

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 10, 2022
Temple Senior Center
5:30PM

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM by Mayor Michael Johnson

Council Members Present: Richard Bracknell, Hiley Miller, Casey Russom, Howard Walden, Tom Wallace

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Michael Johnson

Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council meeting, as presented: There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Miller, to approve the agenda and to add the following items:

8. To postpone the AMI water meter bid opening from January 25, 2022 to March 22, 2022.

9. To allow for there to be an administrative variance approval for minor aesthetic requests, which would be signed off on by the City Engineer, City Administrator (or designee), Community Development Committee and Public Works Director.

10. For the Senior Center to add the \$100 cleaning fee as a requirement up front going forward for the City dances or whatever the Council might want to approve in lieu of that.

Approval of Minutes:

December 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting:

There was a motion to approve the December 6, 2021 minutes by Council Member Walden, he explained that he asked the City Clerk to include with the minutes an email from Howard Ray and Turnipseed Engineers, regarding Azalea Hills phase 3, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

Public Comments- N/A

Announcements:

City Administrator Bill Osborne announced that City Hall would be closed on Monday, January 17th in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Our next Committees Meeting will be on Monday, January 31st.

OLD BUSINESS

1. (Tabled from meeting of December 6, 2021): Hold a public hearing and then consider taking action on two variance requests for the 7.81-acre tract at 395 Villa Rosa Road in Land Lot 139 District 6 Parcel T0 40060054, which is zoned R-6 (Single-Family Attached and Multi-Family Residential), with said variance requests being: (a) to reduce the building's required side and rear setbacks down to 20' for a proposed new storage building, and (b) to approve a drainage easement for a proposed new storage building. Application by Westshire Townhomes, LLC

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing. Thomas Rhodes, the property manager for Huffman/Westshire Townhomes was present at the meeting to answer questions. He explained that the building ends before the easement starts and it's a 20 foot setback. He also explained that the building would be rental space that the tenants can rent, there will also be a mail room and dog wash

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area. There was no one else present to speak for or against this project. The Public Hearing was closed. There was a motion by Council Member Wallace to approve the two variance requests for the 7.81-acre tract at 395 Villa Rosa Road in Land Lot 139 District 6 Parcel T0 40060054, which is zoned R-6 (Single-Family Attached and Multi-Family Residential), with said variance requests being: (a) to reduce the building's required side and rear setbacks down to 20' for a proposed new storage building, and (b) to approve a drainage easement for a proposed new storage building, subject to review by the City Engineer, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 4-1. Council Member Russom abstained.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve a statement from the City of Temple to be transmitted to the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission concerning the proposed 5.8 million square feet of light industrial warehouse space on Five Points Road south of the Interstate 20 Exit 9 interchange near Bremen, identified as The Lake at 20 West and having the DRI (Development of Regional Impact) designation.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the statement from the City of Temple to the NW Georgia Regional Commission concerning the proposed 5.8 million square foot light industrial warehouse on Five Points Road South, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 5-0.

2. Consider approving this City's participation in the new Carroll Tomorrow 5.0 plan to bring new economic development to Carroll County, including an identification of the City of Temple government's financial commitment to this five-year countywide program.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the participation in the new Carroll Tomorrow 5.0 plan, with a commitment of \$2,500 coming from the water sewer fund and \$2,500 coming from the general fund, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

3. Consider approving an amendment to the City of Temple's January 1, 2021, three-year agreement with River Bottom Farms for Field Maintenance Services in the City Park, in order to increase the amount of said agreement by \$1,676.50 for each of the final two years of said agreement due to higher prices for fertilizers and chemicals.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the amendment to the City of Temple's January 1, 2021, three-year agreement with River Bottom Farms for Field Maintenance Services in the City Park, in order to increase the amount of said agreement by \$1,676.50 for each of the final two years of said agreement, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

4. Authorize the Mayor to sign the Independent Contractor Agreement with Willow Construction, Inc., for the design, construction, and installation of the new grit removal system in the City of Temple's Sewer Treatment Plant at an overall cost of \$270,000.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to authorize the Mayor to sign the Independent Contractor Agreement with Willow Construction for the design, construction and installation of the new grit removal system in the Sewer Treatment Plant at an overall cost of \$270,000, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

5. Authorize the expenditure of up to \$270,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from the Federal government for the design, construction, and installation of the new grit removal system in the City of Temple's Sewer Treatment Plant, with \$148,500 from the City of Temple's ARPA funding and with \$121,500 being ARPA funds approved for this project by the Carroll County Board of Commissioners.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to authorize the expenditure up to \$270,000 in American Rescue Act funds from the Federal government for the design, construction, and installation of the new grit removal system, with \$148,500 from the City's ARPA funding and with \$121,500 being ARPA funds approved for this project by the Carroll County Board of Commissioners, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

6. Staff report concerning implementation during January 2022 of the 1.50 percent cost of living increase to all current full-time City of Temple employees, in accordance with action taken by the Temple City Council on March 1, 2021.

The 1.5% cost of living increase was included in the 2022 budget. City Clerk Kristin Etheredge explained that the increase would be reflected in the first pay check of the year for all employees.

7. Approve the City of Temple's 2022 updated list of approved vendors and contractors.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the City's updated list of vendors and contractors, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

*Items 8-10 were added to the agenda after voting on amending the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

8. To postpone the AMI water meter bid opening from January 25, 2022 to March 22, 2022.

There was a motion by Council Member Miller to postpone the water meter bid opening from January 25, 2022 to March 22, 2022, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-1. Council Member Bracknell opposed.

9. To allow for there to be an administrative variance approval for minor aesthetic requests, which would be signed off on by the City Engineer, City Administrator (or designee), Community Development Committee and Public Works Director.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to allow for there to be an administrative variance approval for minor aesthetic requests, adding that the Council should be notified when the variance is made during a Council meeting, second by Council Member Russom. Vote 5-0.

10. For the Senior Center to add the \$100 cleaning fee as a requirement up front going forward for the City dances or whatever the Council might want to approve in lieu of that.

There was a motion by Council Member Miller to require the band to pay the \$100 cleaning fee up front going forward and the City will pay the employee that has cleaned for the last three dances \$300; there will be no more dances until the band pays up front, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

Executive Session, if needed- N/A

Closing Comments

Richard Bracknell- stated he would like to put into place a consent agenda

Adjournment: There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:09PM.