

ENNIS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015  
7:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Ennis City Commission was called to order on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chamber of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis Texas 75119.

Mayor Thomas asked Mayor Pro-tem Matthew Walker to give the invocation.

**1. INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Mayor Pro-tem Walker

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Thomas

**3. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Thomas asked the Interim City Secretary to call the roll to determine the presence of a quorum. Interim City Secretary Acy-King called the rolled with a quorum present to wit:

Russell Thomas	Mayor
Matt Walker	Mayor Pro Tem, Ward 6
Marco Hernandez	Commission Member, Ward 2
Ken Hackney	Commission Member, Ward 3
Lola Searcy	Commission Member, Ward 4
Brian Holley	Commission Member, Ward 5

The following Commission Member was absent:

Jeremie Salik	Commission Member, Ward 1
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The following Staff members were present when the meeting was called to order:

Interim City Manager	John Hatchel
Interim City Secretary	Shirley Acy-King
City Attorney	Richard Wilson
Chief of Police	John Erisman
ED Director	Marty Nelson

**1. Citizens Requests for Public Hearing**

Mayor Russell made a statement that “presentations by citizens, with or without prior notification, shall be limited to three minutes, allowing discretion in the chair to reasonably extend those limits.”

The following person(s) spoke during the Citizens’ Request for Public Hearing period.

Jim Lake and Amanda Moreno, representing Jim Lake Companies, 1350 Manufacturing St. #101, Dallas, Texas, spoke regarding the Historic Preservation Revitalizing Projects for downtown Ennis.

There were no other speakers requesting to speak before the City Commissioners.

Mayor Thomas asked the Commission if they would take Agenda Item 15 out of order to present Mrs. Ivan Goodwin with a resolution in honor of her late husband Ivan Goodwin. Mayor Thomas called for a motion. Commissioner Hackney moved to take Agenda Item 15 out of order. Motion seconded by Commissioner Searcy. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of removing Agenda Item 15 out of order by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared that Agenda Item 15 would be acted on out of order with Commissioner Salik absent.

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record.

**15. Consider a Resolution recognizing and honoring the late Mr. Ivan Goodwin by naming the walking path connecting Kiwanis Park and Jaycee Park as The Ivan Goodwin Walking Trail.**

Mayor Thomas read the resolution and presented it to Mrs. Ivan Goodwin. Afterward Mrs. Goodwin made remarks.

Mayor Thomas called for a motion to approve the item. Commissioner Hackney moved to approve the resolution naming the walking path connecting Kiwanis Park and Jaycee Park as The Ivan Goodwin Walking Trail. Commissioner Searcy seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the item was approved with Commissioner Salik absent.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Thomas read the Consent Agenda Items to be considered into the record.

**2C. Approval of the City Commission Workshop Minutes of November 16, 2015.**

- 3C. Approval of the City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2015.**
- 4C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with District Partners, LTD in an amount of \$66,723.66 to make improvements to the building and property at 101 South West Main Street.**
- 5C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with District Partners, LTD in an amount of \$115,296.94 to make improvements to the building and property at 103 South West Main Street.**
- 6C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Lake-Moreno Partners, LLC in an amount of \$69,214.64 to make improvements to the building and property at 105 West Ennis Avenue.**
- 7C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Lake-Moreno Partners, LLC in an amount of \$179,828.66 to make improvements to the building and property at 107-109 West Ennis Avenue.**
- 8C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Lake-Moreno Partners, LLC in an amount of \$138,556.00 to make improvements to the building and property at 110 West Ennis Avenue.**
- 9C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Lake-Moreno Partners, LLC in an amount of \$102,252.48 to make improvements to the building and property at 114 West Knox Street.**
- 10C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Lake-Moreno Partners, LLC in an amount of \$177,539.78 to make improvements to the building and property at 116 West Knox Street.**
- 11C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with District Partners, LTD in an amount of \$143,940.72 to make improvements to the building and property at 115 South Dallas Street.**
- 12C. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with District Partners, LTD in an**

**amount of \$210,853.28 to make improvements to the building and property at 112 West Brown Street.**

Mayor Thomas called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Hackney made a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the Consent Agenda was approved with Commissioner Salik absent.

