

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 23, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Lori Shierry  
Councilmen Jeffrey Pogatshnik and Brad Wynn  
Councilwoman Stephanie Wooten  
Councilwoman Sherrie Williams (via zoom)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Ray Schultz

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager  
David Sherrill, Public Works Director  
Steve Davis, Police Chief  
Jason Griffin, Parks and Recreation Director  
Andy Payne, Fire Chief  
Patrick Moulton, Assistant Fire Chief  
Becky Ferguson, Director of Finance  
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Dolores Hamilton (via zoom)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor Pro tem called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation.

The City Manager gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Recognition of Special Guest(s)/Action(s).

There were no recognitions at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Citizens' Input.

No individuals registered to participate in the citizens' input.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: General Consent.

Councilwoman Wooten asked that item A be pulled from the general consent agenda.

B. Approve a Request From the Iowa Park CISD for Permission to Allow a Bonfire on the Iowa Park High School Property on Thursday Evening, September 9, 2021 in Conjunction With The

Homecoming Festivities as Allowed by Section 5.01.001 (1) of the City's Code of Ordinances.

- C. Approve a Request From City Hall Staff to Restrict Parking on the South Side of a Portion of the 100 Block of East Cash Street at City Hall Park From 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Friday, September 10, 2021 for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual S-5! Manufacturing Community Chow Down Event to be Held From 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and to Close City Hall From 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. to Allow City Staff to Work the Event.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilman Pogatshnik accepting and approving items B and C of the general consent agenda as presented. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- A. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 9, 2021.

It was noted at "members present" of the minutes, it appeared that both Councilwoman Williams and Councilwoman Wooten were present via Zoom. However, Councilwoman Wooten was in person. Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilwoman Williams accepting and approving the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of August 9, 2021, with correction. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Public Hearing.

- A. A Public Hearing to Consider the Annexation Into the Corporate Limits of the City of Iowa Park of a Tract of Land Comprising of 6.44 Acres Out of Section 20 Tarrant County School Lands, Located Adjacent to the Current Corporate Limits of the City.

This public hearing is for the proposed Iowa Park Consolidated Independent School District's Ag barn to be located on Johnson Road. There were no other comments.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Ordinance.

- A. An Ordinance of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Annexing the Hereinafter Described Territory to the City of Iowa Park; Extending the Boundary Limits of Said City so as to Include the Hereinafter Described Property Within the City Limits; Granting to the Territory and to all Future Inhabitants all of the Rights and Privileges of Other Citizens and Binding Future Inhabitants by all of the Acts and Ordinances of Said City; and Providing for an Effective Date.

This ordinance annexes the 6.44 acres out of Section 20 Tarrant County School Lands where the proposed School's ag barn is to be built. Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilman Wynn approving and adopting Ordinance Number 1334 annexing the hereinafter described territory to the City of Iowa Park; extending the boundary limits of said City so as to include the hereinafter described property within the City Limits; granting to the territory and to all future inhabitants all of the rights and privileges of other citizens and binding future inhabitants by all of the acts and ordinances of said City; and providing for an effective date. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: City Manager's Report.

A. Discuss and Consider Compensation of City Employees.

The City Manager explained that the City currently has six vacancies and is not receiving applications to fill them. A five percent salary increase is included in the proposed budget and staff feels an increase now would potentially improve the recruiting efforts. Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilwoman Williams granting a five percent across the board raise to all employees effective with the first payday in September, 2021. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

B. Discuss and Consider the Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency Adopted by City Council on March 23, 2020.

The City Manager stated the numbers are not good. There are currently 885 active cases in the County with 50 in the 76367 zip code.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Budget Workshop.

The City Manager briefed the Council on the proposed budget outlining the capital outlay projects and a five percent water rate increase. The first budget and tax rate hearing is scheduled for Monday, September 13, 2021. The second budget and tax rate hearing will be at a special meeting on Monday, September 20, 2021 and the adoption of the annual budget and tax rate will be Monday, September 27, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Secretary Janice Newman