



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

City of Texarkana, Arkansas

216 Walnut Street

Minutes - Monday, August 02, 2021 - 6:00 PM

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Allen Brown, Ward 2 Director Laney Harris, Assistant Mayor Ward 3 Steven Hollibush, Ward 4 Director Ulysses Brewer, Ward 5 Director Barbara Miner and Ward 6 Director Jeff Hart.

ALSO, PRESENT: City Manager E. Jay Ellington, City Clerk Heather Soyars, and Deputy City Clerk Jenny Narens.

ABSENT: Ward 1 Director Terry Roberts and City Attorney George Matteson.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Mayor Brown.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- Bernice Dinkins, 204 Eastside Drive, thanked the Board for the letter she received. She wanted to know the progress of the Nix Creek area. She said the work had stopped.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. Presentation of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Employee Service Awards. (CCD)
2. Update on the Nix Creek Drainage Study by Public Works Director Tyler Richards. (PWD)
 - Director Harris wanted to know why Jones Creek was not included in the study and he wanted to make sure all areas of concern were included.
 - Public Works Director Tyler Richards said Nix Creek was the largest stormwater collector and anything done to it would have a direct effect on other creeks.
 - Mayor Brown said when the board voted to approve the FY2021 Budget, the money was appropriated to only have the study of Nix Creek.

CONSENT

Director Hart made the motion to adopt the Consent agenda, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush. The motion carried and the following items were approved:

3. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting July 19, 2021. (CCD)
4. Resolution No. 2021-39 authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for water and wastewater treatment. (TWU) Executive Director J.D. Phillips

REGULAR

5. Ordinance No. 24-2021 rezoned a tract of land located at 1400 Dudley Avenue from a split zone of C-1 General retail commercial & R-3 Low-density residential to all C-1 General retail commercial in order to add an annex to a childcare facility for after-school care (Torrence). (Ward 2) (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck

Motion to read the ordinance the first time in abbreviated form made by Director Hart, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the first time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second reading in abbreviated form made by Director Brewer, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the second time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third and final reading in abbreviated form made by Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Seconded by Director Miner.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the third and final time in abbreviated form.

Motion to adopt the ordinance made by Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Seconded by Director Hart.

Mayor Brown asked if anyone would like to speak for or against this ordinance.

No one came forward.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted.

6. Ordinance No. 25-2021 revised the text and boundaries of the Entertainment District. (Ward 2) (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck

Motion to read the ordinance the first time in abbreviated form made by Director Hart, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the first time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second reading in abbreviated form made by Director Brewer, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the second time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third and final reading in abbreviated form made by Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Seconded by Director Brewer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the ordinance was read the third and final time in abbreviated form.

Motion to adopt the ordinance made by Director Hart, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

Mayor Brown asked if anyone would like to speak for or against this ordinance.

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Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 6-0 and the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, August 16, 2021

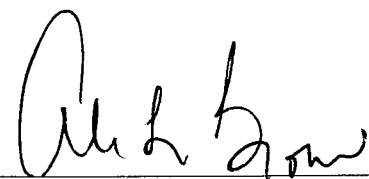
ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn made by Director Hart, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Hollibush.

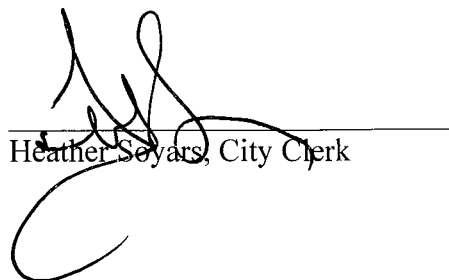
Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Director Harris, Assistant Mayor Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, and Director Hart.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

APPROVED this the 16th day of August 2021.



Allen L. Brown, Mayor



Heather Seyars, City Clerk