CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 22, 2024

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Work Session on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 2:01 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Paul Meltzer (Virtual) and Council Members Brian Beck, Vicki Byrd, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee

ABSENT: None

Also present were Assistant City Manager Christine Taylor and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

The posted agenda noted the registration process for in-person, call-in, and public participation at this meeting. While citizen commentary received via the online registration process was not read, each member for the City Council received each online commentary as it was submitted. In-person, call-in, and online comments received are reflected in the exhibit to the minutes of this meeting.

WORK SESSION

1. **Citizen Comments on Consent Agenda Items**

   None

2. **Requests for clarification of agenda items listed on this agenda for public hearing and individual consideration.**

   • Clarification:

   o None

   • Pulled For Individual Consideration:

   o None

3. **Work Session Reports**

A. ID 24-2091 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the City of Denton's 89th State Legislative Program. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 45 minutes]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Council requested additional information on items related to the regulation of pet stores and municipal court funding for Class C misdemeanor cases.

B. ID 24-2094 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding a business inclusion program for the City's procurement department. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City Council consensus was to move forward with the Staff recommendation.

C. ID 24-1432 Receive information from staff, discuss, deliberate, and provide staff with direction on the proposed Complaint Review, Investigation, and Corrective Action against City Council Appointees Policy. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City Council consensus was to move forward with the Staff recommendation.

D. ID 24-1495 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on pending City Council requests for: 1.) Temporarily expanding the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee from seven members to eleven members for a single two-year term, suspending residency requirements, allowing any Council Member to nominate individuals for the additional positions, and increasing meeting frequency from quarterly to monthly. 2.) Publishing all Council Member travel records and expenses on the City website and updating as necessary. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City Council consensus was as follows:

o No consensus for an Informal Staff Report for Council request 1.
o Consensus for an Informal Staff Report for Council request 2.

The work session started at 2:01 p.m. and recessed at 3:41 p.m. for City Council to enter into closed session.

The Mayor called a short recess at 3:41 p.m. The meeting resumed at 3:53 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING

The City Council convened into a Closed Meeting at 3:53 p.m. consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law, as follows:

A. ID 24-2028 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086; Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Receive information from staff regarding an update to the Denton Municipal Electric Energy Risk Management Policy that includes public power utility competitive data; discuss, deliberate, and provide direction to staff regarding same. Consultation with City's attorney regarding legal issues associated with the above matter where a public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton and the Denton City Council under Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct of State Bar of Texas, or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative proceeding or potential litigation.
DELIBERATED

B. ID 24-1882 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086; Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Receive information from staff containing public power information related to a Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Denton, as seller of power and electric energy services, and Core Scientific Inc.; discuss, deliberate, and provide direction to staff regarding same. Consultation with City's attorney regarding issues associated with the above matter where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City attorneys to the City of Denton under Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative or potential litigation.
DELIBERATED

The closed meeting started at 3:53 p.m. and ended at 4:58 p.m. No votes or actions were taken during the closed meeting.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 5:08 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Paul Meltzer (Virtual) and Council Members Brian Beck, Vicki Byrd, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee

ABSENT: None

Also present were Assistant City Manager Cassey Ogden and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

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2. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 4. A-AC. During the Work Session held earlier in the day, no items were pulled for Individual Consideration.

Council Member Jester moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Beck.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

A. ID 24-1116 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton, Texas, establishing the terms for the resident members of the Mobility Committee; and providing for an effective date.
ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 24-1116

B. ID 24-2027 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton repealing ordinance No. 23-1691; approving the 2024 Denton Municipal Electric - Energy Risk Management Policy (the "2024 ERMP"); delegating authority as provided in the 2024 ERMP; authorizing and approving the subsequent execution of such other ancillary and related documents, including, without limitation, contracts, nominations, certificates, assignments, licenses, directions, instruments, confirmations, orders, and statements as are authorized by the 2024 ERMP, which are incident to or related thereto; confirming that the city of Denton, its mayor, its city council members, its city manager, its city attorney, and its city secretary are authorized to perform such acts and obligations as are reasonably required to consummate those future transactions which are provided for and authorized by the 2024 ERMP; finding that the purchase of electricity, natural gas, and related commodities and instruments are exempt from the requirements of competitive bidding; finding that the purchase of electric energy, natural gas, and related commodities and instruments made by the city under the terms of the 2024 ERMP are in the public welfare of the citizens and electric ratepayers of the city; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor; and, providing an effective date. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval [6-0].
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2027

C. ID 24-1997 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD)

Community Outdoor Outreach Program 2025 in an amount not to exceed $20,000 for program costs to create an environmental education program; and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 24-1997

D. ID 24-2057 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Area Running Club for the 2024 Turkey Trot and Kids Gobble Wobble sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($3,890 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2057

E. ID 24-2058 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Black Chamber of Commerce for the 2025 Denton Blues Festival sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($20,250 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2058

F. ID 24-2059 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Black Film Festival Institute, Inc., for the 2025 Denton Black Film Festival sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($10,000 cash sponsorship and $5,830 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2059

G. ID 24-2060 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton's Day of the Dead Festival, Inc. for the 2024 Day of the Dead Festival sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($4,240 cash sponsorship and $14,630 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2060

H. ID 24-2061 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Festival Foundation for the 2024 Denton Arts and Jazz Festival sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($20,000 cash sponsorship and $197,110 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2061

I. ID 24-2062 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Holiday Lighting Festival Association for the 2024 Denton Holiday Lighting Festival sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($3,140 cash sponsorship and $22,430 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2062

J. ID 24-2063 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Parks Foundation for the 2025 Cinco de Mayo event sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($29,070 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2063

K. ID 24-2064 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Parks Foundation for the 2025 Dog Days of Denton event sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($7,680 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2064

L. ID 24-2065 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Denton Parks Foundation for the 2025 Juneteenth Celebration event sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($4,710 cash sponsorship and $28,650 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2065

M. ID 24-2066 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Explorium Denton for the 2025 Touch a Truck event sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($2,040 in cash sponsorship and $1,120 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2066

N. ID 24-2067 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Friends with Benefits for the 2025 Boil Buddies Bash - Denton Mudbugs event sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($770 in cash sponsorship and $2,810 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2067

O. ID 24-2068 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Fry Street Charities for the 2025 Fry Street Fair sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($770 in cash sponsorship and $24,220 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2068

P. ID 24-2069 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Greater Denton Arts Council Inc. for the Artists Micro-Grants Program sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($6,280 cash sponsorship - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2069

Q. ID 24-2070 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Kiwanis Youth Services, Inc., for the 2025 Kiwanis Independence Day Jubilee sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($75,300 cash sponsorship and $14,680 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2070

R. ID 24-2071 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and North Texas State Fair Association, Inc., for the 2025 North Texas Fair and Rodeo sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($3,140 cash sponsorship and $19,890 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2071

S. ID 24-2072 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Texas Filmmakers' Corporation for the 2025 Thin Line Fest sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($9,420 cash sponsorship and $3,700 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2072

T. ID 24-2073 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and Texas Veterans Hall of Fame Foundation for the 2024 Induction Ceremony sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($3,140 cash sponsorship - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2073

U. ID 24-2074 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton and United Way of Denton County, Inc. for the 2024 Peterbilt Parade sponsorship; and providing an effective date. ($2,790 in-kind services - Community Partnership Committee recommends approval 2-0)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2074

V. ID 24-2080 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of Change Order No. 6 to the Design-Build Agreement between the City of Denton and Beta Engineering, LLC, for the design and construction of the Hickory Gas Insulated Substation for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 7670 - Change Order No. 6, in the not-to-exceed amount of $750,934.78, for a total contract award aggregated to $42,302,076.26). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2080

W. ID 24-2081 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Jagoe-Public Company, for the Morse Street Reconstruction and Improvements Project for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an

effective date (CSP 8611 - awarded to Jagoe-Public Company, in the not-to-exceed amount of $2,518,025.48). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2081

X. ID 24-2083 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Odessa Pumps and Equipment, Inc., through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract # 672-22, for the purchase of new pumps, pump parts, repair and rebuild of pumps for the Water Production and Water Reclamation Departments; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8654 - awarded to Odessa Pumps and Equipment, Inc., for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount $1,500,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2083

Y. ID 24-2085 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Construction Manager at Risk contract with McCownGordon Construction LLC, for preconstruction services for the Renovation of the City of Denton Service Center for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefore; and providing an effective date (RFP 8567 - awarded to McCownGordon Construction LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of $40,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2085

Z. ID 24-2086 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Transcend, Inc. dba SPA Skateparks, through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Cooperative Program Contract # 02042315, for the purchase and installation of skate ramp equipment at the Denton Skate Works Park for the Parks and Recreation Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8584 - awarded to Transcend, Inc., dba SPA Skateparks, in the not-to-exceed amount of $71,600.00).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2086

