

City Council Minutes
April 24, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Crestview City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor JB Whitten. Board members present: Mayor Pro Tem Andrew Rencich, Council members: Doug Capps, Cynthia Brown, Joe Blocker, and Ryan Bullard. Also present: City Manager Tim Bolduc, City Clerk Maryanne Schrader, City Attorney Jonathan Holloway, and various staff members.

2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

2.1. Elder TJ Hearndon of The Shepherd's Church

The Invocation was led by TJ Hearndon of The Shepherd's Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Open Policy Making and Legislative Session

Mayor JB Whitten announced the quorum was met.

4. Approve Agenda

Mayor JB Whitten mentioned that the Bulldog Award item was removed and replaced with a proclamation for Municipal Clerk's Week.

Mayor JB Whitten requested action.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrew Rencich and seconded by Councilmember Joe Blocker to approve the agenda, as amended.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Presentations and Reports

5.1. Proclamation of Municipal Clerks Week

Mayor JB Whitten presented a proclamation to City Clerk Maryanne Schrader and Deputy City Clerk Natasha Peacock declaring the week of April 30 - May 6, 2023 as Municipal Clerks Week in Crestview.

5.2. Employee of the Quarter

Police Chief Stephan McCosker recognized Deborah Lawson as the Public Safety Employee of the Quarter and detailed her accomplishments this quarter.

Mayor JB Whitten congratulated Ms. Lawson.

Hannah Wilburn of All In Credit Union presented Ms. Lawson with a check mentioning she appreciated her for all she does for the community.

Public Works Director Michael Criddle introduced Candace McCleod as the Employee of the Quarter and recognized her contributions. Hannah Wilburn also thanked the family for supporting the recipients.

6. Consent Agenda

Mayor JB Whitten called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Cynthia Brown and seconded by Councilmember Joe Blocker to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

6.1. Okaloosa County Veteran's Memorial Lease Agreement

6.2. Barge Sewer System Hydraulic Modeling

6.3. Authorization to Proceed with the Foreclosures of Code Compliance Liens

6.4. Multi-Agency Law Enforcement MOU Renewal Approval

6.5. Approval of the minutes of April 10, 2023

7. Public Hearings / Ordinances on Second Reading

7.1. Ordinance 1929 Repeal & Replace Chapter 32 Fair Housing to establish SHIP program

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1929, Repeal and Replace Chapter 32 Fair Housing and Establishing the SHIP program to the City Council. He detailed the requirements for the SHIP program and plan. He asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1929.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1929 by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Repealing and Replacing the Current Chapter 32 – Fair Housing With Chapter 32 - Housing, Establishing the Local Housing Assistance Trust Fund, the Local Housing Assistance Program, Provisions Regarding SHIP Program Administration and Implementation, and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee; Providing For Authority; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten asked for comment from the Council and the public. In hearing none, Mayor JB Whitten called for action.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrew Rencich and seconded by Councilmember Douglas Capps to adopt Ordinance 1929 on 2nd reading for final adoption.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

7.2. Ordinance 1922 - Richburg Lane Annexation

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1922 - Richburg Lane Annexation to the City Council. He mentioned the property is to the west of the movie theater and is currently zoned County mixed-use, adding this annexation will be compatible with surrounding zoning. He went over the proper notifications and postings that were made.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1922.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read the Ordinance by Title: An Ordinance Annexing to the City of Crestview, Florida, ± 2.45 Acres of Contiguous Lands Located in Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, and Being Described as Set Forth Herein; Providing For Authority; Providing For Land Description; Providing For Boundary; Providing For Land Use and Zoning Designation; Providing For Amendment to the Base, Land Use and Zoning Maps; Providing For A Comprehensive Plan Amendment; Providing For Filing With the Clerk of Circuit Court of Okaloosa County, the Chief Administrative Officer of Okaloosa County and the Florida Department of State; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten asked for comment from the Council and public. In hearing none, he called for action.

City Manager Tim Bolduc provided a map of the annexation on the overhead to clarify where the property is located.

