

ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thomas called to order the Workshop Meeting of the Ennis City Commission on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 6:05 p.m. in the City Commission Chamber of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis Texas 75119. 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 Commissioner Member was absent:

Jeremie Salik	Commission Member, Ward 1
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The following Staff members were present when the workshop 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

Mayor Thomas asked Interim City Manager Hatchel to brief the Commissioners on the agenda items.

Interim City Manager Hatchel stated that there were 9 Historic Preservation Grant items on the Consent Agenda for the Commission to approve. He further stated that these items were considered for first reading on November 16 and that this was the final action. He further stated that the backup material for all 9 items were included with Agenda Item 4C.

CONSENT ITEMS

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.

Interim City Manager Hatchel recommended approval of all the Consent Agenda Items.

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 Agenda Item 13. 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.

Interim City Manager Hatchel stated that Agenda Items 13 and 14 were the last two of the Historic Preservation Grants to be approved.

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.

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 re-entered the Commission Chambers.

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.

Interim City Manager Hatchel informed the Commission that his secretary, Theresa Wheeler had done a fantastic job in putting the presentation package together for Mrs. Ivan Goodwin. He further stated that a band concert was going on at the High School and Mrs. Goodwin may arrive late to accept the Resolution honoring her late husband, Mr. Ivan Goodwin

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

Interim City Manager Hatchel asked Marty Nelson, Economic Development Director to address the issues with the changes to the Main Street Board By-Laws. Mr. Nelson informed the Commission that the Main Street Board wanted to reduce their membership from 17 to 15 members with 2 Youth Members becoming ex-officio who will have a voice but will not be able to vote. He further stated that the quorum requirement would represent the majority of members who are eligible to vote and vacancies and ex-officio members would not count in the quorum determination. Mr. Nelson stated that these changes would help the Main Street Board function more effectively.

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

Interim City Manager Hatchel informed the Commission that a local business had requested to serve food on the outside as a Sidewalk Café. He stated that when the Sidewalk Café Ordinance was approved it did not establish a permit fee; and, that the Resolution before the Commission would take care of that by setting a fee of \$50.

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.**

Interim City Manager Hatchel stated that Mayor Thomas had recommended the names of the above individuals for appointment to the Main Street Board.

Interim City Manager Hatchel recommended approval of all item under Items for Individual Action.

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.

Interim City Manager Hatchel informed the Commission that Richard Wilson, City Attorney, Jeff Moore, Attorney, Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., and Robert Hager, Attorney, Nichols, Jackson, Dillard, Hagger & Smith, L.L.P. were present to answer any questions they may have in Executive Session.

NON AGENDA ITEMS

Interim City Manager Hatchel explained the Expenditure Summary sheet each Commissioner had before them. Mayor Pro-tem Walker asked Mr. Hatchel if he would add a revenue section to the summary. Also, Mr. Hatchel discussed the volley ball court, Disc Park and the volunteer release form.

Marty Nelson, Economic Development Director presented the Commission with an update on the Economic Development Projects.

After all discussions had ceased, Mayor Thomas adjourned the Workshop.

21. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Commission, Mayor Thomas declared the workshop meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

INTERIM CITY SECRETARY