MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019

The City Council of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, met in a Regular Session on April 8, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

City Councilmembers present were:

Present: 7 - Mayor Barron Casteel, Councilmember Shane Hines, Councilmember Justin Meadows, Councilmember Harry Bowers, Councilmember Matthew E. Hoyt, Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Peters, and Councilmember Leah García

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Casteel in the New Braunfels City Hall Council Chambers at 6:01 p.m. Councilmember Shane Hines gave the invocation and Mayor Casteel led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Flag.

PROCLAMATIONS:

A) Safe Digging Month

Mayor Casteel proclaimed April 2019 as Safe Digging Month.

B) 50th Anniversary of Boy Scout Troop 119

Mayor Casteel recognized the 50th Anniversary of Boy Scout Troop 119.

C) Save the Monarchs Month

Mayor Casteel proclaimed April 2019 as Save the Monarchs Month.

PRESENTATIONS:

A) Presentation to recognize New Braunfels Scout Fischer Marlow for his act of service in retrieving a damaged American flag from the Main Plaza.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Stacey Dicke presented the item and recognized Fischer Marlow for his actions.

B) Presentation of the Legacy Tree, Legacy Bench, and Main Plaza Memorial Brick program through the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Stacey Dicke presented the item.

No action was taken.

C) Presentation on protection of industrial zoning.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Chris Looney presented the item.

No action was taken.

D) Update on the 2019 Bond Program.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Robert Camareno presented the item.

Bob Bray, Doug Miller, and Susie Waters spoke on the item.

No action was taken.

1. MINUTES

A) Discuss and consider approval of the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 25, 2019.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Councilmember Garcia moved to approve the item. Councilmember Bowers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

2. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS

This time is for citizens to address the City Council on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no City Council action at this time.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Walt Myers spoke about the proposed veterans' memorial.

Bernadette Meaney spoke about the LCRA poles being installed in New Braunfels.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the City Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered as part of the normal order of business.

Resolutions & Action Items

A) Approval of a $48,695 expenditure with Marathon Fitness through a Buyboard contract for the purchase of additional exercise equipment for Das Rec.

Ordinances

(In accordance with Section 3.10 of the City Charter, a descriptive caption of each ordinance shall be read on two separate days.)

B) Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance regarding the proposed rezoning of approximately 19 acres out of the J Thompson Survey 21 A-608, located at the terminus of Courtyard Drive, from "R-2" Single and Two-family District and "C-1" Local Business District to "M-1A" Light Industrial District.

C) Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending Section 126-346 (f) of the City of New Braunfels Code of Ordinances to restrict parking on a portion of Unicorn Avenue.

D) Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending Division 4 of Article VII of Chapter 126 of the Code of Ordinances regarding parking meters.

E) Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance regarding the proposed rezoning to apply a Type 2 Special Use Permit to allow professional offices, an addition to a thrift store building and associated parking in the "R-2" Single and Two-Family District, addressed at 617 North Walnut Avenue and 6, 8, 10, and 12 Cane Street.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned captions.

Councilmember Garcia moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Meadows seconded the motion which passed unanimously via roll call vote.

4. INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Councilmember Hines moved to take item 4B out of order. Mayor Pro Tem Peters seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

B) Public hearing and first reading of an ordinance regarding the proposed rezoning of Lots 2 and 3, Country Meadows Subdivision, addressed at 2254 and 2316 FM 725, from "R-1" Single Family District and "APD" Agricultural/Pre-Development District to "C-1A" Neighborhood Business District and "C-O" Commercial Office District.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Chris Looney presented the item.

Mike Smithers and Sandy Watson spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Hines moved to postpone the item indefinitely. Councilmember Bowers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

A) Public hearing and first reading of an ordinance regarding Youth Programs Standards of Care for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Geronimo Aguirre presented the item.

No one spoke during the public hearing.

Councilmember Garcia moved to approve the item. Councilmember Bowers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

C) Discuss and consider approval of a resolution in support of proposed legislation that increases the legal age from 18 to 21 to purchase, accept, possess, or consume cigarettes, e-cigarettes, or tobacco products; specifically supporting Senate Bill 21 and House Bill 749 and

requesting that state legislators support these bills by voting in favor of this proposed legislation.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Mayor Casteel presented the item.

Councilmember Meadows moved to approve the item. Councilmember Bowers seconded the motion which passed 6-1 with Councilmember Garcia opposed.

D) Discuss and consider approval of a resolution creating a Complete Count Committee to assist the U.S. Census Bureau with awareness and outreach for the 2020 Decennial Census.

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned caption.

Chris Looney presented the item.

Councilmember Garcia moved to approve the item with the creation of a committee. Staff will bring back ideas for the exact composition of the committee to the City Council at a future meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Peters seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, the City Council may convene in a closed session to discuss any of the following items; any final action or vote taken will be in public.

A) Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate in accordance with Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code
- Property for city facilities

B) Deliberate issues regarding economic development negotiations in accordance with Section 551.087, of the Texas Government Code, including but not limited to:
- Project Nautilus

Mayor Casteel read the aforementioned captions.

City Council recessed into Executive Session from 7:25 p.m. - 7:53 p.m.

No vote or action was taken.

NOTE: The City Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code).

6. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

The City Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:54 p.m.

No vote or action was taken.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Date Approved: April 22, 2019

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Barron Casteel, Mayor

Attest:

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Patrick Aten, City Secretary