



City of University Park

City Hall
3800 University Blvd.
University Park, TX 75205

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

5:00 PM

Council Chamber

EXECUTIVE SESSION

3:30 - 4:00 P.M. Pursuant to TGC§ 551.074 the City Council met in closed session to discuss a proposed contract amendment for City Manager Robbie Corder. No action was taken. Executive Conference Room, 1st Floor, City Hall.

PRE-MEETING WORK SESSION

4:00 - 5:00 P.M. The City Council met in open work session to receive agenda item briefings from staff. No action was taken. Council Conference Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Present: 4 - Councilmember Bob Begert, Councilmember Tommy Stewart, Councilmember Taylor Armstrong and Mayor Olin Lane

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Dawn Moore

Also seated at the dais were City Attorney Rob Dillard III and City Manager Robbie Corder

- A. INVOCATION: Mayor Olin Lane, Jr.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Olin Lane, Jr.
- C. INTRODUCTION OF COUNCIL: Mayor Olin Lane, Jr.

D. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: City Manager Robbie Corder

Staff in attendance included Community Information Officer Steve Mace, Director of Information Services Jim Criswell, Chief of Police Greg Spradlin, Director of Public Works Bud Smallwood, City Secretary Christine Green, Library Director Sharon Martin, Director of Human Resources Luanne Hanford, Acting Community Development Director Jacob Speer, Fire Chief Randy Howell, Assistant to the City Manager George Ertle, Director of Parks Gerry Bradley, Chief Planning Official Harry Persaud, Director of Finance Tom Tvardzik, Purchasing Manager Elizabeth Anderson, and City Engineer Bob Whaling.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

[14-099](#) Consider approval of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Joint Provision of the DARE Officer FY2014-2015

This Agreement was approved

[14-100](#) Consider approval of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Joint Provision of a Student Resource Officer (SRO) for FY2014-2015

This Agreement was approved

[14-102](#) Consider and act on renewal of a cooperative agreement with Dallas County for the CDBG/HOME Program

This Agreement was approved

[14-104](#) Consider approval of an ordinance establishing NO PARKING - FIRE LANE along the south curb of University Blvd, east from Boedeker to North Central Expressway.

This Ordinance was adopted

Enactment No: ORD No.14/013

[14-103](#) Consider and act on an ordinance granting franchise agreements applicants to collect, transport, and dispose of municipal and commercial solid wastes in the City

This Ordinance was adopted

Enactment No: ORD No.14/014

[14-107](#) Consider and act on an ordinance amending Section 3.09.009 of the Code of Ordinances to allow the display of United States flags in the City parkway on certain holidays

This Ordinance was adopted

Enactment No: ORD No.14/015

[14-109](#)

Consider and act on minutes of the June 3, 2014 City Council Meeting with or without corrections.

The Minutes were approved.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Begert, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Councilmember Begert, Councilmember Stewart, Councilmember Armstrong, and Mayor Lane

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Moore

III. MAIN AGENDA

[13-182](#)

Continue a public hearing on an amended detailed site plan for Planned Development District "PD-27" for St. Christopher's Episcopal Church to provide for a children's playground.

Mayor Lane opened the public hearing. Chief Planning Official Harry Persaud presented this request from St. Christopher's. One of the concerns was the board-on-board fence that was part of the original plan. Councilmember Armstrong was appointed by the Council to work with the church to change the fence design to a wrought iron and masonry wall that will be installed along the west side of the sidewalk. P&Z voted 4-1 to recommend approval.

Bill Maddox representing St. Christopher's school spoke. He said he was excited about building a "Toddler Retreat" for St. Christopher's Montessori School. St. Christopher's appeared before the Council in July 2013 and since improved their concepts and designs to meet the requirements of the City Council.

Councilmember Armstrong complimented the efforts of St. Christopher's for their efforts in modifying their playground proposal to meet the requirements of the City Council.

Mayor Lane closed the public hearing.

