

MINUTES

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 @ 6:00PM

City Council Chambers, 1600 Avenue M Hondo, Texas

1. Call to order.

Mayor McAnelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Quorum check.

Mayor John McAnelly Jr., Councilman Brett Williams, Councilman Joe Claire, Mayor Pro Tem Jose "Porky" Ytuarte, Council Woman Rachel Ramirez, Councilman John E. Villa

Staff Present: City Manager John Naron, City Attorney Richard Lindner, Chief Financial Officer Chris Hill, City Secretary Rebekah Dolphus, IT Manager Josh Rodriguez, Public Relations & Recreation Director Jamie Kindred, Director of Aviation Ryan Elder, Public Works Director Rene Saenz, Development Services Manager Uche Echeozo, Director of Marketing-BR&E Sean Patty, Human Resources Manager Michele Thacker

3. Invocation by Pastor Beverly Kelling, St. Paul Lutheran Church.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

12. Employee Tenure Awards. (Michele Thacker)

Ms. Thacker and the Employee Committee presented awards to:

- Garrett Ross – 5 years (Police Department)
- Enrique Rodriguez – 5 years (Streets)
- Christopher Hernandez – 5 years (Airport)
- Barbara Desoriers – 5 years (Library)
- Cristina Leos – 10 years (Library)
- Alfred Resendez – 10 years (Facilities)
- Jose Alvarez – 10 years (Facilities)
- John Henry Martinez – 15 years (Facilities)
- Josh Rodriguez – 15 years (IT)
- Maria Rivas – 15 years (PD)
- Henry Torres – 20 years (Streets)

Mayor and Council members showed their appreciation for employees.

5. Citizens'/Public Comments: *Persons who desire to address the City of Hondo City Council will be received at this time. Those persons wishing to speak should complete a Public Comment Form and submit it to the City Secretary prior to the meeting. If the speaker wishes to comment on a particular agenda item, then the speaker should indicate such item(s) to on the form. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers must conduct themselves in a civil manner. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City of Hondo City Council cannot deliberate or take action on items not listed on the meeting agenda.*

No Citizens'/Public comments.

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ANNUAL ELECTION ACTIONS

6. Issue a Certificate of Election to incumbent Council Member Place 1 Brett Williams. (Rebekah Dolphus)

Mayor McAnelly read and presented.

7. Issue a Certificate of Election to Council Member Elect Place 2 Joe Claire. (Rebekah Dolphus)

Mayor McAnelly read and presented.

8. Administer Oath of Office to incumbent Council Member Place 1 Brett Williams. (Judge Glenn Klaus)

Judge Klaus administered Statement of Officer & Oath of Office to Council Member Place 1 Brett Williams.

9. Administer Oath of Office to Council Member Elect Place 2 Joe Claire. (Judge Keith Lutz)

Judge Lutz administered Statement of Officer & Oath of Office to Council Member Elect Joe Clair and Mr. Claire took his seat at the dais.

10. Discuss and consider the election of a Mayor Pro Tem. (Mayor McAnelly)

Council Woman Ramirez moved to elect Jose "Porky" Ytuarte as Mayor Pro Tem. Motion passes unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS

11. National and Hondo Garden Week. (Mayor McAnelly)

Mayor McAnelly read and presented to Garden Club.

PRESENTATIONS

13. Hondo Area Chamber of Commerce Summer Solstice. (Jena Prevo)

Ms. Prevo distributed folders with information about the Summer Solstice event that will take place on June 21 & 22, 2024. She mentioned the Chamber aims to promote economic growth and foster a sense of community.

14. City Manager's Report. (John Naron)

- Pickleball and basketball rehabilitation project is underway.

- Preliminary budget meetings are ongoing, and non-profits will be presenting at the next few Council meetings if they are seeking funds.

15. Joint Airport Zoning Board. (Ryan Elder)

Mr. Elder introduced Jim Halley from Halley Aviation Advisors who presented PowerPoint that was in agenda packet.

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CONSENT

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Council member.

Councilman Williams moved to approve consent agenda; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

16. Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 1288-05-24 OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS AMENDING SUBSECTION 7.3.6 "SPECIAL EVENT SIGNS (AND OTHER SPECIFIC REGULATIONS)" OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 9A IN THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CLARIFY THE APPLICATION OF THE SUBSECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCE. (Rebekah Dolphus)

17. Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 1289-05-24 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE ADOPTED ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR PROVIDING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND/OR TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT. (Chris Hill)

18. Consideration and approval to authorize the City Manager to sign HA5 agreement with Holbrook Asphalt LLC for an amount not to exceed \$1,291,325.46.

OTHER BUSINESS

19. City of Hondo Local Development Scheme: Envision 2040 (Uche Echeozo)

Mr. Echeozo presented the Envision 2040 plan and addressed inquiries from the Council. Action unable to be taken and will be placed on June 10, 2024 City Council meeting.

