

City Council
June 17, 2019

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 401 S. Rogers on Monday, June 17, 2019 at 7:00 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. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of the City Council meeting of June 3, 2019
- b. Minutes of the City Council briefing of June 3 2019
- c. Approval of WCDC recommendation for Phase 2 of Hachie Hearts and Mural projects
- d. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation for Human Resources – Professional Services
- e. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation for Administration – Summer Intern
- f. Approval of establishing an Emergency Management Department and Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019
- g. Juneteenth Parade to be held on June 19, 2019
- h. Juneteenth Celebration at Lee Penn Park to be held on June 22, 2019
- i. Arbor at Willow Grove Summer BBQ & Pool Party to be held on June 29, 2019
- j. Fireworks event at The Avenue Church to be held on June 29, 2019
- k. Community Street Dance (Oak Lawn Reunion) to be held on July 4, 2019
- l. Oak Lawn Memorial Celebration and High School Reunion Parade to be held on July 6, 2019

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved to remove item k. and approve items a. through l. on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

Councilmember Melissa Olson expressed concern with the proposed street closure on item k. City Manager Michael Scott stated staff will work with the applicant on the street closure.

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved to approve item k. subject to staff to working with applicant on the street closure. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

5. Introduce Honorary Councilmember

Mayor Pro Tem Shipley introduced Emmeline Bearden as the Honorary Councilmember for the month of June 2019 and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation for her participation in the Honorary Councilmember program.

6. Consider request by Juan Carlos Flores, Flores Homes INC, for a Preliminary Plat of Clift Estates Phase V for 21 lots, being 7.356 acres situated in the Silas M. Durrett Survey, Abstract 272 (Property ID 239606) – Owner: JUAN C FLORES (PP-19-0058)

Planning Director Shon Brooks presented the Preliminary Plat of Clift Estates Phase V and recommended approval.

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve a request by Juan Carlos Flores, Flores Homes INC, for a Preliminary Plat of Clift Estates Phase V for 21 lots, being 7.356 acres situated in the Silas M. Durrett Survey, Abstract 272 (Property ID 239606) – Owner: JUAN C FLORES (PP-19-0058). Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

7. Consider request by Vernon L. Witherspoon, FirstLook, for a PETITION TO EXTEND APPROVAL pursuant to Appendix C – Subdivisions, Section 2.3 – Procedures and Submission Requirements for Preliminary Plat Approval of PP-17-0088 Lakeridge II (Property ID 186874) – Owner: FERRIS AVENUE BAPTIST DBA THE AVENUE (PP-19-0064)

Mr. Brooks reported the applicant requested a continuance for two (2) years and recommended approval.

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved extend a request by Vernon L. Witherspoon, FirstLook, for a PETITION TO EXTEND APPROVAL pursuant to Appendix C – Subdivisions, Section 2.3 – Procedures and Submission Requirements for Preliminary Plat Approval of PP-17-0088 Lakeridge II (Property ID 186874) – Owner: FERRIS AVENUE BAPTIST DBA THE AVENUE (PP-19-0064) for two (2) years. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

8. Public Hearing on a request by James Bledsoe for a Replat of Lot 9A, Whispering Meadows Addition, to create Lots 9A-1 and 9A-2, Whispering Meadows Addition, 4.997 acres (Property ID 210307) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: JAMES BLEDSOE AND NETA BLEDSOE (RP-19-0059)

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the request meets the requirements of the subdivision regulations except Rockett SUD is not able to provide fire flow.

There being no others to speak for or against RP-19-0059, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

9. Consider approving RP-19-0059

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve a request by James Bledsoe for a Replat of Lot 9A, Whispering Meadows Addition, to create Lots 9A-1 and 9A-2, Whispering Meadows Addition, 4.997 acres (Property ID 210307) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: JAMES BLEDSOE AND NETA BLEDSOE (RP-19-0059). Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

10. Continue Public Hearing on a request by Michael Evans, GSW Land Surveyors, for a Replat of a portion of Lots 3 and 4 and all of Lot 5, Block 14, West End, to create Lot 5R, Block 14, West End, 4.478 acres (Property ID 176761 and 176763) – Owner: CHRISTOPHER L GLEASON (RP-19-0051)

Mayor Hill continued the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the applicant will need to connect to city utilities before the plat is filed. He recommended approval.

