

City Council
January 6, 2020

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, January 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers 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
Amber Villarreal, Acting 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 agenda items:

- Item 5c requested approval of event application for SAGU Half Marathon to be held February 1, 2020
- Item 5d requested approval of event application for Mardi Gras 2020 to be held February 21-22, 2020
- Item 5e setting the City Council meeting of Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

Planning Director Shon Brooks reviewed the following items:

- Voluntary annexation request from Chip G. Boyd on FM 877 just southeast of Lake Waxahachie. The land is proposed as a 110.484 acre single-family residential development. The total acreage of the requested annexation is approximately 81.454 acres. Mr. Scott noted the Service Plan will be presented with the ordinance at the February 3, 2020 meeting.
- PD-19-0147, applicant is requesting a Planned Development to construct five single-family homes on infill lots. Staff recommended approval as presented.
- SU-19-0133, applicant requested a continuance to the January 21, 2020 City Council meeting.
- SP-19-0176, applicant meets all requirements of the city's standards and agreed to 70% masonry and ornamental iron fencing for the property. Staff recommended approval as presented. Mr. Brooks also reviewed the concerns of the neighboring property owners.
- ZC-19-0156, applicant is requesting a zoning change from Commercial to Central Area which does not have a parking requirement at the site. Staff recommended approval.

- SU-19-0155, applicant is requesting approval of a Specific Use Permit to allow the use of outside storage. Mr. Brooks reviewed the case history noting the applicant's previous request was denied by the Commission. Code Enforcement has issued eight citations to the applicant due to operating without approval of a Specific Use Permit and Certificate of Occupancy. Staff's opinion is that the outside storage of aggregate product is not the highest and best use of this property and staff recommends denial. Council inquired about additional stipulations and staff explained those can be included with the approval.
- PD-19-0159, applicant is requesting to revise the existing Planned Development to construct an approximately 20,000 square foot addition to an existing 485,000 square foot movie theater. The addition includes an Arcade which requires a Specific Use Permit in this zoning district. Staff recommended approval as presented.

Mr. Scott noted the executive session items on the agenda and explained Mr. Benjie Smith, President of Oak Cliff Recycling, wanted to address council.

Mr. Smith apologized for the recent fire and explained the \$180,000 fire suppression system he installed after the last fire failed. He thanked the fire department and all first responders for their efforts to extinguish the fire. He explained the fluff pile and shredding machine was the cause of the December 18, 2019 fire and all previous fires. Mr. Smith noted he is committed to permanently removing the shredding machine and asked for council to allow his recycling business to continue operations. Mr. Smith also expressed his commitment to a joint effort with the city and other property owners to get a water line to the area.

City Council thanked Mr. Smith for his attendance.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Villarreal
Acting City Secretary