



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Zoom Meeting

110 East Third Street
November 2, 2020

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, Marc Hayes, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, Tony Orr and Ashleigh Scott.

Also Known to be Present: Mary Chesney and Thirty-Eight (38) 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

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Chesney, 18416 Noble Drive, expressed concerns with the possible annexation of the Arlington Fire Department to North County Regional Fire Authority. City Administrator Paul Ellis addressed her concerns regarding response times, position availability for current staff, and funding sources.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the October 19 and October 26, 2020 Council meetings and October 26, 2020 Audit Exit Conference Minutes.
2. Accounts Payable: Approval of EFT Payments and Claims Checks #101217 through #101308 dated October 20, 2020 through November 2, 2020 for \$2,556,105.96.
3. Resolution Establishing the City as a Public Aircraft Operator.

PUBLIC HEARINGS**Ordinance Adopting the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget**

City Administrator Paul Ellis reviewed the Ordinance adopting the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget.

The public hearing was opened at 7:09 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, the public hearing portion was closed at 7:09 p.m. Council questions were opened at 7:10 p.m. Councilmember Debora Nelson, Marilyn Oertle, Jesica Stickles and Mike Hopson had questions regarding elimination of capital facilities and the impacts, the banked capacity for 2021, how Council may later approve the 1% increase if needed, plans for mid-year in 2021 to fill vacant positions, and public art funding clarifications. With no further comments or questions, the public hearing was closed at 7:21 p.m. Council will take action on this item at the November 16, 2020 Council meeting.

Resolution Establishing the 2021 General Property Tax Levy

City Administrator Paul Ellis reviewed the Resolution establishing the 2021 General Property Tax Levy.

The public hearing was opened at 7:21 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, the public hearing portion was closed at 7:22 p.m. Council questions were opened at 7:22 p.m. With no comments or questions from Council, the public hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m. Council will take action on this item at the November 16, 2020 Council meeting.

Resolution Establishing the 2021 EMS Tax Levy

City Administrator Paul Ellis reviewed the Resolution establishing the 2021 EMS Tax Levy.

The public hearing was opened at 7:23 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, the public hearing portion was closed at 7:23 p.m. Council questions were opened at 7:23 p.m. With no comments or questions from Council, the public hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m. Council will take action on this item at the November 16, 2020 Council meeting.

Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of the Arlington Municipal Code Chapter 20.64 Relating to Floodplain Regulations and Declaring an Emergency

Community and Economic Development Director Marc Hayes requested Council approve the Ordinance amending certain sections of the Arlington Municipal Code (AMC) Chapter 20.64 relating to Floodplain Regulations and Declaring an Emergency.

The public hearing was opened at 7:24 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, the public hearing portion was closed at 7:24 p.m. Council questions were opened at 7:25 p.m. With no comments or questions from Council, the public hearing was closed at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the Ordinance amending certain sections of the Arlington Municipal Code (AMC) Chapter 20.64 relating to Floodplain Regulations and Declaring an Emergency, and authorized the Mayor to sign it, subject to final review by the City Attorney.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Approving the Regional Fire Authority Planning Document and Annexation

City Administrator Paul Ellis recommended Council adopt the proposed North County Regional Fire Authority (NCRFA) Plan Amendment and Annexation.

Councilmember Marilyn Oertle moved and Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles seconded the motion to adopt the North County Regional Fire Authority Plan Amendment and resolution of the NCRFA Board, and to approve the annexation to the NCRFA, if approved by the voters. The motion passed 6 to 1, with Councilmember Jan Schuette voting no.

Interlocal Agreement to Share Costs with North County Regional Fire Authority

City Administrator Paul Ellis requested Council approve the Interlocal Agreement to share costs with North County Regional Fire Authority.

Councilmember Marilyn Oertle moved and Councilmember Michele Blythe seconded the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with North County Regional Fire Authority, and authorized the Mayor to sign it, pending final approval by the City Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

Revisions to City Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Ethics

City Administrator Paul Ellis requested Council approve the revisions to the City Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Ethics.

Mayor Pro Tem Jesica Stickles moved and Debora Nelson seconded the motion to approve the revisions to the City Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Ethics, and authorized the Mayor to sign it, pending final approval by the City Attorney. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

None.

ADMINISTRATOR & STAFF REPORTS

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor