

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP

JANUARY 7, 2013

Mayor Pro-tem Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Pro-tem Taylor, Commissioners Frazier, Haupt, Searcy, and Holley, City Manager Howerton, City Attorney Wilson, and City Secretary Batchler.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT PERIOD NOVEMBER 27, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 25, 2012: The report was routine in nature. Of interest was that the Water Treatment Plant treated approximately 101,060 million gallons of water.

PROGRAMS: City Manager Howerton reported that 2012 Street Bond Program is under budget. North Dallas Street is 65 to 75 percent complete and should be completed by the end of January.

AGENDA ITEMS: The Commission will conduct a public hearing on proposed tax abatement for JTEKT Corporation. JTEKT Corporation has applied for a 75 percent, seven (7) year abatement from property taxes with a proposed improvement of \$24,500,000 to both real property and machinery, including a pledge to create twenty-five (25) additional jobs. First reading of Ordinance 13-01-01 designating a certain area as Industrial Tax Abatement Zone No. 53 (JTEKT Corporation) within the City of Ennis, Texas, establishing the boundaries thereof and other matters relating thereto.

Commissioner Salik now present at 6:24 p.m.

Second reading of Ordinance 12-12-02 amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Ennis from "T" (Transition District) to "R-1" (Dwelling District, Single Family) for approximately 11.831 acres of the Joseph A. Lane Survey, Abstract No. 658, located in the 100 and 200 blocks of Sunridge Road, Ennis, Ellis County, Texas. P&Z Case #12.11.01

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code. Ann. (Potential Litigation-Tax Abatement Zone No. 43-Retention of Legal Counsel. City Manager Howerton stated that Tax Abatement Zone No. 43 agreement was in default in the amount of \$286,766.86 and the operating agreement had been breached in the amount of \$467,100.00. The Commission will meet in Executive Session to consider retaining a law firm to pursue collections.

There are no appointments to be considered.

The Mayor Pro-tem adjourned the workshop at 6:27 p.m.

City Secretary

