

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

September 21, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on September 21, 2015, in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Hernandez, Hackney, Walker, and Holley, City Manager Ewing, City Attorney Wilson, City Secretary Batchler, Chief Erisman, Director of Finance Welch, Economic Development Coordinator Nelson, and Captain Anthony.

Commissioners Salik and Searcy were not in attendance.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Walker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Thomas.

ROLL CALL to determine the presence of a quorum: City Secretary Batchler called the roll and determined that a quorum was present.

MINUTES

Minutes of the September 8, 2015, workshop were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Holley and seconded by Commissioner Hackney with all members in attendance voting AYE. Minutes of the September 8, 2015, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Hackney. Seconded by Commissioner Walker with all members present voting AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measures carried.

CITIZENS REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Scott Hejny thanked the commissioners for meeting with Chief Erisman and considering alternative ways to fund items that were not in the CCPD budget for FY 2015-2016. Mr Hejny urged the commissioners to separate the commission from the CCPD board and appoint a board of citizens.

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 15-9-16

AN ORDINANCE CONSIDERING ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$10,000,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF "CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2015;" AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES;

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO SAID CERTIFICATES; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

Commissioner Walker moved to Pass, Approve, and Adopt the ordinance authorizing the issuance of “City of Ennis, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation Series 2015” in the amount of \$10,000,000 on first and final reading in accordance with State Statues. Commissioner Holley seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

SECOND READING

ORDINANCE 15-09-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FY 2015-2016 ENNIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUDGET; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

REVENUE

Unrestricted Fund Balance	6,054,458.00
Restricted Fund Balance	695,150.00
Restricted Fund Balance For Future SYSCO or AIRPORT	2,000,000.00
Cash Balance	600,000.00
Anticipated Sales Tax Revenue	1,556,500.00
Interest Income	40,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	15,000.00
Total Revenue	10,961,108.00

EXPENDITURES

Debt Service	
Sales Tax Refunding Bonds Series 2008	501,450.00
Sales Tax Refunding Bonds Series 2014	225,750.00
Debt Service Total	727,200.00
Funded Commitments	
COs Series 1998 (2012 Refunding)	115,800.00
Texas Capital Fund Repayment	140,000.00
Funded Commitments Total	255,800.00
Operating and Capital Expenditures	

Restricted Fund Balance	695,150.00
Restricted Industrial Park Development	600,000.00
Restricted for Future SYSCO OR AIRPORT	2,000,000.00
Administrative Services to City	190,000.00
Lights of Ennis	30,000.00
Farmers Market	25,000.00
Downtown Façade Grants	100,000.00
Kaufman Façade Grants	50,000.00
Downtown Revitalization	50,000.00
Industrial Park Maintenance	200,000.00
Historic Preservation Grants	1,000,000.00
Economic Development Activities	50,000.00
Property Acquisition	1,000,000.00
 Operating and Capital Expenditures Total	 5,990,150.00
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 6,973,150.00
 FUND BALANCE	
Unappropriated	3,987,958.00

Commissioner Holley moved to Pass, Approve, and Adopt the EEDC FY 2015-2016 Budget on second and final reading. Commissioner Hackney seconded and all members in attendance voting AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 15-09-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, ADOPTING CERTAIN RATES AND FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016; MAINTAINING CERTAIN RATES AND FEES PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Hackney moved to approve Resolution 15-09-09 adopting certain rates and fees for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, maintaining certain rates and fees previously adopted. Commissioner Holley seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

RESOLUTION 15-09-10

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHAPTER 2256, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

Commissioner Walker moved to approve Resolution 15-09-10 adopting an investment policy in accordance with Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. Commissioner Hernandez seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

RESOLUTION 15-09-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FREESE AND NICHOLS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$814,400 FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE 2016 STREET BOND PROJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Hernandez moved to approve Resolution 15-09-11 authorizing the agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for the design and construction management services for the 2016 Street Bond Project. Commissioner Holley seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

RESOLUTION 15-09-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR ALL CITY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE AUTHORIZED DEPOSITORY BANK AND ANY OTHER INSTRUMENTS NECESSARY IN THE TRANSACTION OF THE CITY'S FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Commissioner Hernandez moved to adopt Resolution 15-09-12 designating authorized signatories for all transactions with the authorized depository bank and other instruments necessary in the transaction of the city's financial affairs. Commissioner Walker seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

RESOLUTION 15-09-13

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT WITH PROSPERITY BANK OF ENNIS, TEXAS (PROSPERITY BANCSHARES, INC.) FOR BANKING SERVICES; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Hernandez moved to adopt Resolution 15-09-13 authorizing the city manager to enter into a depository agreement with Prosperity Bank of Ennis, Texas for banking services. Commissioner Holley seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYE, 0-NOES Measure carried.

RESOLUTION 15-09-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SCHAUMBERG AND POLK, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$385,000 FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Walker moved to adopt Resolution 15-09-14 authorizing a professional services agreement with Schaumberg and Polk, Inc. for the design services for wastewater treatment plant improvements. Commissioner Holley seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

PUBLIC FACILITIES USE PERMIT

Commissioner Hackney moved to approve a Public Facilities Use Permit for New Hope Church for the dates of 9-27-15, 10-31-15, 11-29-15 & 11-30-15 and 12-1-15 through 12-6-15 for the closing of SW Main Street, between Ennis Ave. and Brown Street. Commissioner Holley seconded and the members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Holley moved to approve the appointment of Dwain Culpepper to the Museum Board. Commissioner Walker seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

Commissioner Hernandez moved to approve the appointment of Robert Sanders to the Museum Board. Commissioner Walker seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 5-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Ann. §551.074 Texas Open Meetings Act- Personnel Matters-City Secretary. Mayor Thomas adjourned into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m.

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon return from Executive Session, Mayor Thomas announced at 7:30 p.m. that the search for city secretary will continue.

CITY COMMISSION REQUEST AND ROUNDTABLE

Commissioner Hernandez thanked those in attendance for coming out to the meeting. Commissioner Walker expressed his appreciation to those that worked together to bring compromise and meet in the middle. May we continue to do that and push forward with the commission doing what is best for our city and citizens. Commissioner Holley thanked Ms. Batchler for her service to the city upon her retirement. Thanked Chief Erisman for taking the time to meet and discuss the issues. We get a lot more achieved when we meet face to face. Holley wished City Manager Ewings and his family well. Mayor Thomas thanked each everyone for taking the time to come out. Thanked Ms. Batchler. Expressed to Mr. Ewings his appreciation for being a true friend to Ennis and for all that he has done for the city. The Mayor wished the Ewings family the best.

Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

ATTEST:

Russell R. Thomas, Mayor

Interim City Secretary