

City Council
City of Hillsboro, Texas
Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 15, 2022

Present were:

Andy Smith, Mayor
Eric Fleming, Councilmember
Larry Lloyd, Councilmember
Dana Robinson, Councilmember
Frances Zarate, Councilmember
Leann Richmond, Councilmember
Scott Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem

Megan Henderson, City Manager
Art Mann, Economic Dev. Admin.
Richard Reinhardt, Planning Official
Sharon McFadden, City Secretary
Christi Ward, Administrative Asst.

Assistant City Manager, Tony Cain, was absent

Others present:

Shannon Cottongame, Reporter
Wesley Traylor, Traylor and Associates
Lambert Jefferson, Hillsboro Police Officer
Brooke Thompson, MRB Group
Mary Anne Comvalius

Mayor Smith called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Michael Nemec of Christ Lutheran Church led the Invocation. Councilmember Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hear Statements from Persons Wishing to Address Council.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone wanting to address Council. Ms. Mary Anne Comvalius who resides at 216 Smith Street, expressed her concerns of excessive noise from roosters in her neighborhood. Ms. Comvalius thanked Council for addressing her concerns. Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone else wanting to address the Council. There was no response.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Smith informed Council that agenda numbers five (5) through six (6) require no formal public hearing and are subject to being approved in a single motion. However, any City Councilmember or the City Manager may remove an item from the Consent Agenda to allow discussion and voting on the item individually.

(Agenda Item #5)

Deliberate and Act on Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting on November 1, 2022.

(Agenda Item #6)

Act on the Approval of Bills.

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Mayor Smith asked Council if there were any questions or comments regarding the Consent Agenda Items. There were no responses. On a motion by Councilmember Robinson and second by Councilmember Johnson, Consent Agenda Items #5 through #6 were accepted and approved.

On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Robinson, Zarate, Richmond, Johnson

Nays: None Absent: None

Regular Agenda

(Agenda Item #7)

Hear and Deliberate on a Presentation by Traylor and Associates: Overview of Texas Community Development Block Grant requirements related to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended.

Wesley Traylor introduced himself and said his organization (Traylor and Associates) provides assistance in management of grants that are mostly through the Texas Department of Agriculture. The grants are subject to a lot of HUD (Housing and Urban Development) requirements. One of the requirements is the Section 3 Overview that Mr. Traylor is reviewing with Council tonight. Mr. Traylor explained the details of the slide presentation he provided to Council. The presentation included specific requirements for the City to employ businesses and workers for the Block Grant. At the conclusion of the presentation, Mayor Smith asked if there were any questions or comments. There was no response.

(Agenda Item #8)

Deliberate and Act on a Resolution Appointing a Member to the Parks Board.

The City Manager informed Council that City staff received an application from Mona Orvig requesting to serve on the Parks Board. The application has been reviewed and recommended by staff. Mayor Smith asked Council if there were any questions or comments. There were no responses. On a motion by Councilmember Robinson and second by Councilmember Richardson, Resolution R2022-11-79 was accepted and approved.

On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Robinson, Zarate, Richmond, Johnson

Nays: None Absent: None

(Agenda Item #9)

Consider and Act on a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Texas Rural Business Fund (TxRBF) grant through the Texas Department of Agriculture for Improvements to Industrial Loop, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute all Necessary Documents.

Art Mann, Economic Development Administrator, said he and Dale Snyder (Finance Director) spoke with Wesley Traylor (Traylor and Associates) on a previous plan over a

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