



**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

**JANUARY 12, 2016**

On January 12, 2016, a regular meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 5th Floor, City Hall, 411 West 8th Street, Odessa, Texas.

Council members present: Mayor David R. Turner; Council members Dewey Bryant, District Two; Barbara Graff, District Three; Michael Gardner, District Four; and Filiberto Gonzales, District Five.

Council member absent: Council member Roger McNeil, District One.

Others present: Richard Morton, City Manager; Larry Long, City Attorney; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Michael Marrero, Deputy City Manager; Konrad Hildebrandt, Assistant City Manager; other members of City staff; and members of the news media.

A quorum being present, Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were held:

The invocation was given by Mayor Turner and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Mayor Turner presented the ECISD School Board proclamation. He presented Keep Odessa Beautiful Awards to the Downtown Odessa Lion's Club and Baldwin Electronics. The Downtown Odessa Parade of Lights awards were presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. City Council minutes, December 8, 2015;
- B. **Ordinance No. 2016-01 - Request by Apollo Perforators to rezone from Planned Development-Light Industrial (PD-LI) to Planned Development-Light Industrial-Drill Reservation (PD-LI-DR) approximately 3.61 acres in the southeast corner of Lot 10, and rezone from Planned Development-Light Industrial-Drill Reservation (PD-LI-DR) to Planned Development-Light Industrial (PD-LI) Lot 12, Block 6, Leeco Industrial, 19th Filing (northwest of the intersection of S. Faudree Rd. and Groening St.);**
- C. **Ordinance No. 2016-02 – Request by Real Property Resources, Inc., owner, for original zoning from Future Development (FD) to Planned Development-Single Family (PD-SF) on approximately 43.4 acres tract in Section 34, Block 42, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Ector County, Texas (northeast of the intersection of proposed Evans Blvd. and E. 91st St.);**
- D. Request by 87th Street Partners for original zoning from Future Development (FD) to Retail (R) on approximately 19.374 acres, original zoning from Future Development (FD) to Multi-Family-Two (MF-2) on approximately 11.388 acres, original zoning from Future Development (FD) to Planned Development-Single Family (PD-SF) on 34.503 acres, and original zoning from Future Development (FD)

- to Planned Development-Single Family-Surface Drainage (PD-SF-SD) on approximately 48.152 acres; and to rezone from Special Dwelling District-Drill Reservation (SPD-DR) to Planned Development-Single Family (PD-SF) ) on 0.382 acres, to rezone from Special Dwelling District (SPD) to Multi-Family-Two (MF-2) on 5.231 acres, and to rezone from Special Dwelling District (SPD) to Retail (R) on 5.299 acres in Sections 34 and 39, Block 42, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey, Odessa, Ector County, Texas (northeast of the intersection of E. 87th St, and Yale Ave.);
- E. Purchase and installation of picnic pavilions at Sherwood Park through Buy Board in the amount of \$121,238;
  - F. **Resolution 2016R-01 – Purchase and install four prefabricated buildings/structures for Comanche Trails East Soccerplex using Buy Board in the amount of \$152,928;**
  - G. **Resolution 2016R-02 – Donate a retired vehicle to Ector County Medical Examiner’s office;**
  - H. Bid award to purchase three types of automotive equipment in the amount of \$175,396;
  - I. Bid award for tire replacement and repair in the amount of \$80,000;
  - J. **Resolution 2016R-03 – Adopt the Family Health Project, Revision January 1, 2016 and extension of contracts with affiliated service contractors;**
  - K. **Resolution 2016R-04 – Observance of 2016 City Holidays;**
  - L. **Resolution 2016R-05 – Industrial District agreement with the owner of 19.83 acres of land located in Section 23, Block 41, T-2-S, T&) RR Co. Survey, Midland Country, Texas.**

Motion was made by Council member Bryant and seconded by Council member Gardner that Item D. be pulled from the consent agenda. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Council member Bryant and seconded by Council member Gonzales that the consent agenda items A-C and E-L be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion was made by Council member Gardner and seconded by Council member Graff that Item D. be tabled. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