Dr. Christopher Gleason, 104 Meadowwood Lane, Red Oak, Texas, stated the property is located at 309 North Grand Avenue and has a barn and covered arena. He presented a power point noting the animal clinic will look like a train depot due to it is next to the railroad tracks. Dr. Gleason requested relief from connecting to city utilities.

Mr. John Bailey, 513 North Rogers Street, Waxahachie, stated the applicant has five (5) acres and the septic has worked well on the property. He requested waiver of connection to the city sewer.

Councilmember Olson stated the city has an ordinance in place depicting connection to city sewer. Assistant City Manager Albert Lawrence confirmed the Ordinance states you must connect to city sewer noting there is a connection in front of the property.

Councilmember Kevin Strength asked Mr. Bailey if he looked at the cost of connecting to the city sewer. Mr. Bailey stated the septic system will cost approximately \$10,000.00 and contractors told me connecting to city sewer will cost approximately \$20,000.00.

City Engineer James Gaertner explained the logistics of the city sewer capacity noting there is plenty of volume in the line.

Mr. Michael Evans, GSW Land Surveyors, 600 Strada Circle, Mansfield, Texas, stated there is history on this property and the septic has served it historically.

There being no others to speak for or against RP-19-0051, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

11. Consider approving RP-19-0051

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve a request by Michael Evans, GSW Land Surveyors, for a Replat of a portion of Lots 3 and 4 and all of Lot 5, Block 14, West End, to create Lot 5R, Block 14, West End, 4.478 acres (Property ID 176761 and 176763) – Owner: CHRISTOPHER L GLEASON (RP-19-0051) per staff comments. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

12. Continue Public Hearing on a request by Brett Hess, Hi View Real Estate, for a Replat of Lot 1, Americase Business Park, to create Lots 1A, 1B, 1C, and 1D, Americase Business Park, 10.71 acres (Property ID 273983) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: R&R AMERICASE HOLDINGS LTD (RP-19-0055)

Mayor Hill continued the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the Replat meets the Subdivision regulations and recommended approval.

Those who spoke against RP-19-0055:

Kathleen Clement, 420 Hoyt Road, Waxahachie

There being no others to speak for or against RP-19-0055, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

13. Consider approving RP-19-0055

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve a request by Brett Hess, Hi View Real Estate, for a Replat of Lot 1, Americase Business Park, to create Lots 1A, 1B, 1C, and 1D, Americase Business Park, 10.71 acres (Property ID 273983) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: R&R AMERICASE HOLDINGS LTD (RP-19-0055) per staff comments. Councilmember Kevin Strength seconded, All Ayes.

14. Continue Public Hearing on a request by Brett Hess, Hi View Real Estate, for a Replat of Lot 4, Americase Business Park, to create Lots 4A and 4B, Americase Business Park, 6.06 acres (Property ID 273986) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: R&R AMERICASE HOLDINGS LTD (RP-19-0056)

Mayor Hill continued the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the Replat meets the Subdivision regulations and recommended approval per staff comments.

There being no others to speak for or against RP-19-0056, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

15. Consider approving RP-19-0056

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve a request by Brett Hess, Hi View Real Estate, for a Replat of Lot 4, Americase Business Park, to create Lots 4A and 4B, Americase Business Park, 6.06 acres (Property ID 273986) in the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction – Owner: R&R AMERICASE HOLDINGS LTD (RP-19-0056) per staff comments. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

16. Public Hearing on a request by Edwin Walker, Standard ECO, for a Specific Use Permit (SUP) for Rooftop Solar Panel System use within a Single Family Residential-2 zoning district, located at 1565 Reserve Road (Property ID 265966) – Owner: LOUIE C RODRIGUEZ (SU-19-0060)

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the rooftop solar panel system was installed without a permit. He stated staff will enact additional consequences on the applicant.

There being no others to speak for or against SU-19-0060, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

17. Consider proposed Ordinance approving SU-19-0060

ORDINANCE NO. 3119

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT (SUP) TO PERMIT A ROOFTOP SOLAR PANEL SYSTEM USE WITHIN A SINGLE FAMILY-2 (SF-2) ZONING DISTRICT, LOCATED AT 1565 RESERVE ROAD, BEING PROPERTY ID 265966, IN THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING LOT 13, BLOCK G IN THE COVE PHASE I SUBDIVISION, AND ORDERING THE CHANGING OF THE ZONING MAP THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID CHANGE.

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved to approve Ordinance No. 3119 as presented. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

18. Public Hearing on a request by Ben Martinez, Kosmos Solar, for a Specific Use Permit (SUP) for Rooftop Solar Panel System use within a Single Family Residential-2 zoning district, located at 129 Liberty Way (Property ID 242010) – Owner: ROBERT & JANET LESIKAR (SU-19-0065)

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks stated the request meets the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and recommended approval.

There being no others to speak for or against SU-19-0065, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

19. Consider proposed Ordinance approving SU-19-0065

ORDINANCE NO. 3120

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT (SUP) TO PERMIT A ROOFTOP SOLAR PANEL SYSTEM USE WITHIN A SINGLE FAMILY-2 (SF-2) ZONING DISTRICT, LOCATED AT 129 LIBERTY WAY, BEING PROPERTY ID 242010, IN THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING LOT 21, BLOCK M IN SETTLERS GLEN ADDITION PHASE II, AND ORDERING THE CHANGING OF THE ZONING MAP THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID CHANGE.

Action:

Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley moved to approve Ordinance No. 3120 as presented. Councilmember Kevin Strength seconded, All Ayes.

20. Consider a request by Blain Vinson, Aspen Community Development, for a Site Plan Review of The Cottages on Cantrell located East of 865 Cantrell Street (Property ID 244351) - Owner: SAP PROPERTIES LLC (SP-19-0076)

Mr. Brooks reported when the planned development was approved Council required a detailed Site Plan be reviewed and approved before the applicant can submit a Final Plat. He reviewed the applicant's proposal being 5 cottage plans each with 2 complimenting elevations for a total of 10 options in each POD. Mr. Brooks stated square footage of the cottages will range from 945 square feet to 1,766 square feet. Key features of the development include a gym, walking trail, bridge connecting to Bullard Heights Neighborhood Park and a Dog Park.

Mr. Brooks recommended approval per the following staff comments:

- Maximum of seventy-three (73) residential lots.
- Maximum of ten (10) carriage lots.
- At least sixty (60) percent of the total area must be reserved for green space.
- Applicant shall provide decomposed granite along the proposed walking trail within the development.
- No overnight guest shall stay in the carriage houses within the development. Carriage houses should only be used for community events.
- A HOA Development/Bylaws document shall be required before the commencement of any vertical construction.

Mr. Blain Vinson, applicant, Aspen Community Development, 2801 N. Highway 77, Waxahachie, stated he would appreciate Council's approval noting he is very excited to get the project started. He referenced the bridge connecting to Bullard Heights Neighborhood Park noting it will cost approximately \$75,000.00 and asked for relief of park dedication fees to build the bridge.

Action:

Councilmember Kevin Strength moved to approve a request by Blain Vinson, Aspen Community Development, for a Site Plan Review of The Cottages on Cantrell located East of 865 Cantrell

Street (Property ID 244351) - Owner: SAP PROPERTIES LLC (SP-19-0076) and waiving the park dedication fees. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded. The motion was as follows:

*Ayes: David Hill
Chuck Beatty
Kevin Strength
Melissa Olson*

Noes: Mary Lou Shipley

The motion carried.

- 21. Public Hearing on a request by Chris Acker, Southfork Capital LLC, for a Zoning Change from a Commercial zoning district to Planned Development-Single-Family Residential-3, with Detailed Site Plan, located at 500 Dunaway (Property ID 172322) - Owner: SOUTHFORK CAPITAL LLC (PD-19-0062)**

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks presented a concept plan to allow construction of 7 single family homes. The development will feature gated access to all units and the HOA will be responsible for maintaining the streets and landscaping. He noted utilities will run in the street. Mr. Brooks explained this being a different type of development the lot sizes do not meet the Zoning Ordinance. He stated they do meet the surrounding residences and recommended approval per staff comments.

There being no others to speak for or against PD-19-0062, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

- 22. Consider proposed Ordinance approving PD-19-0062**

ORDINANCE NO. 3121

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A ZONING CHANGE FROM COMMERCIAL (C) TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-SINGLE FAMILY-3 (PD-SF3), WITH CONCEPT PLAN LOCATED AT 500 DUNAWAY IN THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING 1.031 ACRES KNOWN AS A PORTION OF PROPERTY ID 172322 OF LOT 1B, BLOCK 1, OF THE BULLARD-REV SUBDIVISION, AND ORDERING THE CHANGING OF THE ZONING MAP THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID CHANGE.

Action:

Councilmember Chuck Beatty moved to approve Ordinance No. 3121 per staff comments. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

- 23. Public Hearing on a request by Chris Acker, Southfork Capital LLC, for a Replat of Lot 1B, Block 1, Bullards Addition, to create Lots 1-8, Block A, Payton's Place Addition, 1.031 acres (Property ID 172322) – Owner: SOUTHFORK CAPITAL LLC (RP-19-0063)**

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported RP-19-0063 is a corresponding plat of PD-19-0062 and recommended approval.

There being no others to speak for or against RP-19-0063, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

24. Consider approving RP-19-0063

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved to approve a request by Chris Acker, Southfork Capital LLC, for a Replat of Lot 1B, Block 1, Bullards Addition, to create Lots 1-8, Block A, Payton's Place Addition, 1.031 acres (Property ID 172322) – Owner: SOUTHFORK CAPITAL LLC (RP-19-0063) per staff comments. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

25. Public Hearing on a request by Maxwell Fisher, AICP, Masterplan, for a Zoning Change from a Future Development zoning district to Planned Development-Commercial, with Detailed Site Plan, located at 3502 N Highway 77 (Property ID 193323, 209693, and 151344) - Owner: LOCKWOOD PROPERTIES LLC (PD-19-0057)

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brooks reported the applicant is requesting approval to allow for restricted commercial use noting the site contains two developable parcels and explained one parcel has an existing building and will house a roofing company. Lot 2 has an exterior storage area and applicant proposes to add an additional business. Mr. Brooks recommended approval per staff comments.

Mr. Maxwell Fisher, applicant, AICP, Masterplan, 900 Jackson Street, Dallas, presented a power point depicting the following improvements: extensive interior and exterior cleanup, removing containers, unscreened outdoor storage, plumbing repairs, and painted exterior making it more business usable. Mr. Fisher stated Stiller Roofing is a local company that will own the property and operate out of the existing building.

There being no others to speak for or against PD-19-0057, Mayor Hill closed the Public Hearing.

26. Consider proposed Ordinance approving PD-19-0057

ORDINANCE NO. 3122

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A ZONING CHANGE FROM FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (FD) TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-COMMERCIAL (PD-C), WITH CONCEPT PLAN LOCATED AT 3502 AND 3504 NORTH HIGHWAY 77 IN THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING 1.145 ACRES KNOWN AS A PORTION OF PROPERTY ID 193323, 209693, AND 151344 OF THE HILLVIEW REV SUBDIVISION, AND ORDERING THE CHANGING OF THE ZONING MAP THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID CHANGE.

Action:

Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley moved to approve Ordinance No. 3122 as presented. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

- 27. Public Hearing on a request by Joy Ranton, Daniel's Den, for a Zoning Change from a Planned Development-28-General Retail zoning district to Planned Development-General Retail, with Concept Plan, to allow a Household Care Facility located at 512 N College Street (Property ID 170716) - Owner: ALFRED A & RHONNIE D TOMPKINS (PD-19-0066)**

Mayor Hill opened the Public Hearing and announced the applicant asked to continue PD-19-0066 to the City Council meeting of July 1, 2019.

- 28. Consider proposed Ordinance approving PD-19-0066**

Action:

Councilmember Kevin Strength moved to continue a request by Joy Ranton, Daniel's Den, for a Zoning Change from a Planned Development-28-General Retail zoning district to Planned Development-General Retail, with Concept Plan, to allow a Household Care Facility located at 512 N College Street (Property ID 170716) - Owner: ALFRED A & RHONNIE D TOMPKINS (PD-19-0066) to the City Council meeting of July 1, 2019. Councilmember Melissa Olson seconded, All Ayes.

- 29. Consider proposal from Blue Cross Blue Shield to provide employee major medical insurance and plan administration for Fiscal Year 2019-20; authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield, following review by the City Attorney**

Director of Human Resources Jamie Holbert reported after review of proposals staff requested to enter into a contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield to provide employee major medical insurance and plan administration for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

City Manager Scott stated staff will converse with the city attorney pertaining to the contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield as well as item 30 being a proposed contract with Cigna for employee dental insurance.

Mayor Hill stated by getting new proposals the city is saving approximately \$768,000.00 noting he greatly appreciates staff due diligence.

