

REGULAR SESSION

JUNE 27, 2016

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Regular Session on Monday, June 27, 2016, 5:30 p.m. in the Derek D. Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center, 201 W. Corsicana St., Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor
Tres Winn, Mayor Pro-Tem
Monte Montgomery
Joe Whatley
Ed McCain

Philip Rodriguez, City Manager
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary
Blake Armstrong, City Attorney

others present: Buddy Hill, Thanasis Kombos, Lawrence Cutrone, John McQueary, Becky Roseberry, Barbara Holly, Irene Kasujja, Lisa Denton, Bruce Lawrence, Charlie Tidmore, Carol Morton, Allen Ross, Jana Livingston, Tom Leathan, Lacy Lowry, Will Traxson, Paul Calhoun, John Ringler, Rich Flowers, , and other interested citizens;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The invocation was given by Jason Smith.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

PROCLAMATION FOR THE FISHER ALL SCHOOL REUNION WEEKEND

Mayor Vaught stated he would delay the reading of a Proclamation for the Fisher All School Reunion to allow a representative to be present.

Consent Agenda:

- a) Consider approving the minutes of the May 9, 2016 Regular Session
- b) Consider approving the minutes of the May 19, 2016 Special Session
- c) Consider approving the minutes of the May 26, 2016 Vision and Strategy Session
- d) Consider a Supplemental Appropriation from General Fund unallocated fund balance in the amount of \$7,200 for a new portable office and restroom building at the Community Collection site

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Whatley to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORTS:

a) STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Barbara Holly, Interim Planning Director, updated Council on the following projects:

1. AT&T has started construction on East Tyler Street
2. Clayton Homes has started on a remodel and an addition on West Corsicana.
3. Edward Jones will start construction on new building on Crestway
4. Jewelry Store, 209 Crestway, has no recent inspections. Replat is pending surveyor corrections
5. AISD High School has submitted plans for Bruce Field concession stand and field house

6. Park 19 (29 lot subdivision on S. Palestine) has begun infrastructure construction
7. Athens Brewery passed all inspections. Certificate of Occupancy is imminent
8. Country Place Assisted Living Facility, 209 Wood St, nearing completion

Building Permit value is as follow

Date	Construction Value	Permit Value
March	\$60,500.00	\$467.00
April	\$148,101.00	\$719.00
May	\$927,640.00	\$5,954.84
Total	\$1,136,241.00	\$7,140.84

Total Permits including MEP:

March: 39
 April: 40
 May: 40

b) STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT AND PROPOSED UTILITY PROJECTS

Lawrence Cutrone, Interim Director of Public Works, updated the Council on the following projects:

1. Line Maintenance - North Prairieville Rd, replace 4” cast iron water pipe. Bids will be developed for a bore under intersection. Line Maintenance will trench and lay the pipe; about 1,800 feet worth
2. Mosley Drive, replace 440 feet worth of water pipe
3. Installing AMR (Automatic Meter Reading) for Route 10
4. Collecting estimates on repairing electrical motor repair at plant
5. South 19 overhead storage tank is filled and online
6. Lane Street ground storage tank is expected to be completely repaired by July 1st
7. Meeting Garver Engineering to discuss pressure issues, boring on South 19 and HAA5 issues
8. Collecting estimates on solids removal and repair of the clarifier at West Plant
 Installing AMR (Automatic Meter Reading) for Route
9. Preparation work for vegetation control for street overlays and seal coating of existing streets
10. Prepping fleet and equipment with new city logo

c) UPDATE FROM KSA ENGINEERS

John Ringler with KSA Engineers presented an overview of the design services for a prefabricated booster pump station that would provide residential and light commercial water supply to the existing service area along northeast Highway 31 and Loop 7. The scope of services is based on providing 250 gallon per minutes duplex pump station, a 20,000 gallon ground storage tank, a 4,000 gallon pressure tank, pump station piping and valves, two (2) 12 inch in ground check valve stations, one (1) 10 inch in ground check valve station one (1) 8 inch check valve station, on (1) 3 inch check valve station, site fencing and gate.

Mr. Ringler stated the booster pump station is the lower cost alternative, as well as the quickest. He further stated a booster pump station is repurposeable.

Mr. Ringler further identified Pros and Cons of a booster pump station:

PROS:

Lower capital cost
Project time line
Expandable
Repurposable

CONS:

No impact to fire protection
“Looped” lines in distribution system operating costs
Elevated storage may be impacted by other areas in the system

Mayor Vaught asked when evaluating for the future and in effort to have fire protection, how soon could a project start, with Mr. Ringler stating you must evaluate the impact to the distribution system. He stated his model was a skeletonized model that only determined the fire flows in corridor. He stated there needs to be a study for fire flow impacts to the rest of the distribution system. He stated the City should look at a hydraulic model for the entire system.

Mr. Ringler stated that there could possibly be a cost sharing with Athens Municipal Water.

He further stated for a hydraulic model it could take up to three (3) months to gather data and ensure the information is accurate and perform model runs.

Mayor Vaught asked if there was an approximate figure for the solution, with Mr. Ringler stating if a stand pipe is placed in the area you are easily looking at \$2-\$3 million dollars pretty quick.

Councilmember Whatley asked if the hydromantic plan was used it would be \$3 to \$4 hundred thousand dollars, with Mr. Ringler yes.

Councilmember Winn asked if this is a long term fix with Councilmember Whatley stating it is a short term.

After further discussion regarding a short term solution versus a long term solution, Mayor Vaught stated he did not want to place a band aide on the issues.

Councilmember Winn stated it should be fixed correctly the first time.

Mayor Vaught stated the City should consider the long term plan.

Councilmember Montgomery asked Mr. Ringler for his recommendation.

Mr. Ringler stated generally speaking it is a 4, 5 or 6 step process due to the finances.

Mr. Rodriguez stated there are two (2) unknowns that we likely have answers to soon:

1. The political will of Athens Municipal Water Authority
2. As we develop FY 2017 budget the City will have the debt capacity for a long term solution

Mr. Rodriguez stated that it is an opportunity to capitalize on the longest and truest solution to the problem.

It was the consensus of the City Council to put a hold on any short term fixes, and determine if the city could afford a long term fix.

PROCLAMATION FOR THE FISHER ALL SCHOOL REUNION WEEKEND

Mayor Vaught read a Proclamation for The Fisher All School Reunion Weekend

Financial Report

Becky Roseberry, Interim Director of Finances, presented May Financials.

There was discussion regarding the Fund Balance.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE REZONING OF THOMAS PARMER LEAGUE SURVEY A-782 FROM MULTI-FAMILY 4-(MF- 4) TO MULTI-FAMILY 2-(MF-2), OWNED BY TIDMORE, INC. (NORTHEAST CORNER OF BRYSON AVENUE AND LINDSEY LANE) AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JULY 11, 2016

Ms. Holly explained the owner is requesting the property to be rezoned from Multi-Family 4-(MF-4) to Multi-Family 2-(MF-2), to build duplexes. She stated twenty five (25) notices were sent to surrounding property owners.

Ms. Hambrick read the Ordinance aloud.

A motion was made by Councilmember Whatley, seconded by Councilmember McCain to approve first reading of Ordinance rezoning of Thomas Parmer League Survey A-782 from Multi-Family 4-(MF- 4) to Multi-Family 2-(MF-2), owned by Tidmore, Inc. (Northeast Corner of Bryson Avenue and Lindsey Lane) and set the Public Hearing and Second Reading for July 11, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AWARDDING BIDS FOR 2016 SEAL COAT PROGRAM

Mr. Cutrone explained that bids were opened for the 2016 Seal Coat Program on June 21, 2016. He stated five (5) bids were received from the following contractors:

Contractor	Unit Price	Total Price
SPI Asphalt	\$5.21	\$311,427.75
Brett Construction	\$3.25	\$194,268.75
Reynolds & Kay	\$3.105	\$185,601.38
Old Castle Pavement Solutions	\$4.00	\$239,100.00
Lone Star Equipment Co.	\$3.20	\$191,280.00

Mr. Cutrone recommended awarding to the low bidder, Reynolds and Kay.

A motion was made by Councilmember Winn, seconded by Councilmember Whatley to award bid for 2016 Seal Coat Program to low bidder Reynolds and Kay. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FROM HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX UNALLOCATED FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,000 FOR REMOVAL, RESTORATION AND INSTALLATION OF THE TEXAN THEATER SIGN

Thanasis Kombos, Community Development Manager, explained the budget amendment is for the removal, restoration and installation of the Texan Theater sign.

Steve Morris with Design Center presented color options for the Texan Theater sign.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to select the color scheme D as presented by Steve Morris. A motion was made by Councilmember Winn, seconded by Councilmember McCain to approve the Supplemental Appropriation from Hotel Occupancy Tax unallocated fund balance in the amount of \$14,000 for removal, restoration and installation of the Texan Theater sign. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING AIRPORT HANGAR CONSTRUCTION
APPLICATION FOR AREA 1, LOTS 5 AND 6 AT ATHENS MUNICIPAL
AIRPORT, SUBMITTED BY PAUL CALHOUN

Mr. Kombos explained the hangar construction application that was approved in September of 2014, requested construction of a 50' X 60' hanger at Area 1, Lot 5 and 6 of Athens Municipal Airport (see exhibit for location). The application was requested by Wayne Addkison, operator of FBO Athens Jet Center, for construction of a hanger by Paul Calhoun.

Mr. Kombos stated amended application submitted directly by Paul Calhoun, requests construction of an 80' X 60' hanger, with a corresponding lease width of 125% of the hanger (i.e., 100'). He stated staff recommends approval of the construction application, with the following stipulations:

1. Hangar construction to be a minimum of 15 feet from any adjoining land lease lot lines.
2. Hangar construction to be a minimum of 377 feet from the center line of the runway
3. Lease width no less than 138% the width of the hangar

A motion was made by Councilmember Whatley, seconded by Councilmember McCain to approve airport hangar construction application for Area 1, Lots 5 and 6 at Athens Municipal Airport, submitted by Paul Calhoun with Staff's recommendation with the following stipulations:

1. Hangar construction to be a minimum of 15 feet from any adjoining land lease lot lines
2. Hangar construction to be a minimum of 377 feet from the center line of the runway
3. Lease width no less than 138% the width of the hangar

The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

There was discussion.

MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND/OR CITY MANAGER UPDATES
INVOLVING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ISSUES OF PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Mr. Rodriguez stated a public participation opportunity is available on Tuesday, June 28th at 4:00 p.m. at the Athens Partnership Center for the annual water quality report
2. Mr. Rodriguez stated the Community Budget Forum will be held on July 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at the Cain Center
3. Councilmember McCain stated he had the opportunity to participate with the Athens Independent School District Board in a meeting of Superintendents
4. Mr. Rodriguez reminded the Council of the Elected Official Training hosted by TML

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Councilmember McCain requested an agenda item to discuss and consider a full Forensic Audit
2. Councilmember Winn requested an agenda item to discuss and consider the Old Hospital property

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 11th DAY OF JULY, 2016.

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary