

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 23, 2025 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 January 23, 2025, 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. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and Deputy City Secretary Kaitlin Richardson.

Councilmember Blaise Regan delivered the invocation.

Paizleigh Ussery, 4th grader, Gabryellah Ussery, 5th grader, both from Purcell Elementary, and Gunner Ussery, 6th grader from Mann Middle School, 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:
 - Scott Douglas – Fire Department – 25 Years
 - Jeff Triano – Fire Department – 25 Years
 - Kevin Johnson – Fire Department – 25 Years
 - Bryan Proctor – Fire Department – 25 Years
- Proclamation:
 - National Mentoring Month – accepted by Big Brothers Big Sisters Abilene

PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 4-13. Item 9 was pulled for individual consideration.

Item pulled for individual consideration:

- Item 9 – Councilmember Regan

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

- Bambi Pugh
- Eddie Pugh
- Michael Suttle
- Dr. Glen Hall
- Kevin Phillips
- Abigail McCullan

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Yates moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of 4-8 & 10-13. Councilmember Beard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

Mayor Hurt had a conflict of interest on item 10 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 10 alone was:

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

NAYS (0): None

ABSTAIN (1): Mayor Hurt

4. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on January 9, 2025
5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of 95-Gallon Poly Refuse Containers from Toter, LLC
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025]
6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of 300-Gallon Poly Refuse Containers from Tank Holding Corp/Snyder Industries
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 07-2025]
7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Contract with Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, Inc. for the Possum Kingdom Raw Water Roughing Facility Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permit
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 08-2025]
8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Entering Into an Economic Development Agreement with HSHN LLC for 1858 Sycamore St.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 09-2025]
10. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2025-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Apply a Conditional Use Permit to Approximately 91.21 Acres to Allow a 150' Tall Monopole Tower Within Agriculture Open (AO), Located at 1602 Loop 322
11. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2025-02: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Apply a Conditional Use Permit to Approximately 0.57 Acres to Allow a Drive-Thru Lane, Located At 3210 Antilley Road
12. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2025-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 2.00 Acres from General Retail (GR) to General Commercial (GC) Zoning, Located On The 6600 Block Of Buffalo Gap Road

13. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2025-02: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 0.48 Acres from Central Business (CB) to A Planned Development District (PDD-192), Located At 1066 S. 2nd Street

ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving a Resolution of Support for OPG Cypress Partners LLC Supporting their Proposed Project on 301 Cypress St.
[DENIED]

Having pulled the item, Councilmember Regan asked to hear the presentation on the item first. He had questions on the qualifications for the residents and the timeline of the project.

Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning and Zoning, presented the item. Adoption of the item would support OPG Cypress Partners LLC., for a 60 unit apartment project located at 301 Cypress street.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. The following spoke in opposition to the item:

- Rebecca Bridges
- Sara Cater
- Derrick Cater

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

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

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

NAYS (1): Councilmember Yates

REGULAR AGENDA

14. Resolution: Receive a Report, Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving Collateral Assignment of Lancium, LLC and Abilene DC 1, LLC Tax Abatement Agreements to JP Morgan Chase Bank
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 12-2025]

Robert Hanna, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve collateral assignments of the above referenced businesses' tax abatement agreements to JP Morgan Chase Bank.

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

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

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem McAlister, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Craver, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Regan, and Yates

NAYS (0): None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:28 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:

15.A.551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)

13. Municipal Land-Use Regulations of Faith-Based, Religious Institutions

The Executive Session ended at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.


Shawna Atkinson
City Secretary


Weldon Hurt
Mayor

Minutes approved on: 2/13/2025