Motion by Councilmember Joe Blocker and seconded by Councilmember Ryan Bullard to adopt Ordinance 1922 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

7.3. Ordinance 1923 - Richburg Lane Comp Plan Amendment

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1923, Richburg Lane Comprehensive Plan Amendment to the City Council. He mentioned that the staff has determined, per the agreement, that the property is contiguous and eligible for annexation.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1923.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read the Ordinance by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Amending Its Adopted Comprehensive Plan; Providing For Authority; Providing For Findings of Fact; Providing For Purpose; Providing For Changing the Future Land Use Designation From Okaloosa County Mixed Use to

Commercial (C) on Approximately 2.45 Acres, More or Less, In Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West; Providing For Future Land Use Map Amendment; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For An Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council and the public and in hearing none, he called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Cynthia Brown and seconded by Councilmember Ryan Bullard to adopt Ordinance 1923 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

7.4. Ordinance 1924 - Richburg Lane Rezoning

City Attorney Jon Holloway swore in Planning Administrator N. Schwendt for the quasi-judicial segments of the meeting.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1924, Richburg Lane Rezoning to the City Council and asked the City Clerk to read the ordinance. He asked that the staff report be entered into the record: On September 13, 2021, staff received a Petition for Utility Services for a property located at 2810 Richburg Lane, which is outside the city limits of Crestview. Staff has determined that, per the agreement, the property is contiguous and eligible for annexation. The subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Mixed Use. Staff proposes the Commercial Low-Intensity District (C-1) zoning designation for the property. The Planning and Development Board recommended approval on April 3, 2023, and the first reading was approved by the City Council on April 10, 2023. The property description is as follows: Property Owner: GIP Crestview LLC, 21805 W Field Pkwy Ste 150, Deer Park, IL 60010; Parcel ID: 09-3N-23-0000-0011-001C; Site Size: 2.45 acres. Current FLU: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Current Zoning: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Current Land Use: Commercial. The following table provides the surrounding land use designations, zoning districts, and existing uses. Direction: North; FLU: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Zoning: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Existing Use: Vacant. Direction: East; FLU: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Zoning: Okaloosa County Mixed Use; Existing Use: Vacant; Direction: South; FLU: Okaloosa County Commercial; Zoning: Okaloosa County General; Existing Use: Commercial Commercial; Direction: West; FLU: Okaloosa County Mixed Use and Commercial (C); Zoning: Okaloosa County Mixed Use and Commercial High-Intensity District (C-2) Commercial. The subject property is currently developed for commercial use and a development application has not been submitted. Based on the proposed land-use and zoning designations, the property use will continue as commercial. Staff reviewed the request for rezoning and finds the following:

- The proposed zoning is consistent with the proposed future land use designation.
- The uses within the requested zoning district are compatible with uses in the adjacent zoning districts.

- The requested use is not substantially more or less intense than allowable development on adjacent parcels.

A notice was sent to the property owner on March 3, 2023. Courtesy notices were mailed to property owners within 300 feet of the subject property on March 14, 2023. The property was posted on March 20, 2023. An advertisement ran in the Crestview News Bulletin on March 23 & 30, 2023.

Planning Administrator then asked the City Clerk to read the ordinance.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1924 by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Providing For the Rezoning of 2.45 Acres, More Or Less, Of Real Property, Located In Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, From the Okaloosa County Mixed Use Zoning District to the Commercial Low-Intensity District (C-1) Zoning District; Providing For Authority; Providing For the Updating of the Crestview Zoning Map; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing for an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council and from the public. In hearing none, he called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Joe Blocker and seconded by Councilmember Douglas Capps to adopt Ordinance 1924 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

7.5. Ordinance 1925 - Richburg Lane and Third Avenue Annexation

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1925 to the City Council regarding property on Third Avenue and 2828 Richburg Lane. The subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Low Density Residential & Mixed Use and Residential-1 & Mixed Use. He went over the details depicted on the map stating the subject property is currently vacant and meets the criteria of urban purposes. He added a report was also provided by the applicant detailing that the annexation meets the standard. He added courtesy mailings and postings were made.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read the ordinance.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1925 by title: An Ordinance Annexing to the City of Crestview, Florida, ± 23.28 Acres of Contiguous Lands Located In Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, And In Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West and Being Described As Set Forth Herein; Providing For Authority; Providing For Land Description; Providing For Boundary; Providing For Land Use And Zoning Designation; Providing For Amendment to the Base, Land Use and Zoning Maps; Providing For A Comprehensive Plan Amendment; Providing For Filing With the Clerk of Circuit Court of Okaloosa County, the Chief Administrative Officer of Okaloosa County and the Florida

Department of State; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council.

Councilmember R. Bullard asked about the annexation creating an enclave and whether the PDB gave a reason for not recommending approval.

City Attorney J. Holloway replied the property is an enclave, however, the property can only be reached by traveling through the city. City Manager T. Bolduc mentioned he met with the PDB and spoke on traffic concerns, as well. The PDB mentioned that the issue was not the property situated to the south, but they were concerned about the north piece. He said staff merged the two parcels into one ordinance because the two parcels were connected. They will separate the parcels in the future in case concerns arise.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public.

