

CITY OF INGLESIDE
MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022
6:30 P.M.

1. Call Meeting to order

The Regular City Council Meeting on January 11, 2022 was called to order at 6:30 p.m., with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding.

2. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Diehl, Pruitt, Wilson, Schack, Tucker, Salinas and Mayor Parker. There were approximately (14) citizens and (8) employees in attendance.

3. Invocation

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Citizen Comments

Howard Gillespie, County Commissioner, 801 Sandpiper, made a citizen comment regarding his run for re-election for the San Patricio County Commissioner.

Consent Agenda:

Councilmember Schack requested Item #7 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

6. Discussion, consideration and action regarding a Request of an Ordinance filed by David & Nathaniel Mircovich to request the closure of the entire 20' wide alley, which will be retained as a utility easement within BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision as recorded in envelope 911-912 map records of San Patricio County, Ingleside, Texas. (Final Reading)

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Schack, to approve Consent Agenda Item #6, Ordinance 2021-23 filed by David & Nathaniel Mircovich to request the closure of the entire 20' wide alley, which will be retained as a utility easement within BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision as recorded in envelope 911-912 map records of San Patricio County, Ingleside, Texas. The motion pass unanimously.

7. Discussion, consideration and action regarding an Ordinance to repeal section 3 of Ordinance 2020-22 (passed by Council on May 13, 2020), an Ordinance of the City of Ingleside, Texas, adopting the Full-time Salary Schedule. – Section 3) New full-time employees will start at a wage of the minimum salary in the pay grade plus .5% for every year of direct prior year experience with a maximum of 10 years. (Final Reading)

Councilmember Schack requested further information regarding the original Ordinance.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the original Ordinance limits the salary range the City can offer a perspective new employee with more than 10-years' experience. The Ordinance limits the salary to a maximum of base salary plus 0.5% for every year of service up to 10 years only. Repealing this section would

allow the City to offer someone with more than 10 years of experience a higher starting pay, within the pay scale and budget guidelines of the position.

Councilmember Diehl commented that the City has several key positions available and the repealing of this section would be beneficial to the City for hiring purposes. Councilmember Diehl requested the Linnette Barker, City Manager, research the pay scale with surrounding cities and address with Council in the future with the findings and recommendations.

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to approve Ordinance 2021-24 to repeal section 3 of Ordinance 2020-22 (passed by Council on May 13, 2020), an Ordinance of the City of Ingleside, Texas, adopting the Full-time Salary Schedule. – Section 3) New full-time employees will start at a wage of the minimum salary in the pay grade plus 0.5% for every year of direct prior year experience with a maximum of 10 years. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing:

8. Public Hearing regarding an application filed by David and Nathaniel Mircovich to replat of the following property: Property ID#'s 63126, 1032280 and 63131 – LTS 1-24 BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision to LTS 1-R & 2-R BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision, also known as 2420 Dendy Lane & 2401 Upton Lane, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas.

Mayor Parker closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:42 pm to proceed to the Public Hearing.

Greg Halger, Surveyor for the Mircovich property spoke in favor of the replat.

Troy Mircovich spoke in favor of the replat.

No one spoke against.

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

Action Items:

9. Discussion, consideration and action of a Resolution to replat the following property: Property ID#'s 63126, 1032280 and 63131 – LTS 1-24 BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision to LTS 1-R & 2-R BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision, also known as 2420 Dendy Lane & 2401 Upton Lane, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas. (Single Reading)

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to approve Resolution 2022-01 to replat the following property: Property ID#'s 63126, 1032280 and 63131 – LTS 1-24 BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision to LTS 1-R & 2-R BLK 3 Old Ingleside Subdivision, also known as 2420 Dendy Lane & 2401 Upton Lane, City of Ingleside, San Patricio County Texas. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding acceptance of the HOT Funds Post Event Report from Battlin' BBQ.

Jodi Carr, Assistant City Manager, commented that the event was a big success and produced several "heads in beds" during the event.

The Battlin' BBQ representatives commented on the event, attendance, money raised and that the event was able to sponsor two children from the area by raising \$21,000.00. They announced that next year the event will be a State Championship Event which should bring in more people to the area for the event.

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the HOT Funds Post Event Report from Battlin' BBQ. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding acceptance of the HOT Funds Post Event Report from Light Up Live Oak with funding request of \$27,200.80 be issued to Ingleside Chamber of Commerce for reimbursement of expenditures.

Jodi Carr, Assistant City Manager, commented that the event was a combined hosted event with the Chamber of Commerce, the original event application was approved by Council to share the cost of expenditures with the Chamber of Commerce. The \$27,200.80 is the Chamber's portion of expenditures.

Councilmember Salinas commented that the Post Event Report was well documented and a great event.

Barbara Gregg, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, commented that event was successful with approximately 8 heads in beds, 820 cars in the drive through portion of the event and approximately 1000 visitors for the event on Saturday. The Chamber is looking forward to the 2022 event with improvements.

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the HOT Funds Post Event Report from Light Up Live Oak with the funding request of \$27,200.80 be issued to Ingleside Chamber of Commerce for reimbursement of expenditures. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion, consideration and action regarding an Ordinance to amend the Hotel Motel Fund to add additional appropriations of \$27,455.00 for the Round Up Festival. (Single Reading)

Jodi Carr, Assistant City Manager, commented that Council had already approved the application for the Round Up Festival, however, at the time the of budgeting the expenditure amount was not available. \$27,455.00 of additional appropriations would need to be approved.

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve Ordinance 2022-01 to amend the Hotel Motel Fund to add additional appropriations of \$27,455.00 for the Round Up Festival. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Parker moved Agenda Item #19 to this part of the meeting.

19. Discussion, consideration and action regarding the construction amendment portion to the design-build agreement with Hellas Construction.

Mayor Parker read several citizen comments regarding the construction of the Faith Park ball fields.

Councilmember Salinas commented that all of the citizen comments were addressed to his email and wanted to share with Council what the citizens are saying. Councilmember Salinas asked Troy Mircovich, Ingleside Independent School District Superintendent, to attend the council meeting to answer questions regarding turf on the fields.

Superintendent Mircovich commented that although turf for the school fields were a good idea, turf for City Park use might not be advisable and may become an issue for the City. Turf fields require regular maintenance and constant monitoring of misuse.

Councilmembers discussed turf fields vs. sod fields, parking issues and community park vs. sports complex.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that parking issues are being researched and will be brought to council for approval at a later date.

Cindy Wilson, 2635 San Angelo, commented that Faith Park should be a community park with sod fields for kids to play and families to enjoy.

Councilmember Wilson made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to approve the construction amendment portion to the design-build agreement with Hellas Construction to include sod fields with irrigation, medium sized restrooms and a one-story concession building. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Parker resumed with Agenda Item #13 of the meeting.

13. Discussion, consideration and action regarding the acceptance of Grant Funds in the amount of \$1000.00 from Humanizing the Badge to support the I-CARE (Ingleside Community Assisting Residents Everyday) Project.

Councilmember Tucker made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the acceptance of Grant Funds in the amount of \$1000.00 from Humanizing the Badge to support the I-CARE (Ingleside Community Assisting Residents Everyday) Project. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Discussion, consideration and action regarding a Task Order for Hanson Engineering to perform a capacity analysis of the Water and Wastewater capacity and Density Evaluation of Northern Ingleside.

Councilmember Tucker inquired how the water/wastewater system in this area when installed were under sized? Craig Thompson, Engineer with Hanson Professional Services, commented that most of this area was funded with EDAP grants. The system was installed with the understanding that the lots would be estate style and not subdivision style.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the study provides a density evaluation of the area and will help the City with zoning regulations.

Councilmember Diehl inquired when the effective date would be? Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the effective date would be immediately.

Councilmember Tucker made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve the Task Order for Hanson Engineering to perform an analysis of the Water and Wastewater capacity and Density Evaluation of Northern Ingleside. The motion passed unanimously.

15. Discussion, consideration and action regarding the award of the 12th Street Improvement Project. (Tabled at 12/14/2021 Meeting)

Councilmember Salinas inquired why the complete package of maps, drawing and details were not included in the Council packet. Craig Thompson, Engineer with Hanson Professional Services, commented that there

were close to 50 pages of maps, drawing and details for the project and what was presented was an overview. All details made available and were publicly bid on Civcast. Three bids were received, all coming within the projected bid costs of the project. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the bids were reviewed by the City Public Works Department.

Mayor Parker inquired on the amount of contingency that is included in the project. Craig Thompson, Engineer with Hanson Professional Services, commented that at final probable construction cost typically has a ten percent contingency built in.

Councilmember Salinas questioned the timeline, the costs of the ribbon edge, cement stabilization and water lines for the project. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the discussions for this project go back to 2020, when all of the issues were addressed by Council and a bond was approved for the project. The costs are \$80,000.00 above budget; however, the costs of materials are rising substantially on a daily basis.

Councilmember Schack inquired why the engineering costs have risen. Melanie Gavlik, Project Manager with Hanson Professional Services, commented that the original estimate was for street work only and Hanson was asked to add water/sewer line construction at a later date.

Mayor Parker inquired if the project includes water lines to the empty lots along the road? Melanie Gavlik Project Manager with Hanson Professional Services, commented that Hanson was instructed not to replace any service connections, only to reconnect existing service connections to current homes.

Oscar Adame, 2747 Ave E, commented that waiting to add lines to vacant properties in the future, will damage the integrity of the road. The stub out of the lines to vacant lots should be addressed now to prevent that from happening.

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to award the 12th Street Improvement Project and include a change order to include the stub out of service connections to the vacant lots for future use. The motion passed with Councilmember Diehl, Pruitt, Wilson, Schack, Tucker and Mayor Parker voting aye and Councilmember Salinas voting nay.

16. Discussion, consideration and action regarding an Ordinance to amend the 2021/2022 Capital Fund Budget to add additional appropriations. (Single Reading)

Councilmember Schack inquired about the funds for the UV Filters. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that we received a grant for Covid Relief, the budgeted amount was \$25,500.00, however the price of materials has increased and additional funds are needed.

Councilmember Tucker inquired about the need of a conex container with electrical and air conditioning to store Christmas Decorations. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the Christmas Décor has plastic coverings and needs air conditioning for preservation from year to year. Local storage buildings that have climate-controlled units do not have garage type doors and large doors are needed for the décor to fit into the unit. Several Councilmembers discussed different options for storage.

Councilmember Schack inquired about the air conditioning issues at the Humble Recreational Center. John Shrier, City of Ingleside Project Manager, commented that when the A/C units were originally installed, they were installed within the attic space right next to each other and the only way to access them is to demo the ceiling. There was a catastrophic failure in one unit and both units are beyond the expected life. The request is to replace both units with "package" unit type air conditioners installed on the roof top, for better access and longer expected unit life.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that a Capital Improvement budget line item for each department was included in the current fiscal year budget for the purpose of creating a fund in which departments will have money set aside for major projects like this. However, with the fund being created this fiscal year there are not enough funds to cover all expenses involved in replacing the units.

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to approve Ordinance 2022-02 to amend the 2021/2022 Capital Fund Budget to add additional appropriations of \$20,000.00 for the UV Filters, \$15,000.00 for the Fire Department Fire Truck outfit, and \$80,000.00 to the 12th Street Improvement Project. The motion passed with Councilmember Diehl, Pruitt, Schack, Tucker, Salinas and Mayor Parker voting aye and Councilmember Wilson voting nay.

