MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021
6:00 PM

Mayor Pro-Tem Amanda Abraham called the Regular meeting to order in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Marvin Bonner, District 1	Leo Morris, District 2
Jennifer Truelove, District 3	Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Amanda Abraham, District 6	Micah Fenton, District 7

ABSENT: Amy Ware, District 4 (excused Motion: Fenton Second: Bonner Vote 6:0)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Rohr, City Manager	Cliff Carruth, Police Chief
Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney	Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief
Dawn Jones, Finance Director	Christol Hall, HR Manager

Eric Powell, Public Works Director
Veronique Ramirez, Main Street Manager
Jasmine Rios, Communications Coordinator
Nikki Smith, City Secretary/Payroll Accountant
Mallori James, Tourism & Cultural Arts Director
Randy Pritchard, Support Services Superintendent
Fabio Angell, Community & Economic Development Director
Stormy Nickerson, Community & Economic Development Assistant Director

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Councilmember Calhoun

135. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no Citizen Comments.

136. **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Item C was withdrawn from the Consent Agenda.

137. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

A. Consider approval of the minutes from the May 27, 2021 Regular meeting.

B. Street Sweeping Activity Report.

D. Consider approval of a temporary contract extension between the City of Marshall and Texas Bank and Trust.

E. Consider approval of authorizing the Cradle of Entrepreneurship Board to govern Cradle of Entrepreneurship program activities.

PRESENTATION & PROCLAMATION

138. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING JUNE 10 – 13, 2021 AS "SQUARE DANCE WEEK" IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, TEXAS.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham presented a proclamation declaring June 10 – 13, 2021 as "Square Dance Week" in the City of Marshall, Texas to the Texas Federation of Square and Round Dancers.

139. PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham thanked outgoing Planning & Zoning Commissioner Colin Brady for his service on the Commission.

PUBLIC HEARING

140. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2021 PROGRAM YEAR ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.

Stormy Nickerson, Community & Economic Development Assistant Director, presented the proposed CDBG allocations for the year beginning June 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2022.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham opened the public hearing.

No one came forward to speak.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham closed the public hearing.

ORDINANCE

141. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL APPROVING A PROJECT PLAN AND FINANCING PLAN FOR TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ONE.

Fabio Angell, Community & Economic Development Director, asked for approval of an ordinance approving a Project Plan and Financing Plan for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One. He stated this was the final step of the five step process.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve an ordinance approving a Project Plan and Financing Plan for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

142. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE 2021 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Eric Powell, Public Works Director, asked for approval to award a contract for the 2021 Street Improvement Program to Rayford's Truck & Tractor, in the amount of $1,468,558.60 for the base bid, plus Alternate "A".

Council members asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve awarding a contract for the 2021 Street Improvement Program to Rayford's Truck & Tractor in the amount of $1,468,558.60. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

143. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION AND THE MAIN STREET BOARD.

Stormy Nickerson asked for approval of appointment and reappointments to the Planning & Zoning Commission and the Main Street Board.

Councilmember Calhoun made a motion to approve appointment and reappointments to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve appointment and reappointments to the Main Street Board. Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

144. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM YEAR 2021.

Stormy Nickerson asked for approval of the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2021. She stated additional funding is available for the Paint the Town Program in the New Town neighborhood.

Councilmember Fenton made a motion to approve the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2021. Councilmember Bonner seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

145. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SMALL BUSINESS GRANT FUND APPLICATIONS.

Fabio Angell provided an update regarding total expenditures and asked for approval of the completed applications received between May 14, 2021 and June 4, 2021.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham made a motion to approve the application for Yulanda's Hair Salon for $2,500. Councilmember Truelove seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

Councilmember Fenton made a motion to approve the application for Taqueria EL Guerito for $2,500. Councilmember Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham made a motion to approve the application for Level Up Nutrition for $2,500. Councilmember Truelove seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

Councilmember Fenton made a motion to approve the application for Marshall I-20 E Truck Stop Inc (Pony Express) for $2,500. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

Councilmember Bonner made a motion to approve the application for Rey of Love Church Supply for $2,500. Councilmember Truelove seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

146. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANNEXATION, SERVICE, AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, TEXAS, AND PINEY LAND I, LLC.

Mark Rohr, City Manager, introduced Douglas Stanley, Piney Land I, LLC, who provided a presentation regarding the annexation of approximately 126 acres which he intends to develop into a Christmas attraction.

Mark Rohr asked for approval of an Annexation, Service, and Development Agreement between the City of Marshall, Texas, and Piney Land I, LLC which would assist with growth of the City's economic development in line with the Mobilize Marshall Plan.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Calhoun made a motion to approve an Annexation, Service, and Development Agreement between the City of Marshall, Texas, and Piney Land I, LLC. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

147. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF $50,000 AS AN INCENTIVE FOR PROJECT LIT, ALSO KNOWN AS PINEY LAND I, LLC.

Rush Harris, Executive Director MEDCO, asked for approval of an expenditure in excess of $50,000 as an incentive for Project Lit, also known as Piney Land I, LLC.

Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve an expenditure in excess of $50,000 as an incentive for Project Lit, also known as Piney Land I, LLC. Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

148. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

C. Municipal Court Activity Report.

Councilmember Bonner stated his reasons for withdrawing this item.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Bonner made a motion to approve Item C from the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

149. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Calhoun made a motion for adjournment. Mayor Pro-Tem Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

APPROVED:

Mayor of the City Council
of the City of Marshall, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary

Ordinances: O-21-13