Stacey Harris was concerned about the safety in the neighborhood and access. The property owners are also concerned about the millage rate and that taxes would double.

Doug Harris was concerned about the traffic from the commercial businesses adding he does not want to be annexed in the city. Mayor JB Whitten said we cannot involuntarily annex property into the city.

Steve Hall, attorney representing the applicant, said he watched the Planning Board meeting and stated the criteria in the staff report was not addressed at the meeting. He added staff has laid the information out professionally in the staff report. He mentioned it is important to note that the client does not have a specific plan yet. However, he hopes to develop a multifamily development by adding the project is for developing an urbanized area. He mentioned they also provided a detailed analysis from a professional planner which provides additional details in the staff report.

Mayor JB Whitten called for action.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrew Rencich and seconded by Councilmember Cynthia Brown to adopt Ordinance 1925 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

- 7.6. Ordinance 1926 - Richburg Lane and Third Avenue Comp Plan Amendment
Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1926, Richburg Lane, and Third Avenue Comprehensive Plan Amendment to the City Council, as previously stated the property is for mixed use as in the previous ordinance. The planning analysis has been provided in the staff report.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1926.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1926 by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Amending Its Adopted Comprehensive Plan; Providing For Authority; Providing For Findings of Fact; Providing For Purpose; Providing For Changing the Future Land Use Designation From Okaloosa County Low Density Residential and Mixed Use To Mixed Use (Mu) On Approximately 23.28 Acres, More Or Less, In Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, and In Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West; Providing For Future Land Use Map Amendment; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public. In hearing none, he called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Douglas Capps and seconded by Councilmember Ryan Bullard to adopt Ordinance 1926 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

7.7. Ordinance 1927 - Richburg Lane and Third Avenue Rezoning

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1927, Richburg Lane and Third Avenue Rezoning, to the City Council mentioning the information is the same as in the last Ordinance. He asked that the staff report be entered into the record: On February 27, 2023 staff received an application to annex and to amend the comprehensive plan and zoning designations for property located on Third Avenue and at 2828 Richburg Lane. The subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Low Density Residential & Mixed Use and Residential-1 & Mixed Use, respectively. The application requests the Mixed Use (MU) zoning designation for the property. On April 3, 2023, the Planning and Development Board recommended Ordinance 1927 not be approved. The first reading was approved by the City Council on April 10, 2023. The property description is as follows: Property Owner: MH Crestview Land LLC; 17005 Emerald Coast Pkwy; Destin, FL 32541; Parcel ID: 04-3N-23-1840-0012-0080; 09-3N-23-0000-0011-001A; Site Size: 23.28 acres; Current FLU: Okaloosa County Low Density Residential & Mixed Use; Current Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1 & Mixed Use; Current Land Use: Vacant. The following table provides the surrounding land use designations, zoning districts, and existing uses.

Third Avenue Parcel.	Direction: North;	FLU: Okaloosa County Low Density Residential;	Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1;	Existing Use: Residential;
	Direction: East;	FLU: Okaloosa County Low Density Residential;	Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1;	Existing Use: Residential;
	Direction: South;	FLU: Mixed Use (MU);	Existing Use: Vacant.	Direction: West;
	FLU: Okaloosa County			

Low Density Residential; Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1; Existing Use: Residential. Richburg Parcel: Direction: North; FLU: Commercial (C) & Mixed Use (MU); Zoning: Commercial High-Intensity District (C-2) & Mixed Use (MU); Existing Use: Commercial & Vacant; Direction: East; FLU: Okaloosa County Low Density Residential & Mixed Use; Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1 & Mixed Use; Existing Use: Residential & Commercial; Direction: South; FLU: Okaloosa County Low Density Residential; Zoning: Okaloosa County Residential-1; Existing Use: Residential & Vacant; Direction: West; FLU: Okaloosa County Commercial Low Density Residential & Mixed Use; Zoning: Okaloosa County General Commercial, Residential-1 & Mixed Use Commercial; Existing Use: Residential & Vacant. The subject property is currently vacant, and a development application has not been submitted. Based on the requested land-use and zoning designations, the property could be developed for residential or low-intensity commercial use. Staff reviewed the request for rezoning and finds the following:

- The proposed zoning is consistent with the proposed future land use designation.
- The uses within the requested zoning district are compatible with uses in the adjacent zoning districts.
- The requested use is not substantially more or less intense than allowable development on adjacent parcels.