AA. ID 24-2087 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with IDEXX Distribution, Inc., for veterinary testing supplies and services for the Animal Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8615 - awarded to IDEXX Distribution, Inc., for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total of five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of $300,000.00).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2087

AB. ID 24-2088 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Doosan Bobcat North America, Inc. dba Bobcat Company, through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Network Contracts #684-22, 685-22, and 706-23, for authorized Bobcat

equipment purchases, maintenance, and repair services for the Fleet Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8661 - awarded to Doosan Bobcat North America, Inc. dba Bobcat Company, for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of $2,100,000.00).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2088

AC. ID 24-2095 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, ratifying the expenditure of funds by the City Manager for cured in place pipe liner emergency rehabilitation for the Wastewater Collections Department through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract # 731-24; and providing an effective date (File 8674 - awarded to Fuquay, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $199,815.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2095

4. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

A. ID 24-2035 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas authorizing the expenditure of funds for the payment of wholesale transmission charges in the total amount of $9,437,871.69 and, providing an effective date. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (5-0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2035

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and no discussion followed.

Council Member Beck moved to adopt the item presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Byrd.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

B. ID 24-1526 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton considering all matters incident and related to the issuance, sale and delivery of $10,135,000 in principal amount of "City of Denton, Texas Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024" to the Texas Water Development Board; authorizing the issuance of the bonds; approving and authorizing instruments and procedures relating to said bonds; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-1526
There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Council Member Beck moved to adopt the item presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Byrd.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

C. ID 24-2098 Consider nomination/appointment of Jason Kalishek as the ad hoc member of the City of Denton's Capital Improvement Advisory Committee.
APPROVED

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Council Member McGee moved to adopt the item presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Jester.

Motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hudspeth, and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (1): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer

D. ID 24-2084 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc., for regulatory permitting, process evaluation, and design services for the Ray Roberts Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project for the Water Utilities Department as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 7574-029 - Professional Services Agreement for regulatory permitting, process evaluation, and design services awarded to Freese and Nichols, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of $21,000,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2084
There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Council Member McGee moved to adopt the item presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

E. ID 24-2008 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas establishing the schedule of rates for electric service; amending the Distributed Generation From Renewable Resources Rider and Renewable Cost Adjustment Schedules; providing for a repealer; providing for a severability clause; and providing for an effective date. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (6-0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2008

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

Mayor Hudspeth moved to adopt the item as presented.

Follow discussion, Council Member Beck moved to adopt the item with an amended rate of 10.75 cents.

The Mayor declined to accept the motion from Council Member Beck as the Mayor had already registered a motion in the system.

Following discussion, Mayor Hudspeth moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Council Member Beck moved to amend the rate to 10.7 cents. Motion seconded by Council Member McGee.

Motion to amend the rate to 10.7 cents failed.

AYES (3): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck and McGee

NAYS (4): Mayor Hudspeth, Council Members Byrd, Holland, and Jester

Council Member Jester moved to amend the rate to 5 cents. Motion to amend seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer.

Council Member McGee moved to Table the Item. Motion seconded by Council Member Beck.

Motion to Table failed.

AYES (3): Council Members Beck, Byrd, and McGee

NAYS (4): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer, Council Members Holland and Jester

Further discussion was held on the motion to amend the rate to 5 cents.

Following discussion, the vote was held on the motion to amend the rate to 5 cents. Motion to amend carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (1): Council Member Holland

Council Member Beck called a Point of Order to confirm the seconder on the underlying motion. Mayor Hudspeth called again for a second on the underlying motion to adopt the item. Council Member Holland seconded the motion.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer, Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

1. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

A. ID 24-2128 Proclamation: Honoring State Representative Lynn Stucky
PRESENTED

4. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION (continued)

F. ID 24-2135 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton suspending a portion of Section E.7, "Recusals," of the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Meetings and Hearings of the Board of Ethics to allow for the processing of Ethics Complaint 24-002; and providing an effective date.

The Mayor recused from this item and left the City Council Chambers.

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented.

Council Member Jester moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Discussion followed.

Motion failed.

