

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 5, 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 December 5, 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 Kyle McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Travis Craver, and Councilmembers Shane Price, Lynn Beard, Blaise Regan, and Brian Yates. Councilmember Lynn Beard was absent. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and Deputy City Secretary Kaitlin Richardson.

Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Travis Craver delivered the invocation.

Mason Hayes, Natalie Michael, and Violet Cantrell, all 5th graders from Dyess Elementary, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the State of Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Service Awards:
 - Loren Adlesperger – 25 Years – Police Department
 - Bobby Woodward – 30 Years – Transportation Services
 - Zachrey Brown – 20 Years – Fire Department
 - Justin Tiemann – 20 Years – Fire Department
 - William McBride – 20 Years – Fire Department
- Recognition:
 - Veteran's Cemetery Customer Service Award

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 4-11. No items were pulled for individual consideration. Item 10 was pulled from consideration prior to the meeting.

Items pulled from consideration:

- Item 10

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. The following addressed the City Council:

- Pamela Paddock
- Patricia Ditmore

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro-tem McAlister moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of 4-9 & 11. Councilmember Yates seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

4. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on November 21, 2024
5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action Approving a Professional Services Contract with Parkhill for Engineering Services for the Old Anson Rd. Walkability Project
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 276-2024]
6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Contract with Newman Regency Group for the Replacement of Chlorine Scrubber Media at the Grimes Water Treatment Plant
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 277-2024]
7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Entering Into an Economic Development Agreement with Pierson Properties for 5233 Questa Dr, 5333 Laguna Dr, and 5334 Laguna Dr.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 278-2024]
8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Entering Into an Economic Development Agreement with Chowning Realty for 5242 N 9th St and 550 Sammons St.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 279-2024]
9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Entering Into an Economic Development Agreement with Brick and Mortar Properties for 5318 S 7th St.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 280-2024]
11. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Purchase of Implementation and Annual Subscription Support Services for the Zendesk Service System from Satrde Using the Texas DIR-CPO-5337 Contract
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 282-2024]

PULLED FROM CONSIDERATION

10. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Approve and Adopt the Title VI Plan and Community Participation Plan for Abilene Regional Airport
[NOT CONSIDERED]

REGULAR AGENDA

12. Ordinance (Final Reading) OAM-2024-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a Request from the City of Abilene to Amend the Land Development Code to Adopt a New Airport Zoning Ordinance (AZO)
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 61-2024]

Don Green, Director of Transportation, presented the item. Adoption of the item would repeal and replace the existing Airport Zoning regulations and implement the development-related recommendations of the JLUS report.

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. The following spoke in support of the item:

- Randy Williams

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

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

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

13. Ordinance (Final Reading) CUP-2024-10: 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 0.32 Acres Zoned General Retail (GR) to Allow for a Freight Container, Located at 1350 Grape Street
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 62-2024]

Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would apply a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) at the above referenced location to allow freight containers.

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. The following spoke in support of the item:

- Bruce Reed

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

Mayor Pro-tem McAlister moved to approve the item as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

14. Ordinance (Final Reading) Z-2024-31: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Change the Zoning of Approximately 0.44 Acres from Heavy Commercial (HC) to Office (O), Located at 1234, 1232, 1226 & 1218 N Treadaway Blvd.
[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 63-2024]

Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would change the zoning of the above referenced property from Heavy Commercial (HC) to Office (O).

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. The following spoke in support of the item:

- Jessica Jacob

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

Councilmember Price moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

15. Ordinance (Final Reading) Z-2024-31: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, Amend the Terms and Conditions of Planned Development District (PDD-181) Specifically to Add Approximately 5.9 Acres of Land Zoned Agricultural Open (AO) to be Added to Lot One to Allow Heavy Industrial Uses and Light Industrial Uses as Specified in the PDD, Located At 617 F.M. 2404

[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 64-2024]

Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve the addition of 5.9 acres of land zoned Agricultural Open Space (AO) to the above referenced property.

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

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

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

16. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Condemnation for Access & Drainage Easement Being 0.011 Acres Located in the Southwest Corner of Lot 19, Block B, Wychwood Plaza Addition, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, 3472 Santa Monica Drive

[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 274-2024]

Stanley Smith, City Attorney, presented the item. Adoption of the item would authorize the use of the power of eminent domain to acquire a 0.011 strip of land at the above referenced location, for a public alley and drainage easement.

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

Councilmember Price moved that the City Council of the City of Abilene authorize the use of the power of eminent domain to acquire a 0.011 acre strip of land out of the Southwest corner of Lot 19, Block B, Wychwood Plaza Addition, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, also known as 3472 Santa Monica Drive, for a public alley and drainage easement. Councilmember Yates seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:33 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:

- 17.A.551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
 - 1. Regional Water & City of Clyde
- 17.C.551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations)
 - 1. Storybook Garden 2
- 17.D.551.074 (Personnel Matters)
 - 1. City Manager
 - 2. City Boards & Commissions (re)Appointments

The Executive Session ended at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

18. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Appointing Members to Various Boards and Commissions per the City Charter
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 274-2024]

Adoption of the item would approve the (re)appointments of the following board and commission members, per the city Charter:

Board	Term End Date
<i>Abilene-Taylor County Public Health Advisory Board</i>	
Paige LeMasters [Reappointment]	November 2026

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

Councilmember Price moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

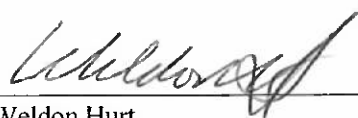
ABSENT (1): Councilmember Beard

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.



Kaitlin Richardson
Deputy City Secretary



Weldon Hurt
Mayor

Minutes approved on: December 19, 2024