

**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCLEROY BLVD.
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Todd Flippo
Mayor Pro-Tem	Valerie Junkersfeld
Councilmember	Patrick Farr
Councilmember	Charles Tucker
Councilmember	Cindy Bighorse
Councilmember	Mary Copeland
City Attorney	Bryn Meredith
City Engineer	Andrew Simonsen, P.E.
City Manager	Gabe Reaume
Finance Director	Kim Quin
City Secretary	Janice England
Asst. Police Chief	Russell Ragsdale
Fire Chief	Doug Spears
Director of Public Works	Rick Trice, P.E.
Dir. of Comm. & Eco. Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Director of Human Resources	Melanie McManus
Police Lieutenant	Brandon Badovinac
Police Officer	Chelce Kidwell

Absent from the meeting:

Councilmember	Charles Beasley
Asst. City Manager	Dolph Johnson
Police Chief	Lee Howell
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie

Visitors at the meeting:

Shel Higgins	Rick Russell
Kelly Stewart	Michael Orr
Michelle Boerst	Matt Clark

(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.

(4) Consent Agenda

a. Action regarding Minutes, October 20, 2020

b. Action regarding Authorization of an Individual Project Order (IPO) with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for the 2020 Saginaw Parks Master Plan

Summary: On February 5, 2019 the City Council authorized an IPO with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for the Saginaw Parks Site Analysis and Conceptual Design. The IPO looked at the City's seven parks and provided conceptual designs and cost estimates that were later used in the development of the proposed 2020 Bond Program. On March 3, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-09 outlining the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Strategic Project List and Work Plan. A Parks Master Plan was identified as one of the elements in the Resolution. The City's current Parks Master Plan "Saginaw Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Vision 2025, Quality for a Lifetime" was completed in 2013. The proposed IPO will build on previous work to develop a Parks Master Plan. The cost for the services will be \$32,000. The Advisory Recreation and Parks Board met on October 19, 2020 and voted to recommend approval of the IPO for the Saginaw Parks Master Plan to be funded from the Parks Donation Fund.

c. Action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding between Participating Local Governments (City of Saginaw) and the City of Fort Worth in the Fort Worth Intelligence Exchange (INTEX)

Summary: Since the events of September 11, 2001, law enforcement has been on a mission to enhance information and intelligence sharing locally, regionally, and nationally. One of the most effective means to achieve that has been through major cities and urban area "Fusion Centers". The City of Dallas, Collin County, and several other Texas locations already have established centers. Fort Worth has now created INTEX, which will combine information from local agencies in the western North Texas Region and link to multiple other parties nationally. The effectiveness of these networks depend largely on the participation of local city and county LE agencies. This MOU would formalize that partnership. Lt. Brandon Badovinac has been appointed as "Fusion Liaison Officer" and will be the point of contact for the City of Saginaw. There will be minimal financial impact. Information sharing will occur through existing interfaces and no maintenance fees are currently required. Any personnel time will be absorbed by the existing budget.

Motion was made by Councilmember Farr with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Items 4a and 4b of the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Farr, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Beasley

Item 4c was briefly discussed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Farr with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve Item 4c as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Farr, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Beasley

(5) Presentation regarding Beekeeping

Ms. Michelle Boerst, a Texas Master Beekeeper, gave a brief overview of beekeeping in residential areas. She explained that she assisted the City of Denton with an ordinance that addressed beekeepers and beekeeping as well as neighboring property. The consensus of the Council was to move forward in the development of an ordinance.

(6) Discussion of Saginaw National Guard Property

This item was discussed after Item No. 7.

(7) Discussion of a Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee

Mayor Flippo explained that the City is growing, and as a result, the population is becoming more diverse. He proposed the creation of a twelve to fifteen member Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee. There was discussion of the proposed committee, appointment of members, and their duties. The consensus of the Council was to direct staff to draft an ordinance for future Council consideration.

(6) Discussion of Saginaw National Guard Property

The Saginaw National Guard Property was discussed. The property is approximately 145 acres and houses readiness and rehabilitation services of the National Guard. City Attorney Meredith explained that he has been informed that there are no current plans to move the active facility or its operations which includes approximately fifty employees. He stated the use of a lobbyist would be needed to pursue this further since the property is controlled by the Federal Government. The Council concurred for City Attorney Meredith to contact a lobbyist group to get more information as well as costs for their services in regards to this particular property.

(8) Discussion of Future Facility and Bond Project Planning

City Manager Reaume explained that the City is in a good position to plan for the future. He stated that staff needs direction for a potential May 2021 bond election. The deadline for a list of propositions and to call an election is Friday, February 12th. Future needs, recommendations from the Citizens Bond Committee, and the 2019 Facility Needs Assessment were briefly discussed. Mayor Flippo requested the Councilmembers be considering whether to call a bond election in May 2021, what items would be on the ballot, and what amounts for the items. The Council concurred to discuss this further at the next City Council Meeting. Councilmember Farr requested information regarding the City's debt capacity prior to the next meeting.

- (9) Consideration and Action regarding Ordinance No. 2020-23, amending Section 2-163 of the Code of Ordinances, designating the Planning and Zoning Commission to serve as the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee in accordance with Chapter 395 of the Texas Local Government Code, making such appointments to the Committee as may be necessary and dissolving the current Capital Improvements Advisory Committee of the City

City Manager Reaume explained that proposed Ordinance No. 2020-23 dissolves the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee and transfers the duties of this committee to the Planning and Zoning Commission. He stated that there have been quorum issues for some time and with a recent resignation there are two vacant positions on the five member committee. City Attorney Meredith added that State Law allows the Planning and Zoning Commission to assume the duties of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee and if there isn't at least one representative from the real estate, development or building industries then one such representative shall be appointed as an ad hoc voting member. Director of Public Works Trice stated that Mike Parish, the current chairman of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee, meets the stated criteria has agreed to serve as an ad hoc member.

Motion was made by Councilmember Farr with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Ordinance No. 2020-23 designating the Planning and Zoning Commission to serve as the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee and appointing Mike Parish as the ad hoc voting member of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Farr, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Beasley

(10) 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

1 § 551.072. Texas Government Code. Deliberations regarding Real Property. The City Council may Convene in executive session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if Deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations With a third person, including the following matters:

- (a) Property located on Longhorn Road

1 § 551.087. Texas Government Code. Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations. The City Council may convene in executive session to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate,

stay, or expand in or near the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described above, including:

- a. Building Improvement Grant Application—124 W. McLeroy Blvd.
- b. Building Improvement Grant Application—808 Longhorn Road
- c. Business Prospect on Property located on Longhorn Road

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting recessed into Executive Session at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting back in Regular Session at 8:00 p.m.

(11) Adjournment

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

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Farr, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Beasley

Mayor Flippo declared the City Council Meeting of November 3, 2020 adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Janice England, City Secretary

Todd Flippo, Mayor