

**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AND PUBLIC HEARING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCLEROY BLVD.
APRIL 19, 2022**

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Todd Flippo
Mayor Pro-Tem	Valerie Junkersfeld
Councilmember	Charles Beasley
Councilmember	Nicky Lawson
Councilmember	Charles Tucker
Councilmember	Mary Copeland
City Attorney	Bryn Meredith
City Manager	Gabe Reaume
Asst. City Manager	Lee Howell
Finance Director	Kim Quin
City Secretary	Janice England
Fire Chef	Doug Spears
Police Chief	Russell Ragsdale
Asst. Police Chief	Brandon Badovinac
Director of Public Works	Rick Trice, P.E.
Dir. of Community & Eco. Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Human Resources Director	Melanie McManus
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie
Management Analyst	Ayoub Kahondogoro
Police Sergeant	James Crippen

Absent from the meeting:

Councilmember	Cindy Bighorse
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Visitors at the meeting:

Brack St. Clair	Scott Bedford
Paul Felegy	Katie Johnson
Mark Towns	Lola Scheid
Larry Scheid	Kelly Stewart
Fred Stewart	John Peet

(1) Call to Order

Mayor Flippo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States

Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas

(2) Invocation

Pastor Michael Orr of the Saginaw Church of Christ gave the invocation.

(3) Audience Participation

This item was covered on the video screen.

Mayor Flippo stated that Councilmember Bighorse will not be present at tonight's meeting.

Mayor Flippo reminded everyone of the following: Candidate Forum hosted by the Tarrant County League of Women Voters at 7:00 p.m. on April 20th at the Recreation Center; Concert in the Park featuring *Me and My Monkey* at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday; and the Farmers Market on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

(4) a. Action regarding Minutes, April 5, 2022

b. Action regarding Acceptance of Various Easements for the Beltmill Development

Summary: On April 20, 2021, City Council approved a preliminary and final plat for the Millstone Road and Beltmill Parkway right-of-ways. The plats allowed construction to commence ahead of the platting and development of the adjacent tracts. The roadway construction projects also require dedication of certain offsite drainage, water, sanitary sewer, pedestrian access, and utility easements to facilitate the construction of public facilities. The dedication instruments have been executed by Beltmill Saginaw, LLC, the developer of Beltmill. Upon approval by the City Council, these easements will be filed for record and will be reflected in the final plats upon development of the property.

c. Action regarding Approval of a Final Plat for The Cottages at Beltmill, Blocks A-I, 40.452

Acres out of Heirs of Benjamin Thomas Survey, Abstract 1497, City of Saginaw, Tarrant County, Texas
Summary: On April 20, 2021, City Council approved a Planned Development for the Beltmill Development located north of Bailey-Boswell Rd., west of Wagley-Robertson, and east of N. Saginaw Blvd., BNSF, and UP Railroads. The Planned Development was amended on November 16, 2021 to provide revised development standards in the northwest corner (Tracts 2 & 3) of the development. The Developer has submitted a Final Plat for consideration. The Preliminary Plat is being considered as a separate item (4d). The Planning and Zoning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval at their April 12, 2022 meeting.

d. Action regarding Approval of a Preliminary Plat for Beltmill A-L, 115.432 Acres out of Benjamin Thomas Survey, Abstract 1497

Summary: On April 20, 2021, City Council approved a Planned Development for the Beltmill Development located north of Bailey-Boswell Rd., west of Wagley-Robertson, and east of N. Saginaw Blvd., BNSF, and UP Railroads. The Planned Development was amended on November 16, 2021 to provide revised development standards in the northwest corner (Tracts 2 & 3) of the development. Lot 1, Block B was previously platted for The Grand at Saginaw along with right-of-ways for Beltmill Parkway and Millstone Parkway. The developer has submitted a Preliminary Plat for consideration that incorporates the previously platted property as well as the currently unplatted property. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval at their April 12, 2022 meeting.

e. Action regarding Recommendation for Renewal of Highway Right-of-Way Mowing

Summary: In September 2019, the City went out for bids for right-of-way mowing. Greener Pastures Landscaping (A Yellowstone Landscape Co.) submitted a bid of \$785 per mowing cycle and was awarded the bid. The term of the original contract was from the date of award through December 31, 2020, with the option to renew the contract for two (2) additional one-year terms. Upon completion of the original contract, the City Council approved a one-year renewal (with no additional increase in price) that ended December 31, 2021. Staff is requesting approval of an additional one-year renewal that will end December 31, 2022. Yellowstone (formerly Greener Pastures Landscaping) has submitted a request for a 3% increase which would increase the per cycle mowing from \$785 per month to \$808.55 per month (\$23.55 per cycle increase). The reason for the requested increase is to cover standard inflation costs. Additional fees for weed abatement as opposed to just pulling weeds would increase from \$614.10 per month to \$685 per month. This fee includes maintaining the beds, removing weeds, and applying a chemical herbicide every other week. Residents, via their monthly water bill, will fund this project from the Keep Saginaw Beautiful voluntary \$1.00 donation.