20. Preliminary Plat request from Sylvester & Melissa Gallardo

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on a request from Sylvester & Melissa Gallardo, Owner/Applicant, for a preliminary plat on 20.27 acres of land situated within the City of Hondo in Medina County, Texas, out of Survey No. 187, Abstract No. 428, A. Gsell, with the legal description being, A0428 A. Gsell Survey 187. This property is also known as Twin Estates Subdivision.

The subject property is located in the 1500 block of 11th street at the corner of Avenue P. The property is generally located north of 11th street and west of Avenue P within the Shoin neighborhood and is identified as Assessor's parcel identification No. 4571.

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A. Open Public Hearing

Public Hearing opened at 7:02 p.m.

B. Staff Presentation (Uche Echeozo)

Mr. Echeozo provided a synopsis of the Planning & Zoning Meeting that took place on May 20, 2024, where this was approved.

C. Applicant Presentation

No presentation

D. Public comments (limited to 3 minutes per person)

No comments

E. Adjourn Public Hearing

Public Hearing adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

F. Discussion and possible action on Preliminary Plat request

Councilman Villa moved to accept Preliminary Plat request from Sylvester & Melissa Gallardo; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

21. Final Plat request from Capital Farm Credit

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on a request from Capital Farm Credit for a final plat on 3.063 acres of land situated within the City of Hondo in Medina County, Texas out of Survey No. 194, Abstract No. 362, F. Enderle, with the legal description being A0362 F. Enderle Survey 194.

The subject property is located in the 200 block of Highway 90. The property is generally located south of Highway 90 within the Shoin neighborhood and is identified as Assessor's parcel identification No. 71195.

The Final Plat is for a proposal on construction of a new lending facility and related parking.

A. Open Public Hearing

Public Hearing opened at 7:12 p.m.

B. Staff Presentation (Uche Echeozo)

Mr. Echeozo provided a synopsis of the Planning & Zoning Meeting that took place on May 28, 2024, where this was approved.

C. Applicant Presentation

Kerinne Herber, who oversees the real estate department at Capital Farm Credit, expressed her enthusiasm about being part of the community. She emphasized her commitment to adhering to local rules and regulations. Additionally, she conveyed her eagerness to see the current proposal approved and to move forward with the project.

D. Public Comments

No comments

E. Adjourn Public Hearing

Public Hearing adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

F. Discussion and possible action on Final Plat request

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Councilman Villa moved to accept Final Plat request from Capital Farm Credit; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

22. Discuss and consider possible action on the inclusion of City Manager reports and Public Works reports during Regular Council Meetings. (John Naron)

Mr. Naron expressed his preference for having a City Manager report, emphasizing his role as the overseer of all employees. He believes this approach ensures that no individual feels singled out or directly managed by the Council. Mr. Naron also requested bullet points from the Council on issues that need to be addressed, allowing him to prepare adequately and provide clarifications. He mentioned that if the Council wishes to have a public works report, they should extend the same courtesy by sending inquiries before the meeting.

Council members raised various concerns. These concerns were addressed by Mr. Naron and Mr. Lindner, the City Attorney, providing the necessary explanations and resolutions.

Councilman Williams moved to keep City Managers report and that all items or concerns be brought by the Wednesday before each meeting and can include public works or not; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. AYE: Williams, Claire, Ramirez. NAY: Ytuarte, Villa. Motion passes 3-2.

The City Council of the City of Hondo convened into Executive Session at 7:51 p.m.

23. Executive Session: The City Council of the City of Hondo may convene in Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code: *Section 551.071(1) (A) and (2) (Consultations with Attorney) and Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property).*

A. Discuss Hangar MR-9 Lease

B. Discussion related to contemplated litigation with AirCanopy DBA Rise Broadband.

The City Council of the City of Hondo reconvened into regular session at 8:28 p.m.

24. Discuss and consider appropriate action on the items resulting from Executive Session.

Councilman Ytuarte moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a lease on the MR-9 Hangar with Jet Tran LLC on the terms discussed in executive session; seconded by Councilman Villa. Motion passes unanimously.

25. Adjourn.

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Councilman Villa moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Williams. Motion passes unanimously.

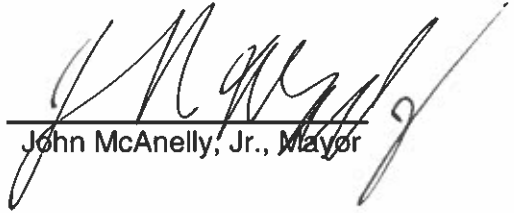
Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

ATTEST:



Rebekah Dolphus
City Secretary



John McAnelly, Jr., Mayor