#### **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

Mayor Thomas stated that action being contemplated by the City may have an effect on a business entity or real property in which he had an interest; therefore he would not be participating or voting on this item. Mayor Thomas stated that the Interim City Secretary had his Affidavit Providing Notice of Potential Conflict of Interest already on file and left the room.

Mayor Pro-tem Walker read the item into the record.

**13. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Calhoun Knox Partners, LLC in an amount of \$109,102.07 to make improvements to the building and property at 200 West Knox Street.**

Mayor Pro-tem Walker called for a discussion on the item. There being no discussion, Mayor Pro-tem Walker called for a motion. Commissioner Hernandez moved to approve the item. Commissioner Hackney seconded the motion. Mayor Pro-tem Walker called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (5) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand, Mayor Thomas abstained and Commissioner Salik absent. Mayor Pro-tem Walker declared the Resolution passed.

Mayor Thomas Re-enters the Chambers.

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record.

**14. Consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant, a Type B economic Development project and performance agreement with Freedom Properties, INC. in an amount of \$33,605.33 to make improvements to the building and property at 113 West Knox Street.**

Mayor Thomas called for a discussion on the item. There being no discussion, Mayor Thomas called for a motion. Commissioner Hackney moved to approve the item. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the item was approved with Commissioner Salik absent.

**[This Item was acted on at the beginning of the meeting.]**

**15. Consider a Resolution recognizing and honoring the late Mr. Ivan Goodwin by naming the walking path connecting Kiwanis Park and Jaycee Park as The Ivan Goodwin Walking Trail.**

**16. Consider a Resolution approving changes to the Main Street Board By-Laws.**

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record. Mayor Thomas called for a discussion on the item. There being no discussion, Mayor Thomas called for a motion. Commissioner Holley moved to approve the item. Mayor Pro-tem Walker seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the item was approved with Commissioner Salik absent.

**17. Consider a Resolution establishing a \$50.00 fee for a Sidewalk Café permit.**

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record. Mayor Thomas called for a discussion on the item. There being no discussion, Mayor Thomas called for a motion. Commissioner Hernandez moved to approve the item. Commissioner Holley seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the item was approved with Commissioner Salik absent.

**18. Main Street Board Appointments**

- a. As Voting Member – Angie Juenemann, 895 N. Preston St.**
- b. As Ex-Officio Member – Brooke Betik, 1902 Jamestown Dr.**

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record. Mayor Thomas called for a discussion on the Board Appointments. There being no discussion, Mayor Thomas called for a motion. Mayor Pro-tem Walker moved to approve the appointments. Commissioner Holley seconded the motion. Mayor Thomas called for all members present to vote by raising their right hand. All members present (6) voted in favor of the motion by raising their right hand. Mayor Thomas declared the appointments were approved

## **COMMISSION MEMBERS REQUESTS**

**19. Requests from City Commission Members and Round Table**

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record. The following Commission Members spoke:

Commissioner Hernandez thanked the participants for participating in the Parade and the citizens for coming out to the Christmas Parade of Lights and Block Party.

Commissioner Hackney thanked the citizens, staff and participants for the Christmas Parade of Lights and Block Party and asked for an update on the Disc Parks.

Mayor Pro-tem Walker thanked the city staff, Jim Lake and Amanda Moreno for all that they were doing toward the future improvements toward the Historic Preservation Revitalization of Downtown Ennis.

Commissioner Searcy expressed her excitement for the future improvements of the Historic Preservation Revitalization of Downtown Ennis.

Commissioner Holly thanked the citizens for coming out to the meeting, Mrs. Goodwin for all the contributions her husband made to the city of Ennis and the School District. In addition he congratulated the New Hope Production for the production they brought to the City of Ennis.

**TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS.**

**20. Ennis City Commission shall convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 Texas Government Code to consult with the Attorneys to seek advice on legal matters.**

Mayor Thomas read the item into the record. Mayor Thomas declared at 7:15 p.m. the City Commission would convene into Closed Executive Session.

Mayor Thomas declared that the City Commission had reconvened into open session at 8:20. He further stated that there was no action to be taken from the Executive Session.

**21. ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business before the Commission, Mayor Thomas declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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INTERIM CITY SECRETARY