

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 17, 2012

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on December 17, 2012, in the City Commission Chamber of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Salik, Frazier, Haupt, Taylor, Searcy, and Holley, City Manager Howerton, Lieutenant Anthony, and City Secretary Batchler.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Searcy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Thomas.

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

MINUTES of the December 3, 2012, workshop were approved on a motion by Commissioner Salik, seconded by Commissioner Frazier with all members present voting AYE. Minutes of the December 3, 2012 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Haupt with all members present voting AYE.

PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING CASE #12.12.02 AMENDING THE CITY OF ENNIS ZONING ORDINANCE FROM "T" (TRANSITION DISTRICT) TO "R-1" (DWELLING DISTRICT, SINGLE FAMILY) FOR APPROXIMATELY 11.831 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A. LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT # 658, ALSO KNOWN AS THE 100 AND 200 BLOCK OF SUNRIDGE ROAD, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS: The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:03 P.M. City Manager Howerton reported that the public hearing notice had been published, out of one (1) property owner notification, one (1) was returned with a "FOR" vote prior to the deadline. There were (0) "Against" votes submitted. The Ennis Planning and Zoning Commission met December 10, 2012, and the vote was unanimous by those attending to approve the request. Staff recommended approval of the Zoning Ordinance Amendment.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 12-12-02 ZONING CHANGE FOR APPROXIMATELY 11.831 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A. LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT # 658, ALSO KNOWN AS THE 100 AND 200 BLOCK OF SUNRIDGE ROAD, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, caption follows.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-12-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE SO AS TO GIVE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY A CLASSIFICATION; TO RECLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 11.831 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A. LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT # 658, ALSO KNOWN AS THE 100 AND 200 BLOCK OF SUNRIDGE ROAD, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS. FROM "T" TRANSITION DISTRICT TO "R-1" DWELLING DISTRICT, SINGLE FAMILY AND DIRECTING A CHANGE ACCORDINGLY IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY, AND PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE, A SEPARABILITY CLAUSE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Salik moved to adopt the ordinance granting the zoning change on the first of two readings, seconded by Commissioner Frazier. Taken under public comment and having none, Mayor Thomas requested the vote. Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Salik, Frazier, Haupt, Taylor, Searcy, and Holley voted AYE. The ordinance passed on the first reading.

At 7:04 P.M. the public hearing was closed on a motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Haupt with all members present voting AYE.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE NO. 12-12-01 ZONING CHANGE FOR APPROXIMATELY 2.367 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A. LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT # 658, ALSO KNOWN AS 260 SUNRIDGE ROAD, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, caption follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 12-12-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS,
AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE SO AS TO
GIVE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY A CLASSIFICATION;
TO RECLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 2.367 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A.
LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT # 658, LOCATED AT 260 SUNRIDGE ROAD,
ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM "T" TRANSITION DISTRICT TO
"R-1" DWELLING DISTRICT, SINGLE FAMILY AND DIRECTING A CHANGE
ACCORDINGLY IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY, AND
PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE, A SEPARABILITY CLAUSE, AND AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on second reading with a motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Searcy with all members present voting AYE.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS REPORT (FY 81-82 THROUGH FY 11-12) City Manager Howerton presented the Capital Improvement Programs Report. During the past thirty (30) fiscal years, the City of Ennis has made significant progress in the area of Capital Improvements. At the end of the 1980-81 fiscal year, the total fixed assets of the City amounted to \$14,566,608. At the end of the 2011-12 fiscal year, the total assets of the City had grown to more than \$123,836,150 (net of accumulated depreciation). Much of the growth of the City's fixed assets is attributable to the City's Capital Improvement Programs that were completed between 1981 and 2012. During the past thirty years, Capital Improvement Programs totaling \$91,959,882 have been completed. Principal funding sources for completed Capital Improvement Programs have included General Obligation and Certificate of Obligation Bonds (\$57,602,498), Revenue Bonds (\$20,729,069) and categorical or block grants-in-aid (\$8,072,210). In addition, \$2,816,859 of General Fund operating funds and \$2,739,246 of Utility Fund operating funds have been used for Capital Improvement Programs. Capital Improvement Programs have focused primarily on street improvements (\$33,721,989), water and sewer improvements (\$31,196,944) and other public facilities including a new hospital (\$19,919,648). In addition, \$2,615,774 has been committed for airport improvements, \$1,348,661 was spent for Library Improvements and \$3,156,866 was spent for park improvements. Capital expenditures for completed projects are listed below by benefited area:

City-Wide	\$ 46,483,327
Ward 1	\$ 13,351,630
Ward 2	\$ 6,460,099
Ward 3	\$ 6,905,606
Ward 4	\$ 5,345,955
Ward 5	\$ 13,413,265
Total	\$ 91,959,882

INTERJURISDICITONAL MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR THE ELLIS/DALLAS UNIFIED COOPERATIVE TEAM (EDUCT) City Manager Howerton explained that the City of Cedar Hill, City of DeSoto, City of Duncanville, City of Ferris, City of Glenn Heights, City of Lancaster, City of Midlothian, City of Ovilla, City of Red Oak and City of Waxahachie are participating cities in the agreement benefiting from the combined resources providing mutual aid should the need arise. The annual dues are \$1000.00. The Commission accepted the recommendation of City Staff and Commissioner Haupt moved to enter into the Interjurisdictional Mutual Aid Agreement for the Ellis/Dallas Unified Cooperative Team, seconded by Commissioner Taylor with all members present voting AYE.

OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There was no action taken.

REQUEST FROM CITY COMMISSION AND ROUNDTABLE: Commissioner Searcy reported that there are drivers using excessive speed on Crisp Pike Road and requested that the police

look into it. Commissioner Salik inquired about a sidewalk for the area near Lions Park, Hall Street and Highway 34.

With no further business, Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:10 P.M.

Russell R. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donna Batchler, City Secretary