

City Council
August 19, 2019

A briefing session of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the City Council Conference Room at City Hall, 401 S. Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas, on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 6:45 p.m.

Council Members Present: David Hill, Mayor
Mary Lou Shipley, Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Beatty, Councilmember
Kevin Strength, Councilmember
Melissa Olson, Councilmember

Others Present: Michael Scott, City Manager
Albert Lawrence, Assistant City Manager
Tommy Ludwig, Assistant City Manager
Robert Brown, City Attorney
Lori Cartwright, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor David Hill called the meeting to order.

2. Conduct a briefing to discuss agenda items for the 7:00 p.m. regular meeting

City Manager Michael Scott reviewed the Consent Agenda items and recommended approval.

Planning Director Shon Brooks reviewed the following cases:

- PP-19-0092, applicant proposing Preliminary Plat to divide one lot into two lots. Staff recommended approval.
- FP-19-0092, Final Plat of PP-19-0092 and staff recommended approval.
- SU-19-0086, applicant proposes roof top solar panel system. Staff recommended approval.
- SU-19-0094, applicant proposes roof top solar panel system. Staff recommended approval.
- SU-19-0087, applicant proposes replacing ground monument sign with a ground electronic monument sign. Staff recommended approval.
- SU-19-0091, applicant proposes to store shingles to the exterior of an existing building. The applicant is proposing a water tower on the west side of the existing building and planting Arizona Cypress trees around the water tower that will be planted at 12 feet in height. Live Oak and Crepe Myrtle trees will be planted along IH35 frontage road, in addition to a six foot tall ornamental iron fence. Additionally, the applicant is proposing a six foot masonry wall directly adjacent to the materials stored. Staff recommended denial based on the use. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved per the above staff comments.
- PD-19-0022, applicant requested to continue to the City Council meeting of September 16, 2019.
- ZC-19-0089 and PP-19-0090, applicant requested to continue to the City Council meeting of September 3, 2019.

Mr. Scott reviewed a proposed Resolution designating The Waxahachie Sun as the official publication of the city. He stated the Texas Government Code lays out the rules to qualify as a record newspaper.

Mr. Scott reviewed a proposed Ordinance ordering a special election to amend the Charter providing for the designation of the places on the ballot. Councilmember Kevin Strength recommended amending the Proposition to reflect a candidate receiving a majority of all votes for a City Council Place versus a candidate with the most votes. City Attorney Robert Brown explained a majority voting system to win (i.e., more than 50%) versus a plurality system (where the top vote getter wins). He stated the second version would require a runoff if no one candidate gets a majority of the votes cast. The tie-breaker language is standard.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Cartwright
City Secretary