



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Zoom Meeting

October 4, 2021

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

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, James Trefry, Kristin Garcia, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, and Wendy Van Der Meersche.

Also Known to be Present: Six 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 Jan Schuette 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

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the September 20 and September 27, 2021 Council meetings
2. Accounts Payable:
Approval of EFT Payments, Petty Cash Checks #2005 through #2006, and Claims Checks #103777 through #103856 dated September 21, 2021 through October 4, 2021 for \$567,957.12.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire Station 48 Change Order #3

City Administrator Paul Ellis requested Council approve Change Order #3 for Fire Station 48.

Change Order #3 addresses unforeseen items that were encountered during construction, as highlighted on the Change Order Proposal log. The total of all changes in Change Order #3 is \$86,875.90. These funds will be taken from the project contingency at 10% of the construction cost.

Councilmember Marilyn Oertle moved and Councilmember Debora Nelson seconded the motion to approve Change Order #3 for Fire Station 48. The motion passed unanimously.

Department of Commerce Grant Application for Transit-Oriented Development Implementation (TODI)

Community and Economic Development Director Marc Hayes requested Council authorization for the Department of Commerce Grant Application for Transit-Oriented Development Implementation (TODI).

The Department of Commerce is offering grant funding for professional planning services related to Transit-Oriented Development Implementation (TODI). With the upcoming implementation of Community Transit's Bus Rapid Transit route (Gold Line), this makes the City eligible to apply for the TODI grant, up to \$250,000.00. Two action items are being proposed in the Scope of Work, consisting of a Subarea Plan, and a Planned Action, for 2.23 miles of Smokey Point Boulevard, beginning at our southern city limits and extending northward to the intersection with 200th St. NE. The subarea plan will address existing conditions, analysis of housing and affordability, including low income and workforce housing, long term viability of the proposed mixed-use businesses, open space needs, walkability/connectivity of the corridor, and future infrastructure demands. The Planned Action process conducts analysis of and provides an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of the entire planned action area. This provides for predictability and streamlining of permitting and development processes, because all environmental issues have been identified and addressed in advance, and do not require any additional processing under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Don Vanney seconded the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the resolution, and to sign the Department of Commerce grant application to develop a Sub-area Plan and Planned Action Ordinance, related to Transit Orientated Development Implementation on Smokey Point Boulevard. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Marilyn Oertle stated that Tom Beckwith, from Beckwith Consulting Group, spoke at the recent Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission (PARC) meeting. The City of Arlington has hired Beckwith Consulting to update the City's Parks and Recreation Master Plan. One of the first steps is to receive input from city residents. A postcard will be mailed to city residents this week with a link to take the online survey.

Councilmember Don Vanney requested an update regarding the purchase of Smokey Point Community Church property. Mr. Hayes provided an update, and stated that would be coming to Council as an agenda item at the October 11 workshop.

Councilmember Vanney also praised the Arlington Community Resource Center (ACRC) for providing rental assistance for those impacted by COVID-19.

ADMINISTRATOR & STAFF REPORTS

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tolbert spoke of Hispanic Heritage Month, and stated that Arlington's proclamation was read by English and Spanish speaking students, and is online.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor

