

City Council  
July 15, 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, July 15, 2019 at 6:15 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 following Consent Agenda items:

- 4c – one year renewal contract for sodium chlorite purchase and chlorine dioxide generator rental agreements
- 4d – increasing the Economic Development land budget to purchase downtown properties
- 4e – application for “Stop the Violence” festival at Lee Penn Park

City Manager Scott reviewed item 6 on the agenda noting it is the first step in issuing debt noting this has been in the works since last year when Council approved Resolutions to proceed with projects with the intent to issue debt. He stated later this summer the City will go to market for that issuance.

Councilmember Melissa Olson asked if we have looked at other options to fund the projects. City Manager Scott stated Council has already issued Resolutions of intent and this will reimburse those projects.

Councilmember Olson asked why the city doesn't issue G.O.'s and have an election. City Manager Scott stated they are maintenance issues that keep the city going and are projects we are doing in our existing tax rate. He reviewed the projects that will be listed in the Certificate of Obligations.

Councilmember Olson questioned the rate of G.O.'s verses C.O.'s. Finance Director Charles Harris stated they are negligible. Councilmember Olson asked if we have any other debt rolling off right now. Mr. Scott stated debt is always rolling off.

Director of Planning Shon Brooks reviewed the following:

- SU-19-0071, request for continuance to August 5th City Council meeting.
- RP-19-0077, staff will recommend approval per staff comments.
- RP-19-0069, Replat in the ETJ. Applicant request fire flow waiver from the city then will receive a waiver from Ellis County.
- SP-19-0070, the Planned Development requires a site plan review and approval. Staff recommended approval.
- SU-19-0078, applicant proposes a drive-thru establishment. Requirements have been met for the building and landscaping. Staff will recommend to deny due to it is not the highest and best use for the location.

City Manager Scott stated the agenda reflects an Executive Session. He announced the Council Budget Workshop is slated for Wednesday, July 24, 2019.

### **3. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Cartwright  
City Secretary