[13-181](#)

Consider and act on an Ordinance approving an amended detailed site plan for Planned Development District "PD-27" for St. Christopher's Episcopal Church to provide for a children's playground

A motion was made by Councilmember Armstrong, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Councilmember Begert, Councilmember Stewart, Councilmember Armstrong, and Mayor Lane

Enactment No: ORD No.14/016

[14-098](#)

Discuss Burleson Park improvement project and provide direction to staff

Director of Parks Gerry Bradley presented a concept plan for the Burleson Park improvements. Some of the improvements to the park include: new playground surfacing, turf and ground cover establishment, select tree removal, site grading, walkway system/jogging path around the perimeter of the park, ballfield enhancements, improvements to some ADA compliance issues, and upgrades to the botanical beds around the park. There will also be some lighting improvements to the park. He requested that the Council approve a contract in the amount of \$446,600 with Gallagher Construction Management via the TIPS cooperative purchasing program. Purchases made through the TIPS program satisfy competitive bidding requirements.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Armstrong, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Councilmember Begert, Councilmember Stewart, Councilmember Armstrong, and Mayor Lane

[14-105](#)

Consider and act on bids received for construction of drainage improvements at the north side of Caruth Park

Director of Public Works Bud Smallwood gave a presentation to show the Council some of the drainage problems in Caruth Park. He said they received three bids and recommended approval of the low bid from Flow-Line Construction in the amount of \$320,660, and authorizing the City Council to execute a contract with Flow-Line.

Councilmember Stewart asked if the project would include removing the existing channel to put in the drainage. Bud Smallwood said yes, and that Infrastructure Maintenance staff would be lowering the utility lines.

A motion was made by Councilmember Begert, seconded by Councilmember Armstrong, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Councilmember Begert, Councilmember Stewart, Councilmember Armstrong, and Mayor Lane

[14-106](#)

Consider and act on an ordinance restricting irrigation of lawns and landscape to designated days and times

City Manager Corder explained that this ordinance is designed to address a regional issue with water conservation. It will require residents with even numbered addresses to restrict their water usage to Sundays and Thursdays, and those with odd numbered addresses to limit their usage to Saturdays and Wednesdays. Exemptions to the restrictions are the use handheld water hoses, watering cans, soaker hoses for foundation areas, and to new planting materials that have been planted within the last 30 days. Athletic fields for organized sports are also exempt from the restrictions. The ordinance will take effect July 1st with a grace period through July 15th to allow staff to provide public education. Staff will publicize this ordinance in the Arbor newsletter, at the Fourth of July Parade, and through the City's website. On the 15th, staff will begin sending warning letters to residents found watering on the restricted days. Citations for continued offenses will follow.

Mary Deniger was called to speak, 4061 Bryn Mawr. She feels that there should be tighter restrictions on watering than those proposed because watering two days a week is still too much.

Councilmember Begert expressed concern that residents would not hear about the new restrictions via the newsletter or website. Steve Mace, Community Information Officer, spoke about ways that his office will inform the City's residents about the new restricted watering requirements and how to water within the limits to maximize benefit to the landscaping.

Councilmember Armstrong wants residents to know how much to water within their two days so that they don't turn their sprinklers on for the entire day.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Begert, that this Action Item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Councilmember Begert, Councilmember Stewart, Councilmember Armstrong, and Mayor Lane

Enactment No: ORD No.14/017

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff and Kimberly Slade of 2860 University Blvd. were called to speak. They were unhappy with the construction on the north side of the 2800 and 2900 blocks of University Blvd, especially the new curb that was installed along their street. Kimberly Slade said that the notice provided to the neighborhood on May 1st about the construction did not mention a change to the sidewalk.

Chris Ayot of 2840 University felt that the new curb will not protect someone walking on the sidewalk.

Gina Horton of 2844 University and Betty Vaughan of 2929 University Blvd. echoed the concerns of the previous speakers.

Kimberly Slade spoke again, and said that she had performed her own measurements of her property

Lloyd Kofahl of 2856 University said that some restaurants install bollards on the sidewalk to prevent motorists from driving on the sidewalk where their patrons are eating. He suggested installing bollards on the sidewalk or painting the curbs to make them more noticeable.

Paul Jarzemsky of 2853 University spoke about the newly-approved ordinance that mandates no parking/fire lane on the 2700-2800 blocks of University. Director of Public Works Smallwood explained that there has been "no parking" on this street for some time. This agenda item creates some consistency in the parking on these two blocks of the street.

Mike Joy of 2924 University asked about new curbs on the 2800 block of University and why they were installed this way. City Manager Corder explained that the City has to meet the ADA requirements for the sidewalk and that these blocks of University Blvd. are unique in the slopes. There is only five feet between the back of the curb and the property lines with a steep slope. It would be difficult to redo the street and the sidewalks and meet the ADA specifications.

Bill Weber of 3949 Wentwood was concerned about the "no parking" on the 2800 block of University because he owns property along the 2800 block of University. He didn't realize that there was already "no parking - fire lane" in the area. Public Works Director Smallwood said that it has been a fire lane for many years but that the signage was hard to see.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lane adjourned the meeting at 5:55 P.M.