Minutes
Forney City Council
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting
City Hall, 101 E. Main Street, Forney, Texas 75126

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Present were Mayor Rick Wilson, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Penn and Council Members Mike Thomas, Shaun Myers, Robbie Powers, Kevin Moon and David Johnson. Also present was City Manager Tony Carson.

II. INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – COUNCIL MEMBER MIKE THOMAS

Byron Milligan the Youth Pastor at Lakepointe Church Forney gave the invocation and Council Member Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation to Cory McGee

The Council presented a commemorative pocket watch to Mr. McGee and thanked him for his time and service to the community.

IV. OPEN FORUM/CITIZEN COMMENTS

This is the public’s opportunity to address the City Council on any matter related to the City. However, in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.041, the City Council cannot discuss, consider, or take action on matters not listed on the agenda. The City Council will receive citizen comments, and if necessary, may refer the matter to City staff for research, resolution or referral to Council on a future agenda. As described in the City’s Public Meeting Procedures, comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

Mayor Wilson opened the floor to anyone in the audience who wished to address the Council on any subject not on tonight’s agenda. The following person came forward and addressed the Council:

   Laurie Cox
   22 Estate Lane
   Forney, Texas 75126

Ms. Cox stated that sewage has backed up into their home. TML denied her claim and she wants the city to help her with this.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the Minutes from the February 5, 2019 City Council Meeting.

Mayor Wilson asked if Council had any changes to the Minutes. There being no changes, Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Council Member Myers made a motion to approve the Minutes from the February 5, 2019, meeting and Council Member Moon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
VI. CONSENT AGENDA

[The items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Council Member.]

1. Consider a Resolution to extend the depository banking contract with American National Bank for a one-year term.

2. Consider approval of the authorization to allow staff to seek bids for the construction of the West Broad Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project, and all related issues.

3. Consider approval of a site plan for Breeze-In Gas Station and Car Wash, located north of Don T. Cates Drive and east of North F.M. 548.

4. Consider approval of a site plan for Golden Chick, located southwest of the intersection of North F.M. 548 and Ridgecrest Road.

5. Consider approval of a preliminary plat for Travis Ranch, Phase 1H, a residential subdivision located west of F.M. 740 and north of Lake Ray Hubbard Drive in the City of Forney, Texas, extra-territorial jurisdiction.


Mayor Wilson pulled Consent Agenda No. 5 and called for a motion on the remaining Consent Agenda items. Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 4 and Consent Agenda Items 6 and 7. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Community Development Director Peter Morgan discussed Consent Agenda No. 5. This property is located in the ETJ. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. Morgan advised that TxDOT did approve the Traffic Impact Analysis and made them add turn lanes. Mayor Wilson stated that the area is too crowded, but we do not have the zoning authority to control this. The City can only accept and review plats. Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Penn made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item No. 5 and Council Member Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay [Wilson].

VII. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. Vision 2025 -- Goals and Initiatives

City Manager Carson advised that there was nothing to discuss.
2. Discuss and consider approval adopting the Proposed Thoroughfare Plan.

City Manager Carson gave the update on the Proposed Thoroughfare Plan. The only change from our last meeting is on page 7, figure 2. Jody Short of Lee Engineering was present to answer any questions. Council Member Moon asked how often we review the Thoroughfare Plan. Mr. Short advised that because of our growth, that we should review it in a 5 year time frame. He stated we could amend it at any time. Mayor Wilson stated he wants a public hearing on this at our next meeting. Council took no action on this item.

3. Discuss and consider approval of a site plan for Platinum Collision, located north of U.S. Highway 80 and east of Mustang Boulevard.

Community Development Director Peter Morgan discussed the background of this item. Kelsie Lynn, representing the property owner, requests approval of a site plan for Platinum Collision. The purpose of the request is to establish the site design for the development of a car collision repair center.