17. Discussion, consideration and action regarding an Ordinance to amend the 2021/2022 General Fund Budget to add additional appropriations. (Single Reading)

Councilmember Diehl inquired about adding the facility maintenance position. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the City currently has one facility maintenance person that works under the Project Manager to facilitate the building maintenance for all City buildings. Adding an additional person would be an asset to the City for proactively completing building maintenance.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the amendment to the Ordinance also includes the hiring of 8 seasonal pool employees and the Building Official that Council approved on November 9, 2021 meeting.

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to approve the Ordinance 2022-03 to amend the 2021/2022 General Fund Budget to add additional appropriations of \$32,963.91 for 8 seasonal pool employees. The motion passed unanimously.

18. Discussion, consideration and action regarding an Ordinance to amend the Capital Fund to add \$56,992.92 from the Rolling Stock Fund for the purpose to replace the Fire Department Brush Truck. (Single Reading)

Councilmember Salinas left the meeting at 9:24 pm

Councilmember Diehl made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wilson, to approve Ordinance 2022-04 to amend the Capital Fund to add \$56,992.92 from the Rolling Stock Fund for the purpose to replace the Fire Department Brush Truck. The motion passed with 6 ayes. Councilmember Salinas was absent from the vote.

20. Discussion, consideration and action regarding options for Pool and possible use of City Council Discretionary Funds.

Councilmembers discussed the options for the pool.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that adding an additional apparatus to the pool should be done during the remodeling phase to keep costs low.

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Diehl, to authorize an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 for the purchase of a 10+ foot slide using bond money. The motion passed with 6 ayes. Councilmember Salinas was absent from the vote.

21. Discussion, consideration and action to appoint an individual to serve as the City of Ingleside's representative to the Coastal Bend Council of Governments Board to replace Kody Farenthold.

Mayor Parker made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Schack, to appoint Councilmember Diehl to serve as the City of Ingleside's representative to the Coastal Bend Council of Governments Board to replace Kody Farenthold. The motion passed with 6 ayes. Councilmember Salinas was absent from the vote.

22. Discussion, consideration and action regarding the amended Special City Council Minutes, dated November 1, 2021, the amended Regular City Council Minutes, dated November 9, 2021 (Tabled at the 12/14/2021 Meeting), and the Regular City Council Meeting, dated December 14, 2021.

Councilmember Schack made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Tucker, to approve the amended Special City Council Minutes, dated November 1, 2021, the amended Regular City Council Minutes, dated November 9, 2021 (Tabled at the 12/14/2021 Meeting), and the Regular City Council Minutes, dated December 14, 2021. The motion passed with 6 ayes. Councilmember Salinas was absent from the vote.

Executive Session:

23. Closed Executive Session, Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters.

Mayor Parker closed the Regular City Council Meeting at 9:55 pm to proceed to Executive Session.

Mayor Parker closed the Executive Session at 10:36 pm to proceed to the Regular City Council Meeting.

Action Items:

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

No action taken.

Other:

25. Reports from Staff:

- a) Expenditures over \$3000
- b) Monthly Financials
- c) Other Updates

Councilmember Schack inquired about the Latchkey Program. Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the program is now operated by the Boys & Girls Club.

Linnette Barker, City Manager, commented that the update on SH200 shows the land owners and TxDOT are now working together.

26. Requests from Council

There were no requests from Council.

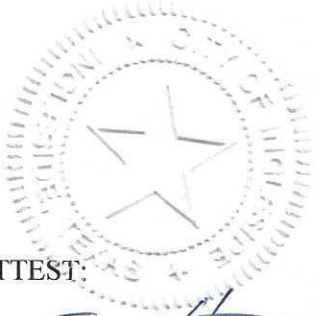
27. Adjourn

The Regular City Council Meeting held on January 11, 2022, was adjourned at 10:41pm.

APPROVED:

27. Adjourn

The Regular City Council Meeting held on January 11, 2022, was adjourned at 10:41pm.



ATTEST:

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Evanne Higgins – Interim City Secretary

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ronnie Parker", is written over a horizontal line.

Ronnie Parker, Mayor