

City of Saginaw
Minutes of the City Council Meeting
Held on October 15, 2024
333 West McLeroy Blvd.

Present at the Meeting:

- Todd Flippo, Mayor
- Paul Felegy, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place 1
- Nicky Lawson, Place 2
- Valerie Junkersfeld, Place 3
- Brack St. Clair, Place 4
- Mary Copeland, Place 6
- Gabe Reaume, City Manager
- Lee Howell, Asst. City Manager
- Kim Quin, Finance Director
- Janice England, City Secretary
- Russell Ragsdale, Police Chief
- Scott Craver, Asst. Fire Chief
- Randy Newsom, Director of Public Works
- Jarred Coursey, Asst. Director of Public Works
- Keith Rinehart, Director of Community & Economic Development
- Melanie McManus, Director of Human Resources
- Ellen Ritchie, Library Director
- Pedro Zambrano, Communications Manager

Absent from the Meeting:

- Cindy Bighorse, Place 5
- Bryn Meredith, City Attorney
- Trenton Tidwell, P.E., City Engineer

Visitors at the Meeting:

- Matt Regan
- Ronnie Horton
- Ronnie Martinez
- C.J. Ross
- Angel Hernandez

1. Call To Order

1A. Call To Order -- Todd Flippo, Mayor

Mayor Flippo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1B. Pledges--Pledge of Allegiance to the United States; Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas--"Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one State under God, one and indivisible"

1C. Invocation--Pastor Ronnie Mills, Saginaw Family Bible Church

In the absence of Pastor Mills, Councilmember St. Clair gave the invocation.

1D. Audience Participation--Anyone wishing to speak during the discussion of an item listed on the agenda must complete an audience participation form. These forms are located by the Police Chief. After completing the form, give it to the City Secretary. She will give it to the Mayor. The Mayor will call on you when that item is discussed. You will have three (3) minutes to make your comments.

2. Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember St. Clair with a second by Councilmember Junkersfeld to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1 (Bighorse Absent)

2A. Action regarding Minutes, October 1, 2024--Janice England, City Secretary

2B. Action Regarding Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County for Old Decatur Road North Roadway Improvements. -- Lee Howell, Asst. City Manager

The City and Tarrant County previously entered into an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for financial support of up to \$300,000 for the cooperative funding of improvements to Old Decatur Road. The City requested consideration of additional funding. Precinct 4 Commissioner Ramirez agreed to provide additional assistance of \$150,000 through the Tarrant County 2006 Transportation Bond Program. This would bring the Tarrant County contribution for this ILA to a "not to exceed" total of \$450,000 on a reimbursement basis of actual eligible project costs. Approval of this item extends the term of the ILA to September 30, 2025. The City of Fort Worth has been contacted regarding participation in this project and a response is pending. Funds are included in the FY2024-2025 adopted budget (Capital Projects Fund, Account 06-1502-45). Also included in the budget for Old Decatur Road improvements are funds previously obtained by reimbursement from Tarrant County on the Knowles Phase 1 Project. Additional funding would be provided through an anticipated bond sale in 2025. Total expenditures needed on this project for FY2024-2025 are estimated at \$2,613,625.

2C. Action Regarding Dedication of Utility Easements by Separate Instrument to Juan Armendaris Survey Abstract No. 59, City of Saginaw, Tarrant County--Lee Howell, Asst. City Manager

Approval of this item dedicates utility easements to Oncor and Atmos to construct electricity and natural gas connections to supply the new Saginaw Public Library and Senior Center. Two separate instruments have been prepared by Kimley-Horn detailing legal descriptions and locations by metes and bounds.

2D. Action Regarding the Purchase of a Mower for the Drainage Department--Randy Newsom, Director of Public Works

The FY2024-2025 Drainage Department Budget includes funds in the amount of \$75,000 for the purchase of a Remote-Operated Robotic Mower. This mower will allow the Drainage Department Staff the ability to better maintain all of the floodplain areas that they mow. Some of these areas take

weeks and sometimes months before they dry out enough to mow. The actual cost of the mower from Kinloch Equipment through their BuyBoard Contract is \$70,412.50 which results in a cost savings of \$4,587.50.