f. Action regarding Aquatic Center Repairs and Renovations

Summary: In February 2021, the City as well as most of the State suffered from a debilitating winter storm. Residents and business owners incurred significant damages from temperatures that hovered below zero degrees for one week. The State electrical grid was also offline and not working thus providing no running water or electricity. City facilities including the Aquatic Center also suffered damage. In October 2021, the City Council approved a contract with DCC Inc. to begin repairs and renovations. At that time it was unknown what type of additional repairs might be needed once the electricity and water were turned on. The contractor has since found additional items that need to be repaired or replaced including filter media, lateral gaskets, safety grating, and security/facility lighting. These items must be addressed before the aquatic center will be able to open. The proposal from DCC Inc. for the repairs/replacements is \$23,045.89. The proposal from Tutor Electrical Service, Inc. is \$1,450 for the electrical work. The total estimated cost is \$24,495.89. Staff has submitted a portion of these repairs/replacements (\$20,500) to our insurance adjuster for consideration as part of the winter storm coverage.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers
Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

(5) PUBLIC HEARING—Consideration and Action regarding Ordinance No. 2022-05, Continuation of Curfew for Minors

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing for this item opened at 6:05 p.m. Police Chief Ragsdale briefly explained the proposed ordinance. Mayor Flippo called for any public input. There was none. Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 6:06 p.m.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Beasley to approve Ordinance No. 2022-05, continuation of curfew for minors. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers
Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

(6) PUBLIC HEARING—Consideration and Action regarding Resolution No. 2022-11, Readopting Guidelines and Criteria for Tax Abatement Agreements

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing for this item opened at 6:06 p.m. City Secretary England briefly explained the proposed ordinance. Mayor Flippo called for any public input. There was none. Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 6:08 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve Resolution No. 2022-11, readopting guidelines and criteria for tax abatement agreements. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers
Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

- (7) PUBLIC HEARING—Consideration and Action regarding a Request for a Development Plan and Change in Zoning on 10.811 Acres of Land out of Abstract 1849, Alexander F. Albright Survey, Tarrant County, Texas, from Community Commercial to a Planned Development (PD/ZLL). The property is located on the Northeast corner of McLeroy Blvd. and Old Decatur Rd. (Saginaw Cottages)

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing opened at 6:08 p.m. Director of Public Works Trice briefly explained the request. He added that the request was considered at the April 12th Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting. The Commission voted unanimously to recommend the request be denied.

Mayor Flippo called for public input. Mr. John Peet expressed his concern about the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting. Mr. Paul Felegy expressed his opposition to the request. There being no further public comment, Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 6:21 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Beasley with a second by Councilmember Copeland to deny the request for a development plan and change in zoning on 10.811 acres of land out of Abstract 1849, Alexander F. Albright Survey, from Community Commercial to a Planned Development (PD/ZLL). Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers
Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

- (8) Consideration and Action regarding Re-Naming the Saginaw Community Center

Ms. Kelly Stewart addressed the Council and requested the Council re-name the Saginaw Community Center to the Joyce Spindor Community Center. She gave a brief history of Ms. Spindor's involvement in the Saginaw community as well as Tarrant County for many years. She thanked the Council for their time and consideration.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to rename the Saginaw Community Center to the Joyce Spindor Community Center. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers
Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

(9) Consideration and Action regarding Approval of Five-year Contract with Axon for the Purchase of Body Worn Cameras, Mobile Video Units, Tasers and Interview Room Recording Hardware

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Beasley to approve the five-year contract with Axon for the purchase of body worn cameras, mobile video units, tasers, and interview room recording hardware. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

(10) Staffing Update

Director of Human Resources McManus updated the Council on staffing for Summer Camp and the Aquatic Center. Police Chief Ragsdale gave a staffing update for the Police Department.

(11) Open Government Training

City Attorney Meredith gave an Open Government Training Presentation which included the Open Meetings Act, conflicts of interest, City Charter violations, and the Public Information Act.

(12) Executive Session

1 § 551.071. Texas Government Code. Consultation with Attorney. The City Council may convene in executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney on any legally posted agenda item, when the City Council seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items:

a. Any Posted Item

(13) Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld, Councilmembers Beasley, Lawson, Tucker, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Bighorse

Mayor Flippo declared the City Council Meeting of April 19, 2022 adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary Janice England

Mayor Todd Flippo