



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Zoom Meeting

Council Chambers
110 East Third Street
May 17, 2021

Councilmembers Present: Mike Hopson, Michele Blythe, Jan Schuette, Marilyn Oertle, Jessica Stickles, Debora Nelson, and Don Vanney.

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, James Trefry, Kristin Garcia, James Kelly, Tony Orr, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, and Ashleigh Scott.

Also Known to be Present: Nineteen YouTube viewers.

Mayor Barb Tolbert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call followed.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jessica Stickles moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

PROCLAMATIONS

The National EMS Week proclamation was ready by Councilmember Marilyn Oertle. The National Public Works Week proclamation was read by Councilmember Debora Nelson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jessica Stickles moved and Councilmember Jan Schuette seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that was unanimously carried:

1. Minutes of the May 3 and May 10, 2021 Council meetings
2. Accounts Payable: Approval of EFT Payments and Claims Checks #102731 through #102843 dated May 4, 2021 through May 17, 2021 for \$1,004,782.30; and Approval of Payroll EFT Payments and Checks #30081 through #30086 dated April 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021 for \$1,580,800.19
3. Change Order #2 for Fire Station 48

4. Resolution Declaring Used Information Technology Equipment as Surplus and Authorizing Their Sale
5. Change Order #4 for 204th Street Roundabout

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Low Bid Award for 173rd Street, Phase 1

Public Works Director James Kelly reviewed the low bid tabulation for the 173rd Street Phase 1 project and award of the project to the low bidder.

Councilmember Jan Schuette moved and Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles seconded the motion to award the 173rd Street Phase 1 project to Reece Construction in the amount of \$2,135,740.19, and authorized the Mayor to sign the construction contract. The motion passed unanimously.

Supplement #1 to the SCJ Alliance Contract for Island Crossing Roundabout Design

Public Works Director James Kelly reviewed the Supplement #1 to the existing contract with SCJ Alliance for the SR 530 Island Crossing Roundabout project.

Councilmember Jan Schuette moved and Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles seconded the motion to approve Supplement #1 to the SCJ Alliance contract for design services for the SR 530/Island Crossing Roundabout project, and authorized the Mayor to sign the contract supplement. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution to Amend the Cemetery Fee Schedule

Public Works Director Jim Kelly reviewed the Cemetery Board recommended changes to the Cemetery Fees and Cemetery Rules.

Councilmember Debora Nelson moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the changes to the Cemetery Rules and amendment to the City Fee Resolution, as recommended by the Cemetery Board, and authorized the Mayor to sign the Resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

Modification to the Salary Schedule for Non-Represented Employees for 2021

Administrative Services Director James Trefry reviewed the modification to the salary schedule for non-represented employees for 2021.

Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the modification to the salary schedule for non-represented employees for 2021. The motion passed 6 to 1, with Councilmember Mike Hopson voting no.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Don Vanney stated that this last weekend Arlington Main Street Cruises had a good turnout. He also wants to have a further discussion regarding the crosswalks near Arlington Hardware, and the safety of the community trying to cross the streets.

City Administrator Paul Ellis stated he would discuss the matter with the traffic engineers, and bring back for further discussion in the future.

Councilmember Mike Hopson provided information from the National League of Cities regarding affordable housing.

Councilmember Marilyn Oertle commented on crosswalk concerns, as well.

ADMINISTRATOR & STAFF REPORTS

City Administrator Paul Ellis stated that the Governor has set a date for the state to reopen after the COVID-19 pandemic, with City offices reopening July 6, 2021. The City is in the process of preparing safety precautions. More information will be coming in the next few weeks. He is also asking employees and visitors to continue wearing masks indoors.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor

