

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

The governing body of the CITY OF LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS met at 6:00 p.m. the 29th day of January 2019 at the City Council Chambers, 525 Phelps Avenue, for the purpose of considering all matters and related incidents to the City of Littlefield.

Present: Eric Turpen, Mayor
Ben Warren, District 1
Johnny Williamson, District 4
Michael Rangel, Mayor Pro tempore, District 2
Rene Duran, District 3 (absent)

City Manager Mitch Grant; City Secretary Janine Butler; Treasurer Andrew Eisenwine; City Attorney Matt Wade
29 (8 staff)

1. Call to order

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

2. Invocation

Mayor Turpen led the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Johnny Williamson led the pledge.

4. Citizen Comments

Mr. Al Oimstead made a little over 3 minutes of comments.

5. Introduction of New City Employees

No new employees were present.

6. Consider and Approve Minutes from the December 18th Regular Meeting.

The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Consider and Approve Monthly Departmental Reports: Police Dept.; Fire Dept.; EMS; Code Enforcement; Animal Control; Landfill; Water/Wastewater; Streets and Parks; Municipal Court; Monthly Financial Reports; Sales Tax Collection; Property Tax Collection reports; LEDC A and B minutes, if Boards met.

The motion to approve the monthly reports was made by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Turpen changed the order at this time.

16. PUBLIC HEARING: Regarding An Ordinance of the City of Littlefield, Texas, Changing the Name of Stadium Ave. to Richard Thompson Ave.

Mayor Turpen closed the regular session and opened the public hearing at 6:08p.m. Adrian Solis was the only person to speak. He recommended the proposed change for Mr. Richard Thompson's family (some of whom were present) and the LISD School Board. Mayor Turpen closed the public hearing and reopened the regular session at 6:10p.m.

17. Consider and Approve An Ordinance of the City of Littlefield, Texas, Changing the Name of Stadium Ave. to Richard Thompson Ave.

The motion to approve changing the name of Stadium Ave. to Richard Thompson Ave. was made by Council Member Ben Warren. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Presentation and Council acceptance of Webb, Webb & Wright's 2017-2018 Annual Financial Report.

Stephen Webb and Mitch Edwards from Webb, Webb & Wright were present. Stephen Webb presented the financial report to City Council. The motion to approve the annual financial report was made by

Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Consider and Reappoint Webb, Webb & Wright, CPAs for Annual City Audit.
The motion to reappoint Webb, Webb & Wright was made by Council Member Ben Warren. The second motion was made by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Consider and Approve Ordinance Designating the Lamb County Leader News as the Official Newspaper.
The motion to approve ordinance designating the Lamb County Leader News was made by Council Member Ben Warren. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Consider and Approve A Resolution Documenting Review of the City of Littlefield Investment Policy For 2018-2019 And Documenting Any Changes.
The motion to approve the resolution for the Investment Policy was made by Mayor Eric Turpen. The second motion was made by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Consider and Approve 2019 City of Littlefield Calendar.
Council Member Warren had questions about the calendar. No action was taken.

13. Consider and Approve A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Littlefield Texas, Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG).
Mayor Turpen made the motion to approve the resolution to submit a grant application for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program. Council Member Johnny Williamson made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Consider and Approve Appointment of LEDC B Director.
Mayor Turpen made the motion to nominate Lottie Spencer for the position as a LEDC B Director. Council Member Ben Warren made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

15. Consider and Approve A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Littlefield Ordering the General Election to be Held Jointly with the Littlefield Independent School District on May 4, 2019 for the Purpose of Electing the Positions of Two (2) Members, Districts 3 and 4, and Mayor to the Littlefield City Council to Hold Office for a Period of Two Years; Designating Locations of Polling Places; Designating Run-off Dates; Ordering Notices of Election to be Given as Prescribed by Law in Connection with Such Election. *Una Resolucion del Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Littlefield que Ordena que la Eleccion General sea Distrito Independiente Colectivamente con el Distrito Independiente de la Escuela de Littlefield el 4 de mayo del 2019, Para el Proposito de Elegir la Posicion de Dos (2) Miembros, Distrito 3 y 4, y Alcalde, al Ayuntamiento de Littlefield para Tener la Oficina Para un Periodo de Dos Anos; Designando las Locaciones de Centros Electorales; Designar Desempate Fecha; Ordenando que Notas de Eleccion para ser Dadas como Prescrito por la ley con Respecto a tal Eleccion.*

Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel made the motion to approve the resolution. Mayor Turpen made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.
El alcalde pro tempore Michael Rangel hecho la moción para aprobar la resolución. El alcalde Turpen hecho la segunda moción. La moción fue aprobada por unanimidad.

Mayor Eric Turpen closed the regular meeting at 6:38p.m. and opened the public hearing.

18. PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED CHANGE IN ZONING REGARDING THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:

Mayor Turpen read each item and asked if anyone wanted to speak regarding these properties.

- ORIGINAL TOWN - LITTLEFIELD, BLOCK 10, LOT 11-12, 701 W. 3rd St, LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS, FROM C-1 COMMERCIAL – COMMERCIAL OFFICES, LIGHT RETAIL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES TO C-2 COMMERCIAL – GENERAL

No one requested to speak.