Current Standards:

To the west of the property is the existing car collision repair center. To the north of the property is the North Mustang Business Park. To the east of the property is Winslow’s Custom Buildings. The request to rezone this property from GR, General Retail District to C, Commercial District was approved by City Council on November 20, 2018. The zoning of the property permits car collision centers which is defined as major automobile repair by Section 49, Definitions, of the City of Forney Compressive Zoning Ordinance:

26. AUTOMOBILE REPAIR, MAJOR - General repair or reconditioning of engines, air-conditioning systems and transmissions for motor vehicles; wrecker service; collision repair services including body, frame or fender straightening or repair; customizing; painting; vehicle steam cleaning; undercoating and rust proofing; those uses listed under "Automobile Repair, Minor"; and other similar uses.

Site Plan:

The site plan shows that the proposed building is 14,264 square feet. The zoning ordinance states that non-residential buildings need to have a minimum of 90% masonry construction, more-or-less equally distributed around all sides of the building. The building elevation plan displays a front elevation that consists of 100% masonry and the side and rear facades are 100% metal siding. The applicant is requesting a variance to request to use alternative materials per City of Forney Zoning Ordinance 42.2 (F):

1. All written requests for alternative exterior building materials (including roof pitch and materials) shall be clearly noted and described in detail on a color façade plan that is submitted along with the site plan (for multi-family, single-family attached and non-residential structures only). The City may require submission of an actual sample(s) of the proposed exterior finish material(s) along with the façade plan and the site plan.

2. The Planning & Zoning Commission may recommend, and the City Council may approve, an alternative exterior construction material(s) if it is determined to be equivalent or better than the exterior materials otherwise required by this Subsection and by the City’s Building Code as part of the site plan approval process.
3. Consideration for exceptions to the above exterior construction requirements shall be based only upon the following:

(1) Architectural design, creativity and innovation;

(2) Compatibility with surrounding structures;

(3) Relative ease of maintenance of the material(s);

(4) Long-term durability and weather-resistance of the material(s); and

(5) Long-term stability in property value due to the high quality of the material(s)

The site plan displays thirty-one (31) parking spaces. The site plan shows access to the East Highway 80 frontage will be shared with the existing car collision repair center.

The landscape plan meets the requirements of the zoning ordinance. Trees are provided throughout the property and plantings are provided. Any signage shown will require a separate review and permit.

Recommendation:
On February 7, 2019, the City of Forney Planning and Zoning Commission voted 6-0 to recommend approval with the stipulation that masonry exterior construction materials are added to both side facades. The masonry materials must be provided from grade elevation to five feet (5') above the grade elevation.

Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Council Member Powers made a motion to approve the site plan for Platinum Collision with the conditions and stipulations per the site plan and Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

4. Discuss and consider approval of a final plat for Eagle Ridge, Phase 4, located southeast of the intersection of Ridgecrest Road and Longhorn Lane.

Community Development Director Peter Morgan discussed the background of this item. Mr. James Harrington, representing the property owner, requests approval of a final plat for Eagle Ridge, Phase 4. The final plat consists of 39.885 acres of land located southeast of the intersection of Ridgecrest Drive and Longhorn Lane. The purpose of the request is to establish the necessary boundary and easements for single-family residential development of the property.

Current Standards:
The 39.885-acre property is currently vacant and undeveloped. The property is part of the Eagle Ridge single-family residential subdivision, located south of Ridgecrest Road. This property is zoned within the Hamblen Estates Planned Development.

The Eagle Ridge subdivision operates under the rights granted by the Hamblen Estates planned development ordinance and a preliminary plat that was approved by City Council on October 21, 2008.

The approved preliminary plat allows for a park land dedication of 4.07 acres adjacent to Mustang Creek. The applicant previously submitted a plat that did not match the layout or park dedication of the preliminary plat. City Council did not approve that plat layout.
Final Plat:
The final plat shows a proposed park land dedication of 7.28 acres and 8.88 acres of H.O.A. open space. The plat includes the relocation of an Atmos gas easement, as shown on the plat. The gas easement was previously shown to go through the center of the subdivision. The revisions result in a total of 103 single-family lots in Phase 4 and a total of 251 single-family lots for the entire Eagle Ridge subdivision, with an average lot area of 7,882.23 square feet.