2E. Action Regarding the Softball Complex Fence Repairs--Randy Newsom, Director of Public Works

The FY2024-2025 Parks Department Budget includes funds in the amount of \$54,000 for repair work to the Willow Creek Softball Complex fence. Included in the repair work is the addition of wind slats to the outfield fence. The total cost will be \$53,474 from Ware Fencing utilizing their TIPS Contract. Staff recommends using the remaining balance (\$37,928.33) of the American Rescue Plan Act Funds for partial funding of this repair work. This will result in a savings to the General Fund.

2F. Action Regarding the Purchase of a New Gymnasium Floor for the Recreation Center--Keith Rinehart, Director of Community & Economic Development

The Recreation Center is over twenty (20) years old and the gym is used seven (7) days per week. The existing gym floor needs to be replaced. The tiles are warping and the "dead spots" have made adding indoor pickle ball courts impossible. The floor's surface is not smooth. A durable floor designed for multi-purpose use from pickleball, volleyball, basketball, and rental will optimize the use and revenue of our gym while serving the needs of our residents. Funds in the amount of \$110,000 are included in the FY2024/2025 budget in the Capital Outlay/Special Request Account (01-7000-08) for this gym floor. The BuyBoard quote from GFC (Gomez Floor Coverings Inc.) is \$107,454.

2G. Action Regarding the Purchase of a Storage Building to Provide Equipment Storage for the Recreation Center--Keith Rinehart, Director of Community & Economic Development

The Recreation Center is over twenty (20) years old and we have outgrown it. Currently the Senior Center operates out of our two largest rooms. This will continue until their new Senior Center is constructed. We've lost space for equipment storage and also need to meet code compliance. This purchase was budgeted in the FY2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$10,000 (Capital Outlay/Special Request, 01-7000-08). The financial impact will be a total of \$9,632 which includes the cost of the building (Tuff Shed - \$8,362) and the cost of a pouring a 10'x16' concrete pad (in-house - \$1,000).

3. Proclamations-Presentations

3A. Employee Recognitions/Presentations--Gabe Reaume, City Manager

3B. Community Presentation--Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)-Maggie Henderson, Region II Vice President of Texas State Association of FCCLA

Ms. Maggie Henderson, a student at Boswell High School, gave a presentation. She is the Region II Vice President of Projects for the Texas State Association of FCCLA.

3C. Presentation of the 212 Program--Jarred Coursey, Assistant Director of Public Works

Asst. Director of Public Works Coursey explained the 212 Program. He compared the program to water that is hot at 211 degrees but boils at 212 degrees. He stated that the program encourages employees to go the extra degree. He announced the recipients of the first three awards: Ray Hatton

(Public Services Technician), Jeremy Matthews (Water Quality Specialist), and C.J. Ross (Water/Wastewater Crew Leader).

3D. Presentation Regarding the Remodeling of the John Ed Keeter Library--Jarred Coursey, Asst. Public Works Director

Asst. Director of Public Works Coursey gave a update and presentation on the progress of the design concept for the John Ed Keeter Building remodel. He explained that the design is approximately 50% complete. He stressed that at this point the design is conceptual.

4. Business

4A. Consideration and Action regarding City Council Meeting scheduled for November 5, 2024, Election Day--Janice England, City Secretary

City Secretary England explained that the next scheduled City Council Meeting is November 5, 2024. This is also Election Day and the Library will be a polling location. A high turnout of voters is expected since this is a Presidential Election. She stated that the purpose of this item is to give the Council the opportunity to consider the following options: hold the meeting as scheduled, move the meeting to another location, re-schedule the meeting, or cancel the meeting. There was a brief discussion.

Motion was made by Councilmember Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Felegy to move the City Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2024 to Monday, November 4, 2024. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1 (Bighorse Absent)

5. Executive Session

5A. 551.071. Texas Government Code. Consultation with Attorney. The City Council may convene in executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney on any legally posted item, when the City Council seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items: -

5B. Any Posted Item -

6. Adjournment

6A. Adjournment--Todd Flippo, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilmember St. Clair with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Felegy to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1 (Bighorse Absent)

Mayor Flippo declared the October 15, 2024 City Council Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.