Courtesy notices were mailed to property owners within 300 feet of the subject property on March 14, 2023. The property was posted on March 20, 2023. An advertisement ran in the Crestview News Bulletin on March 23 & 30, 2023.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1927.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1927 by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Providing For the Rezoning of 23.28 Acres, More Or Less, Of Real Property, Located In Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, and In Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 23 West, From the Okaloosa County Residential-1 and Mixed Use Zoning District to the Mixed Use (Mu) Zoning District; Providing for Authority; Providing for the Updating of the Crestview Zoning Map; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing For an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council.

City Attorney J. Holloway requested the City Council disclose any ex-parte communication, if applicable. Councilmember C. Brown mentioned she has visited the site.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public. In hearing none, he called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Cynthia Brown and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Andrew Rencich to adopt Ordinance 1927 on second reading.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Ordinances on First Reading

8.1. Ordinance 1930 - Ground Mounted Solar Panels

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt presented Ordinance 1930, Ground Mounted Solar Panels, to the City Council mentioned that the PDB reviewed it again and have given a recommendation for approval.

Planning Administrator N. Schwendt asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1930.

City Clerk Maryanne Schrader read Ordinance 1930 by Title: An Ordinance of the City of Crestview, Florida, Amending Section 2.02.00 – Definitions and Section 7.01.00 – Accessory Structures, of the City of Crestview Land Development Code to Define and Provide Standards For Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems; Providing For Authority; Providing For Severability; Providing For Scrivener's Errors; Providing For Liberal Interpretation; Providing For Repeal of Conflicting Codes and Ordinances; and Providing for an Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council. Councilmember C. Brown stated she appreciates that staff worked with the Planning Development Board to put the ordinance information together.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public and in hearing none, he called for action.

Motion was made by Councilmember Douglas Capps and seconded by Councilmember Joe Blocker to approve Ordinance 1930 on 1st reading and move to second reading for final adoption.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

9. Resolutions

Mayor JB Whitten mentioned none was brought forward.

10. Action Items

10.1. Brookmeade Park Improvements Conceptual Design

City Manager T. Bolduc presented the Brookmeade Park Improvement Conceptual Design to the City Council. He said the intent is to capture some of the tourists as they travel to the beach. DAG architects have created the design, but the project is ready for the engineering and design. We are working on relocating the spray fields and will present a plan for the recreational complex afterward. This helps us demonstrate to the TDC the overall vision. The RV parking will provide bed tax. One section will cater to skateboarding and the other to the RC track. He went over some expansion ideas and partnerships opportunities on the overhead stating BMX

regional activities is an option. He displayed the parking options and accessibility component, as well as the proposed retail and food truck options. He explained we are requesting TDC money on the capital side, adding the bed tax district expansion will assist us.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council.

Councilmember J. Blocker asked about a picnic area and City Manager T. Bolduc showed the area with six picnic tables but will find out how many people the area would accommodate.

Councilmember R. Bullard stated he supports the expansion of the picnic area but voiced concern about RV parking stating he does not want it to be for long-term. In reply, City Manager T. Bolduc said the rules will preclude long term stays. He added there will be hookups and pump-out stations. He added that events may be reserved for a fee. Councilmember R. Bullard requested a fence around the playground, so children cannot run into traffic. He added he does not support the BMX option. City Manager T. Bolduc said he would return with a business plan that is marketable to Council before making a decision.

Mayor Pro Tem Rencich said we would need a model for the BMX, as we may need to expand the skatepark and suggested shifting it to the east. He added RV slides are not conducive to the trees. City Manager T. Bolduc said we will determine where to place the trees.

Mayor JB Whitten commented that the RC track is packed, so the expansion is needed. City Manager T. Bolduc stated after hearing the discussion, the BMX option will be removed.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public. In hearing none, he called for action.

Motion by Councilmember Ryan Bullard and seconded by Councilmember Cynthia Brown to approve the execution of the Brookmeade Park Improvements Conceptual Design with proposed amendments.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

11. City Clerk Report

11.1. Update for March 2023

City Clerk M. Schrader mentioned that the staff report contained the routine processes and projects but went over a couple of highlights.

12. City Manager Report

12.1. Financial Update - Finance Director

Finance Director Gina Toussaint provided a financial update for the February report and March check registers reporting period. She also announced the auditors will be presenting their report in the next month or so. City Manager T. Bolduc displayed the check register in Laserfiche on the overhead.