Accessibility:
The plat shows one new connection to Ridgecrest Drive from Eagle Ridge Road. Two connections are made to the existing phases east of the property.

Future Requirements:
If the final plat is approved, future development of the property will require approval of:

1. Building Plans (staff approved)

Recommendation:
On January 16, 2019, the City of Forney Parks and Recreation Board considered the park land dedication for the plat. The Board recommends the payment of $1,200/lot in lieu of any land dedication and changing the ownership and maintenance of any open space on the plat from the City to the HOA. The applicant was agreeable to this recommendation.

On February 7, 2019, the City of Forney Planning and Zoning Commission voted 6-0 to recommend approval of the plat with the same stipulations as the Parks and Recreation Board. This includes the payment of $1,200/lot in lieu of any land dedication and all open space on the plat being owned and maintained by the HOA.

Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the final plat with the stipulations listed and Mayor Pro Tem Penn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

5. Discuss and take action on an Interlocal Agreement with Kaufman County for road maintenance, enhancements, repairs, and other projects located within the City of Forney.

City Attorney Jon Thatcher discussed the background of this item. Kaufman County has the ability to assist the City of Forney in performing various road maintenance, enhancements, repairs and other projects within the City of Forney. However, before the County can commit to such assistance, there must be an agreement between the City and the County providing for the procedure of initiating such projects.

The proposed agreement affords the City the opportunity to submit requests for service on projects to the County. The County will send submit a cost estimate for the work and if accepted by the City, the City will place the estimated funds in escrow with the County. Once the work is performed and accepted by the City, the funds will be released to the County.

This item is not specific to any specific projects, but anticipates future requests by the City to the County for assistance.
Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem Penn made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Kaufman County and Council Member Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

6. Discuss and take action on a request from the City of Melissa to become a member city of the Regional Wastewater System and the Upper East Fork Interceptor System operated by the North Texas Municipal Water District.

City Attorney Thatcher discussed the background of this item. The City of Melissa is requesting to become a member of the Regional Wastewater System and the Upper East Fork Interceptor System operated by the NTMWD. The City of Forney is currently a member of these systems. Melissa is currently a customer of the systems and pays a 20% surcharge on their usage. NTMWD will hold a public hearing on March 1, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the NTMWD Administration Building, 501 E. Brown St., Wylie, Texas. NTMWD is requesting that the City of Forney provide a response regarding any support or otherwise for the City of Melissa’s request.

Council Member Moon left the Council Chambers.

Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Council Member Powers made a motion to send a letter to the North Texas Municipal Water District to allow the City of Melissa to become a member city of the Regional Wastewater System and the Upper East Fork Interceptor System operated by the North Texas Municipal Water District. Mayor Pro Tem Penn seconded the motion and the motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 absent [Moon].

Council Member Moon returned to the Council Chambers.

7. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance amending the Forney EDC 2018-19 Fiscal Year budget to transfer $7,800 from the EDC Fund Balance to the Professional Services line item.

EDC Director Warren Kettelmann discussed the background of this item. The Forney EDC Board of Directors met on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 and approved funds in the amount of $7,800 for professional services from Eric L. Davis Engineering. The Board considered two proposals but selected Eric L. Davis Engineering as the qualified, lower cost proposal. Their work will be to provide “Visual Reimaging of Main Street Design between Center Street and Chestnut Street in downtown Forney, Texas.” This work is in response to City Council direction as per the Council Planning Retreat held on Saturday, November 17, 2018. This reimagining work will provide the “vision” to serve as a guide to assist in the future redevelopment of Main Street from downtown to Chestnut Street. Total budget amendment request is $7,800.