- LOTS 18-19 OF BLOCK 41, COLLEGE HEIGHTS ADDITION IN THE VICINITY OF EAST 18TH STREET AND ALASKA AVE, LITTLEFIELD TEXAS, FROM AGRICULTURAL TO AGRICULTURAL WITH SPECIAL USE DISTRICT OVERLAID TO ALLOW A MANUFACTURED HOME

No one requested to speak.

- LOTS 4-6 OF BLOCK 14, ORIGINAL TOWN-LITTLEFIELD (320 W. 2ND ST.), LITTLEFIELD TEXAS, FROM C-1 OFFICE, LIGHT RETAIL, AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES TO SF-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

No one requested to speak.

- LOT 4 OF BLOCK 38, ORIGINAL TOWN-LITTLEFIELD (504 E. 5th ST.), LITTLEFIELD TEXAS, FROM C-1 OFFICE, LIGHT RETAIL, AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES TO SF-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

No one requested to speak.

- C-1 COMMERCIAL-OFFICE, LIGHT RETAIL, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES TO C-2 COMMERCIAL-GENERAL OF ORIGINAL TOWN BLOCKS 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 (Lots 4-7), BLOCK 32 (Lots 1-6), BLOCK 33 (Lots 1-6), BLOCK 34 (Lots 1-6) AND INDUSTRIAL ORIGINAL TOWN LOTS A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H AND TRACT EAST OF A; AMENDING ARTICLE 13, DEFINED TERMS; AMENDING 16.02.9 ALLOW METAL FABRICATION UNDER PERMITTED USES

No one requested to speak.

- ORIGINAL TOWN-LITTLEFIELD, BLOCK 68, LOTS 3-5 IN THE 300 BLOCK OF EAST 8TH ST., LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS, FROM SF-2 SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT 2 TO C-1 COMMERCIAL – COMMERCIAL OFFICES, LIGHT RETAIL AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

No one requested to speak.

Mayor Turpen closed the public hearing and reopened the regular session at 6:41p.m.

19. Consider and Approve PROPOSED CHANGE IN ZONING REGARDING THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:

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Council Member Ben Warren had questions and was opposed to this ordinance. Mayor Turpen made the motion to approve this ordinance. The second motion was made by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The motion passed with 3 ayes and Council Member Ben Warren abstained.

Mayor Turpen closed the regular session and opened the public hearing at 6:46p.m.

20. Public Hearing: Regarding ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN AND ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUDING A NEW ZONING MAP FOR THE CITY OF LITTLEFIELD; ESTABLISHING AGRICULTURAL, RESIDENTIAL, BUSINESS, MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL, SPECIAL USE AND/OR INDUSTRIAL ZONES; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS SPECIFIC TO THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES PROVIDING SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, CONDITIONAL USES, AND PROCEDURES FOR VARIANCES; ESTABLISHING A PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT; PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY ANY CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF PRIOR ORDINANCE FOR PENDING PROCEEDINGS.

Robert Payne was present and spoke in opposition of the proposed zoning ordinance. No others requested to speak. Mayor Turpen closed the public hearing and reopened the regular session at 6:47p.m.

21. Consider and Approve ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN AND ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUDING A NEW ZONING MAP FOR THE CITY OF LITTLEFIELD; ESTABLISHING AGRICULTURAL, RESIDENTIAL, BUSINESS, MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL, SPECIAL USE AND/OR INDUSTRIAL ZONES; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS SPECIFIC TO THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES PROVIDING SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, CONDITIONAL USES, AND PROCEDURES FOR VARIANCES; ESTABLISHING A PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT; PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY ANY CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF PRIOR ORDINANCE FOR PENDING PROCEEDINGS.

Council Member Ben Warren made a statement in opposition. Mayor Turpen made the motion to approve the comprehensive land use plan and zoning ordinance as presented. Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel made the second motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes and Council Member Ben Warren voted nay.

22. Convene into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property regarding the airport. Mayor Turpen closed the regular session and council entered into executive session at 7:00p.m. Mayor Turpen exited the executive session and reopened the regular session at 7:20p.m. No action was taken in executive session.

23. Convene into executive session pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §551.071 to seek advice from legal counsel about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or as required under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State of Texas when in conflict with Tex. Gov't Code Chapter 551 (Agreements w/ Management & Training Corporation)

Mayor Turpen closed the regular session and council entered into an executive session at 7:21p.m. Mayor Turpen exited the executive session and reopened the regular session at 7:33p.m. No action was taken in executive session.

24. Consider and Approve Purchase of Property for Expansion of Taylor Brown Municipal Airport Runways.

Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel made the motion to approve the purchase of property. The second motion was made by Council Member Johnny Williamson. The motion passed 3 ayes to 1 nay,

25. Consider and Approve Letter of Commitment and Non-Disclosure Agreement with Management & Training Corporation regarding the Texas Civil Commitment Center located at 2600 S. Sunset Ave, Littlefield, Texas.

The motion to authorize Mayor Turpen to sign the Letter of Commitment and Non-Disclosure Agreement with Management & Training Corporation regarding TCCC-BCF at 2600 S. Sunset Ave. was made by Council Member Ben Warren. The second motion was made by Mayor pro tempore Michael Rangel. The motion passed unanimously.

26. Adjourn
Mayor Turpen adjourned the meeting at 7:36p.m.



Mayor Eric Turpen

Attest:


City Secretary