AYES (2): Council Members Holland and Jester

NAYS (4): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, and McGee

RECUSED (1): Mayor Hudspeth

Mayor Hudspeth returned to the City Council Chambers.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. ID 24-2013 Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance City of Denton making a finding, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife code, that (1) there are no feasible and prudent alternatives to the change in use of approximately 3.739 acres of city park land, located within Denia park in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas, from a park to a public school for the construction of Denton Independent School District Borman Elementary School and (2) finding that all reasonable and planning has been done to minimize harm to the land as a park; and providing an effective date. (The Parks, Recreation and Beautification Board recommends approval with a vote of 5-0).

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

With no other callers on queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer moved to postpone the item. Motion seconded by Council Member Beck.

Motion carried.

AYES (4): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Holland, and McGee

NAYS (3): Mayor Hudspeth and Council Members Byrd and Jester

B. DCA23-0002l Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas amending the Denton Development Code, regarding short-term rental use regulations and definitions, specifically amendments to Section Table 5.2-A- Table of Allowed Uses, Section 5.3.1 Use-Specific Standards - Generally, Section 5.3.5: Commercial Use-Specific Standards, Table 7.9-I Parking, and Section 9.2: Definitions; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of $2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted [5-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Villareal and seconded by Commissioner Pruett. (DCA23-0002l, Short-Term Rentals, Angie Manglaris)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. DCA23-002l

All members of the City Council received the comments as submitted and had the opportunity to review all submissions prior to the start of the meeting and consider such comments when voting on the item. The summary of public commentary/registrations are noted on Exhibit A. Check!

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

With no other callers on queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Mayor Hudspeth moved to adopt the item prefacing his motion that he had amendments to the item for motion. Council Member Beck called for a Point of Order to clarify the motion and process. Mayor Hudspeth confirmed his motion to adopt with notation of three amendments. Motion seconded by Council Member Jester.

Mayor Hudspeth moved to amend the underlying Item by removing the 100 foot separation listed in Item V. Motion Seconded by Council Member Jester with discussion.

Mayor Hudspeth moved to amend the underlying Item by removing the 1000 registration cap. Motion Seconded by Council Member Holland.

Council Member Beck called for a Point of Order to clarify the process for amendments. Legal confirmed the process.

Mayor Hudspeth made a motion to amend the underlying Item by removing the MD District from the 10% limitation. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Discussion followed.

The vote was called on the motion to amend the underlying Item by removing the 100 foot separation listed in Item V.

Council Member Holland called a Point of Order to clarify the action to be voted upon.

Discussion followed.

Motion failed.

AYES (3): Mayor Hudspeth, Council Members Holland and Jester

NAYS (4): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer, Council Members Beck, Byrd, and McGee

The vote was called on the motion to amend the underlying Item by removing the 1000 registration cap.

Discussion followed.

Motion failed.

AYES (2): Mayor Hudsepth and Council Member Holland

NAYES (5): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Jester, and McGee

The vote was called on the motion to amend the underlying Item by removing the MD District from the 10% limitation.

Discussion followed.

Motion failed.

AYES (2): Mayor Hudspeth and Council Member Holland

NAYES (5): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Jester, and McGee

The vote was called on the motion to adopt the underlying item as presented.

Further discussion was held.

Motion carried.

AYES (5): Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (2): Mayor Hudspeth and Council Member Holland

C. ID 24-1932 Conduct the second of two public hearings and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton approving a Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Denton and Legends Ranch Municipal Utility District of Denton County; authorizing and

directing the Mayor of the City to execute the Strategic Partnership Agreement and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-1932

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

With no other callers on queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Council Member Holland moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Beck.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

D. AESA24-0001b Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, approving an ecological mitigation plan for the disturbance of approximately 1.05 acres of Environmentally Sensitive Area generally located 266.11 feet east of Country Club Road and to the north of Hobson Lane in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; adopting an amendment to the city's official environmentally sensitive areas map; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of $2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted [5-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Pruett and second by Commissioner Ellis. (AESA24-0001b, Grand Parkside, Christi Upton)
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. AESA24-0001b

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Council Member Jester moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Byrd.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

E. AESA24-0002b Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the city of Denton, Texas, approving an ecological mitigation plan for the disturbance of approximately 29.9 acres of Environmentally Sensitive Areas generally located north of Johnson Lane, south of Allred Road and 2,325 feet east of John Paine Road in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; adopting an amendment to the city's official environmentally sensitive areas map; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of $2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted [5-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Pruett and second by Commissioner Thaggard. (AESA24-0002b, Dentex, Christi Upton) **ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. AESA24-0002b**

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Council Member McGee moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Beck.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Meltzer and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

5. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

GERARD HUDSPETH
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

LAUREN THODEN
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: November 19, 2025