Mayor Wilson called for a motion. Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve an Ordinance amending the Forney EDC 2018-2019 Fiscal Year budget to transfer $7,800 from the EDC Fund Balance to the Professional Services line item and Mayor Pro Tem Penn seconded the motion. The ordinance caption was read as follows:

CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 19-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 18-38, AS AMENDED, WHICH APPROVED AND ADOPTED A GENERAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019, BY TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM EDC FUND BALANCE TO EDC
The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

8. Discuss and consider appointments to various boards and commissions including: Planning and Zoning Commission, TIF Board, HOZ/ARB, and Building and Standards.

City Secretary Brooks discussed the background of this item. The following motions and votes were taken:

**Building Standards Commission**

Council Member Powers made a motion to appoint Paul Anderson to the Building and Standards Commission, Member 1, with a term ending June 30, 2019 and Mayor Pro Tem Penn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

**Planning and Zoning Commission**

Mayor Wilson made a motion to appoint Kathryn Coffman to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Member 6, with a term ending June 30, 2020, and Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. The motion failed by a vote of 2 ayes and 5 nays [Thomas, Myers, Powers, Moon and Penn].

Council Member Moon made a motion to appoint James Traylor to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Member 6, with a term ending June 30, 2020, and Mayor Pro Tem Penn seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay [Wilson].

**HOZ/ARB**

Council Member Johnson made a motion to appoint Andy Parker to the HOZ/ARB, Member 2, with a term ending June 30, 2019 and Mayor Wilson seconded the motion. The motion failed by a vote of 2 ayes and 5 nays [Thomas, Myers, Powers, Moon and Penn].

Council Member Myers made a motion to appoint James Hatley to the HOZ/ARB, Member 2, with a term ending June 30, 2019 and Council Member Moon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

**TIF Board**

Mayor Wilson made a motion to appoint Ann Lemons to the TIF Board, Member 2, with a term ending December 31, 2020. There was no second.

Mayor Pro Tem Penn made a motion to appoint Russell Calhoun to the TIF Board, Member 2, with a term ending December 31, 2020 and Council Member Moon seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay [Wilson].

**VIII. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

The City Manager will discuss current city activities, upcoming meetings, future legislative activities, and other related matters for possible action, including the following:

City Manager Carson had several items.

1. Municipal Court Warrant Round-Up will be March 1st.
3. FISD will be holding their Special Olympics on April 18th.

4. The Parks Department will be hosting Positive Coaching Seminars at FHS on 2/21 and on 2/23 at NFHS.

5. Mr. Carson introduced Karl Zook our new City Engineer. Mr. Carson stated that Mr. Zook had already made some good changes.

IX. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Pursuant to Section 551.0415 Tex. Govt Code, City Council Members may make a report about items of community interest during a meeting of the governing body without having given notice of the report. Items of Community Interest Include:

Council Member Thomas thanked Cory McGee for his service.

Council Member Myers thanked Cory McGee for his service, and he thanked Peter and his staff for their hard work. He thanked Warren Kettman and his staff for their hard work.

Council Member Powers thanked Cory McGee for his service. She thanked Peter for working with the developers. She thanked Warren for his hard work. She also thanked everyone who wants to serve.

Council Member Moon thanked Cory McGee for his service. He stated Cory did a fantastic job. He thanked Marty Reid for inviting him to his church. He thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Mayor Pro Tem Penn thanked staff for their hard work. She thanked Tony for all he does. She welcomed Karl Zook. She and Shaun participated in the Donkey Basketball Fund Raiser. The ROTC Military Ball was beautiful.

Council Member Johnson thanked everyone for coming out tonight. He brought attention to the sewer project on West Broad. This will open up acreage for development. He thanked Cory for his service.

Mayor Wilson thanked Cory for his service. He thanked the FISD and ROTC for a great event. The AFJROTC Military Ball promotes great young adults/cadets. They do make our community better.

Mayor Wilson stated that from now on all executive session items will be on the agenda as an open item with all backup documentation before any discussion will take place in executive session.

Mayor Wilson stated there would be no executive session tonight and adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS, this 5th day of March, 2019.

Mary Penn, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary

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