

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 9, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas met in Regular Session on May 9, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 Walnut St. Mayor Weldon Hurt was present and presiding, along with Mayor Pro-tem Shane Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Lynn Beard, and Councilmembers Blaise Regan, Brian Yates, Kyle McAlister and Travis Craver. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and City Secretary Shawna Atkinson.

Councilmember Blaise Regan delivered the invocation.

Leah Craver, Ford Bellah, and Greer Bellah, all 5th graders from Austin Elementary, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and State of Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Service Awards:
 - Don Green – 20 Years – Transportation Services
- Presentations & Recognition:
 - Vexus Gigabit City Presentation
 - Wylie ISD Destination Imagination Teams
- Proclamation: Bicycle Safety Month & Ride of Silence – accepted by E’Lisa Smentana from the Abilene Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Steamboat Mountain Cycling Club.
- Councilmembers Shane Price, Place 1, and Lynn Beard, Place 2 were given their oaths of office and presented with their certificates of election.
- City Secretary Shawna Atkinson presented Council with their annual salary checks.

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 7-20. No items were pulled for individual consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. With no speakers coming forward, the public comment period was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro-tem Price moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of items 7-20. Councilmember McAlister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard had a conflict of interest on item 11 and abstained from voting on that item. A Conflict of Interest Affidavit was filled out before the meeting and filed with the City Secretary’s office. The vote for item 11 alone was:

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None
ABSTAIN (1): Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard

7. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on April 25, 2024
8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Appointing Members to Various Boards and Commissions per the City Charter
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 105-2024]

Board	Term End Date
<i>Airport Development Board</i>	
Mark Perkins [New]	November 2024 [unexpired term]
<i>Street Maintenance Advisory & Appeals Board</i>	
Brock Isbell [New]	March 2026
Antonio Pallarez [Reappointment]	March 2026

9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action to Authorize the City Manager to Enter a Master Lease Agreement with D&M Leasing
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 106-2024]
10. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action to Authorize Leasing Three (3) Police Administration Vehicles under the Master Lease Agreement with D&M Leasing and using Buyboard Contract 652-21
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 107-2024]
11. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Approve Amendment Five to the Ground Lease with Abilene Aero for an Above Ground Fuel Farm
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 108-2024]
12. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Authorizing Contracts for Texas Courts and Windscreens that Cumulatively are Over \$50,000
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 109-2024]
13. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Amending Section 3.1.3(d) and Section 3.4 in the Governing Principles, Rules of Procedures, and Council Policies
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 110-2024]
14. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to Access Police Department and Fire Department Personnel Files
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 111-2024]
15. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the 2024 Water Conservation Plan Update and Affirming the Drought Contingency Plan Ordinance as Adopted
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 112-2024]
16. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving an Economic Development Agreement with Chowning Realty LLC for 1438 N 6th St.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 113-2024]

17. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on approving an Economic Development Agreement with Salazar Custom Homes on 766 Jeanette St.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 114-2024]
18. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on the Approval to Purchase Various Software and Services from Sigma Surveillance Inc DBA STS360 BuyBoard Contract # 654-21
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 115-2024]
19. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action on Awarding Bid# CB-2432 Piping Rock Dr. Alley Rehabilitation to Raydon, Inc.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 116-2024]
20. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action to Approve an Extended Term Street Use License with Don and Cindy Terhune located at 4002 Forrest Creek Court
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 117-2024]

REGULAR AGENDA

21. Ordinance (Final Reading): Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Amending Chapter 18, "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC," ARTICLE XIII, "SCHEDULES," SECTION 18-289.1, "ONE-WAY STREETS – CERTAIN TIMES," of the Abilene Municipal Code to Change Traffic Restrictions at Bonham Elementary
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 21-2024]

Max Johnson, Director of Public Works, presented the item. Adoption of the item would eliminate the "do not enter" signs from the intersection of Buccaneer and Potomac.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember McAlister moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Yates seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

22. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Professional Services Pre-Development Agreement with Garfield Public/Private, LLC for Capital Improvements to the City of Abilene Convention Center Located at 1100 N 6th Street **[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 118-2024]**

Robert Hanna, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would authorize a professional services pre-development agreement with Garfield Public/Private for Capital Improvements to the Abilene Convention Center.

Mayor Hurt left Council Chambers during the presentation, leaving Mayor Pro-tem Price presiding over the item.

Mayor Pro-tem Price opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Hurt returned to Council Chambers and resumed presiding.

Councilmember Regan moved to approve the item as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

23. Ordinance (Final Reading) CUP-2024-03: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on A Request From The Owner, To Apply A Conditional Use Permit To Approximately .16 Acres Zoned Residential Single Family (RS-6) To Allow For A Counseling Ministry, Located At 526 Highland Ave.
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 22-2024]

Randy Anderson, Assistant Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow for a counseling ministry at the above referenced property.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Craver moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember McAlister seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

24. Ordinance (Final Reading) CUP-2024-04: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on A Request From The Owner, To Apply A Conditional Use Permit To Approximately .19 Acres Zoned Residential Single Family (RS-6) To Allow For A Duplex, Located At 1902 Bridge Avenue
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 23-2024]

Randy Anderson, Assistant Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a conditional use permit (CUP) at the above referenced property, to allow for a duplex.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. The following spoke in opposition to CUP-2024-04:

- Angel Seca

The following spoke in favor of CUP-2024-04:

- Johnny Bevels

With no other speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Yates seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

25. Ordinance (Final Reading) TC-2024-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on A Request From The Owner, Represented By Gospel Restoration Church, To Abandon The Entire Length Of An "L" Shaped Alley Located Between Oakland Drive And Forrest Avenue, Adjacent To 2317 Forrest Avenue
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 24-2024]

Randy Anderson, Assistant Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would abandon the entire length of an "L" shape alley at the above referenced location.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro-tem Price moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:22 a.m., pursuant to the following of the Open Meetings Act, with the following issues discussed during this session, as listed on the agenda and authorized by the noted Texas Government Code Section:

- 26. A.551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
 - 1. Patricia Anderson v. City of Abilene
 - 2. Mary Lou Gonzalez v. City of Abilene, Board of Building Standards
- 26.D.551.074 (Personnel Matters)
 - 1. City Manager
- 26. F.551.087 (Business Prospect/Economic Development)
 - 1. Project Prism

Mayor Hurt left the meeting at the conclusion of Executive Session. Mayor Pro-tem Price presided.

The Executive Session ended at 10:21 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Pro-tem Price reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

REGULAR AGENDA

27. Oral Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Appointing a Mayor Pro-tem & Deputy Mayor Pro-tem
[ORAL RESOLUTION]

Mayor Pro-tem Price opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

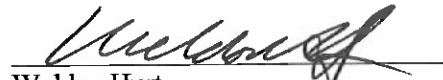
Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard moved to appoint Kyle McAlister as Mayor Pro-tem, and Travis Craver as Deputy Mayor Pro-tem. Councilmember Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Price, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Beard, and Councilmembers Regan, Yates, McAlister and Craver
NAYS (0): None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.


Shawna Atkinson
City Secretary


Weldon Hurt
Mayor

Minutes approved on: May 23, 2024

