Council

Council Member Schack, requested a breakdown of how much has been spent on air conditioning by contractor, and how much has been spent on electrical by contractor, to date.

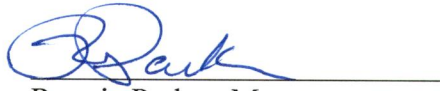
26. Adjourn

Mayor Parker, adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting at 10:22 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sarah Wardinsky, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Ronnie Parker, Mayor