

HEWITT TEXAS

SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP/MEETING

January 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM/7:00 PM
Hewitt City Hall, 200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643

MINUTES

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor, Ward 3

Michael S. Bancale, Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large – **Charlie Turner**, Council Member, Ward 1

Wilbert Wachtendorf, Council Member, Ward 1 – **Bill Fuller**, Council Member, Ward 2

Bob Potter, Council Member, Ward 2 – **Erica Bruce**, Council Member, Ward 3

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Steve Fortenberry

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Bancale

Council Member Bob Potter

Council Member Wilbert Wachtendorf

Council Member Bill Fuller

Council Member Dr. Erica Bruce

MEMBER ABSENT:

Council Member Charles D. Turner

The meeting will be streamed live on the city's website at www.cityofhewitt.com/790/Hewitt-TX-TV.

WORKSHOP MEETING - 6:00 PM

WORKSHOP DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Fortenberry called the Workshop to order at 6:00 PM and announced that all Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member Charlie Turner. City Manager Bo Thomas joined the meeting via conference call.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

- 1. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING PLANNING, ZONING, AND THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.** City Attorney Mike Dixon presented an explanation of the Council's role with regards to the planning, zoning, and development process. He stated their main objective is to determine if the new zone is compatible with the growth plan of the city and staff is responsible to review the plans and determine feasibility. Mr. Dixon further recommended the Council either approve or deny the zoning cases below under items #3 and #4.

WORKSHOP ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Steve Fortenberry adjourn the Workshop meeting and convene the Executive Session at 6:27 PM.

Executive Session: Notice is given that a closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code (V.T.C.A.) so that the Council may deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry announced the adjournment of the Executive Session at 7:01 PM.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING - 7:00 PM

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Fortenberry called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and announced a quorum was present with the exception of Council Member Charlie Turner. City Manager Bo Thomas joined the meeting via conference call.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Steve Fortenberry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S) AND RECOGNITION(S)

- 2. PRESENTATION OF NEWLY APPOINTED POLICE OFFICER JUSTIN L. LAGOS.**
Police Chief Jim Devlin introduced the newly appointed officer. Mayor Steve Fortenberry administered the ceremonial oath of office.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding, or acting on any comments or items that have not been properly posted on the agenda. [Note: Prior to the meeting, the citizen must complete a “Public Comment Form” and present it to the City Secretary.]

Mayor Steve Fortenberry announced one public comment form was received from Mr. Steve Arnold, 149 Houston Drive. Mr. Arnold requested assistance from the city on the abatement of high weeds behind his property that abuts to Hewitt Elementary Softball Fields. No one else appeared.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTION

- 3. PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01 TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF A PORTION OF JAMES PROWL SURVEY, AB 817, BEING A 38.49-ACRE TRACT LOCATED IN THE 1400 BLOCK OF S. HEWITT DR., FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO R-1-G GARDEN HOME DISTRICT.**

Mayor Steve Fortenberry opened the public hearing at 7:12 PM. Mayor Fortenberry called for those wishing to speak in favor. Mayor Fortenberry called for those wishing to speak against. No one appeared. The public hearing was closed at 7:13 PM.

MOTION: Council Member Bruce moved to defer action on Ordinance No. 2022-01.

SECOND: Mayor Pro Tem Bancale

AYES: Bruce, Fuller, Potter, Wachtendorf, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 2022-02 TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF A PORTION OF JAMES PROWL SURVEY, AB 817, BEING AN 8.192-ACRE TRACT LOCATED IN THE 1400 BLOCK OF S. HEWITT DR., FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry opened the public hearing at 7:14 PM. Mayor Fortenberry called for those wishing to speak in favor. Mayor Fortenberry called for those speaking against. No one appeared. The public hearing was closed at 7:15 PM.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Bancale moved to approve **Ordinance 2022-02** rezoning property known as a portion of James Prowl Survey, Ab 817, being an 8.192-acre tract located in the 1400 Block of S. Hewitt Dr., from R-1 Single Family Residential District to C-2 General Commercial District.

SECOND: Council Member Bruce

AYES: Bruce, Fuller, Potter, Wachtendorf, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP/REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2022.

MOTION: Council Member Potter moved approval of the meeting minutes as presented but to allow for corrections.

SECOND: Council Member Bruce

AYES: Bruce, Fuller, Potter, Wachtendorf, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF A RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE AND SERVICE AGREEMENT TO MOTOROLA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,248. Police Chief Jim Devlin presented.

MOTION: Council Member Wachtendorf moved approval of purchasing the Motorola upgrade and service agreement in the amount of \$63,248.

SECOND: Council Member Bruce

AYES: Bruce, Fuller, Potter, Wachtendorf, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry recessed the meeting to adjourn to the following Executive Session at 7:20 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Notice is given that a closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (V.T.C.A.) so that the Council may discuss personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee (City Manager).

Mayor Steve Fortenberry adjourned the Executive Session at 7:29 PM and reconvened the meeting. He announced that no action would be taken on item #7.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON EVALUATION/EMPLOYMENT OF CITY MANAGER (IF NEEDED).

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Fuller moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Potter

AYES: Bruce, Fuller, Potter, Wachtendorf, Bancale, and Fortenberry

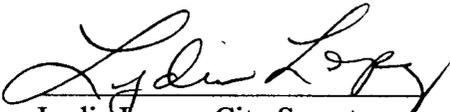
NAYES: None

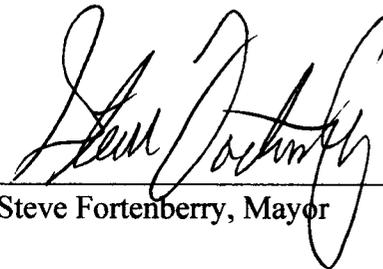
ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

Approved: 02-07-2022

ATTEST:


Lydia Lopez, City Secretary


Steve Fortenberry, Mayor