12.2. Planning Development Board Membership

City Manager Tim Bolduc mentioned he had provided an update to the Planning and Development Board at a special meeting regarding major projects. He also went over the Strategic Planning information and updated the process on customer-related annexations that are not contiguous. He said there is no requirement to separate them, but the PDB wanted the ordinances separated, so they can make specific comments. He added the PDB members did not have an issue with the southern portion of the property.

He explained that on June 8, 2020, the Planning Development Board was established in the LDC and PDB members were appointed for three-year terms. He went over the current terms of the members and the alternates. He explained the importance of filling the alternate seats, as there have been occasions when it was difficult to make a quorum. He added that since three of the terms for the current board members have all expired, the Council should fill the three seats for Mr. Roy, Mr. Werth, and Mr. Conner by either reappointment or a new appointment as soon as reasonable. The staff have met with Mr. Brandon Frost and Mr. Larry Medlock, and found both candidates capable and eager to serve on the Board as alternates.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council and the public. In hearing none, he called for action.

Motion was made by Councilmember Douglas Capps and seconded by Councilmember Joe Blocker to reappoint Michael Roy and Mario Werth and move Shannon Hayes from an alternate to a voting member and establish Brendan Frost and Larry Medlock as alternates.

Roll Call: Joe Blocker, Cynthia Brown, Andrew Rencich, Douglas Capps, Ryan Bullard. All ayes. Motion carried.

13. Comments from the Mayor and Council

Councilmember C. Brown asked for an update on the citywide clean up, as Panama and Lakeview could use help. City Manager T. Bolduc replied that he does not have all the statistics yet, but noted we are falling a little behind what we did last year. PS Director Michael Criddle said the dumpsters are filling quickly and will look at the streets mentioned. Councilmember C. Brown requested citizens to utilize the dumpsters at Spanish Trail Allen Park and Wildhorse through Wednesday the 26th.

In response to Councilmember C. Brown and her question on the status of the CRA bids, City Manager T. Bolduc said we did not receive a bid, but staff is working with the DOT contractor to assist us. The feedback on why no bids were received is that our budget was

lower than they were able to offer. He added he is scheduled to meet in two weeks with the contractors.

In response to Councilmember D. Capps regarding the state budget, City Manager T. Bolduc replied the legislators were in committee today, so he does not have an update.

Councilmember D. Capps asked for an update on the golf course gates, and City Manager T. Bolduc replied they are being powder-coated. He added course maintenance needs to be done. However, we are operating in the black. He added the maintenance company plan to invest in the tree cutting.

Councilmember R. Bullard mentioned he received three emails about the trash service. The waste company has failed, and he has called them regarding the complaints. City Manager T. Bolduc said the bid opening for the solid waste collection is Friday, the 28th.

Councilmember R. Bullard mentioned a gate needs to be installed at Twin Hills play park and City Manager T. Bolduc said it will be looked at. He added the Twin Hills children's park will be brought up during the budget review for an overall improvement, and that it is in the rotation.

Councilmember Joe Blocker asked for an update on the Commons. City Manager T. Bolduc replied that Planet Fitness, Marshalls, Ulta Beauty, and Five Below are ready, however, the opening is waiting for the traffic light to become operational. He added the other businesses should be open in the next two weeks.

Mayor JB Whitten mentioned the bills at the legislature stating citizens can look up bills on the website and contact the legislators on whether they do or do not support a bill. He mentioned a tree planted will be planted in memory of Joshua Kreiser, the pedestrian killed in a traffic accident, at 6 p.m. this Friday at the McMahon Environmental Center. He added the National Day of Prayer is at 6 p.m. on May 4th at Old Spanish Hill Trail Park. A Cinco de Mayo celebration will be held at the Bush House on May 6th. Also on May 6th, our Animal Services is providing microchips at the Old Spanish Trail Park.

14. Comments from the Audience

Mayor JB Whitten asked for comment from the public.

Claudius Dale came forward to request that the park near her home be cleaned up, and City Manager T. Bolduc replied he will get staff to take care of it.

Pastor Parker came forward and thanked the Council for attending Dr. Barnes funeral services.

Shannon Hayes thanked the mayor for coming out for the Catherine Dortch event and Mayor provided a proclamation. He also thanked the Council for the appointment to the Planning Development Board, as he knows the direction of the city.

Tracy Medlock, Main Street Association president, expressed her appreciation for the help

from Chance and support from Tim for the event this Saturday. She added the next event is May 13th for the Art and Wine on Main Street which includes wine tastings.

15. Adjournment

Mayor JB Whitten adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes approved this 8th day of May 2023.


JB Whitten
Mayor


Maryanne Schrader
City Clerk
Proper Notice having been duly given