Action:

Council Member Kevin Strength moved to approve a proposal from Blue Cross Blue Shield to provide employee major medical insurance and plan administration for Fiscal Year 2019-20; authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield, following review by the City Attorney. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

- 30. Consider proposal from Cigna to provide employee dental insurance and plan administration for Fiscal Year 2019-20; authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Cigna, following review by the City Attorney**

Action:

Councilmember Kevin Strength moved to approve a proposal from Cigna to provide employee dental insurance and plan administration for Fiscal Year 2019-20; authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Cigna, following review by the City Attorney. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

- 31. Consider award of bid for Spring Park parking lot project to J&K Excavation**

Director of Parks and Recreation John Smith reported bids were received and opened on June 12, 2019 and J&K Excavation was the lowest qualified bidder with a base bid of \$327,932.96 and alternative option of \$5,002.82 for concrete pavement. He reported the project will be funded through the available Park Dedication Fund Balance.

Action:

Councilmember Melissa Olson moved to award the bid for Spring Park parking lot to J&K Excavation with a base bid of \$327,932.96 and alternative option of \$5,002.82 for concrete pavement. Councilmember Chuck Beatty seconded, All Ayes.

- 32. Consider award of bid to Circle H Contractors, L.P. for the construction of the FM 664 Water Line Project**

Assistant City Manager Tommy Ludwig reported bids were received and opened on June 6, 2019. The low bidder was unable to provide relevant work experience with water line construction projects that are 18-inches in diameter or larger; therefore, not meeting the qualifications for the project. Mr. Ludwig stated the second lowest responsive bidder, Circle H Contractors, L.P., submitted a bid of \$1,172,802.50 which was \$62,377.50 below the project budget. He stated Circle H Contractors, L.P. has the required experience to perform the work and recommended awarding the project to Circle H Contractors, L.P. in the amount of \$1,172,802.50.

Action:

Councilmember Kevin Strength moved to award Circle H Contractors, L.P. for the construction of the FM 664 Water Line Project in the amount of \$1,172,802.50. Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley seconded, All Ayes.

- 33. Public Comments**

Ms. Betty Square Coleman, 116 Bradshaw Street, Waxahachie, asked if item k. on the Consent Agenda being the Oak Lawn Reunion community street dance on July 4, 2019 was approved. City Manager Scott stated Council charged Staff to work with the applicant on street closure. Ms. Coleman invited all to attend the event.

- 34. Comments by Mayor, City Council, City Attorney and City Manager**

Assistant City Manager Tommy Ludwig announced Ms. Macey Martinez passed her Engineering in Training exam. He thanked Councilmember Kevin Strength, past President of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), for his work on the Board.

Assistant City Manager Albert Lawrence congratulated Ms. Martinez on passing her test. He stated the work City Engineer James Gaertner and Ms. Martinez did on the Spring Park Parking depicts a huge value of them being the City Engineering Department. Mr. Lawrence stated the Lions Club State Convention was recently held in Waxahachie and the city received a letter recognizing the Convention and Visitors staff, Laurie Mosley and Monica Boyd for the hospitality and Civic Center Director April Ortiz and her staff for catering to all their needs. He stated the letter noted holding the convention in Waxahachie was their best Lions Club State convention yet.

Councilmember Chuck Beatty thanked Councilmember Kevin Strength, past President of the NCTCOG, for representing the City while on the Board.

City Manager Michael Scott thanked Council for supporting staff and thanked them for approving the Emergency Management Coordinator. He asked for continued prayers for the Jenkins family.

Mayor David Hill thanked Honorary Councilmember Emmeline Bearden for her attendance. He stated he recently attended the Global High graduation and stated Councilmember Melissa Olson's daughter graduated 4th in her class and congratulated her on her daughter's achievement. He thanked Misty Christian with Kimley Horn on getting the city the best projects.

Mayor Pro Tem Mary Lou Shipley stated she appreciates all of the work the Parks Department has done getting the Spring Park Parking project underway.

Councilmember Melissa Olson thanked Honorary Councilmember Emmeline Bearden for her attendance. She thanked city staff for all the work they put in to the city.

City Attorney Robert Brown thanked Emmeline Bearden. He stated he is following the TML responses to bring Council the best strategies dealing with what has been passed in the Senate Bills and House Bills.

Mayor Hill stated Councilmember Chuck Beatty has an award named after him called the "Chuck Beatty Courage Award" noting kids from all over Ellis County are considered. He stated the award was given out at the inaugural banquet. Mayor Hill stated Councilmember Beatty was quite the NFL football player and honored to call him a friend. He stated Councilmember Kevin Strength was president of the NCTCOG and now past president. His accomplishment was the IH35 expansion noting money is coming into Ellis County due to Kevin's presence on the board.

35. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Cartwright, City Secretary