## **OTHER COUNCIL ACTION**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

**Open a public hearing to consider and direction on conceptual design and budget for the University Boulevard Improvements.** Thomas Kerr, Director of Utilities/Public Works, stated that public comment was taken for the University Boulevard improvements. Direction was needed to move forward for the project. Kerry Miller, Kimley-Horn, reviewed the two options of improvements for University. The first option included to repave and widen the road. It would include continuous sidewalks from Andrews Hwy. to Grandview. Public comments were taken and the input was considered in the options. Public comments were still open for input. Limited left turn medians were included in the option and included a pedestrian crossing. A traffic signal would be at Bonham. A cul-de-sac on the Southside of Hancock and Eisenhower were proposed. Some property would be purchased for the

widening of the street and safety. There would be raised medians in certain areas of University. The cost of this option was \$12.2 million. The second option was to straighten the curb on University which would cost \$13.5 million. He reviewed the second option's improvements. A pedestrian crossing would be installed for the parks. Mr. Kerr stated that the third option was not included due to the lack of funding. The third option would cost \$35 million which included purchasing 60 homes, seven lanes and buffers with landscaping. Carl Rogers stated that Kimley-Horn was intuitive on the residents' concerns. He stated that a traffic light was needed at Bonham due to the high speed traffic. He stated that University needed to be straightened. He stated that the third option would be the best to solve the problems for the future but understood the economics. Owen Holden didn't like the raised median and that the lights should be synchronized with Dixie and Tom Green to alleviate the traffic problems. Luis Serrano was concerned of taking his yard and the street would be closer to his bedrooms. He asked if the homes on the south side of the street could be purchased. Since 1990, there have been three incidents with cars coming into his property. He asked how close the road to the house was too dangerous. The third option was a good solution for many years to come. Michael Buchanan was raised in the University area. He asked to reassess the medium on Tom Green and the cul-de-sacs on Tom Green and Hancock. The cul-de-sacs would create more traffic issues on Andrews, Dixie and 23<sup>rd</sup> St. He suggested a raised R-O-W on Redbud to help control with speed. The intersection of Dixie and University should be reassessed. Danita Maldonado was concerned with the raised median which would cause her to drive around to get to her home. Susan Rogers stated that 12 years ago there were improvements on University. The south side homes were affected with the street moved towards the south side. There was no room left on their side.

Scott Ladwis had concerns on the 1200 block of 22<sup>nd</sup> St. There was high traffic area at San Jacinto Park and the solar sign was not adequate for the high speed traffic. He requested speed bumps be placed in that area. The drainage at the intersection of 22<sup>nd</sup> St. and West County Road backs up the intersection. Mr. Morton will contact him regarding his concerns.

No one else came forward and the public hearing was closed. Council member Graff stated that the homes were close to the road and asked if there were going to be any type of guard to keep cars from going into the property. Mr. Miller stated that they were working with City staff to look for fencing materials that was stout and enhance the look of the property. The Council thanked the citizens for their comments.

Motion was made by Council member Gardner and seconded by Council member Graff to straighten the curb for University. The motion was approved by a 3-1 vote with Council member Bryant casting the nay vote.

## RESOLUTION

**Resolution No. 2016R-06 – Economic Development contract with FMC Technologies in the amount of \$381,992 (551.087).** Scott Jones, Director of Economic Development, stated that FMC Technologies requested an ODC grant. The area was on 20 acres and requested annexation. It was a \$13.5 million capital investment that would consolidate three companies into one company. It would create ten jobs in a few years. The ODC approved the grant for \$381,992. The land was in Midland County. Council member Graff stated that it didn't help the other taxing entities since it was located in Midland County. Mr. Jones stated that issue was taken under consideration by the Compliance Committee and the ODC board. Mr. Morton stated that the City spans into Midland County. Council member Bryant called for the question.

Motion was made by Council member Bryant and seconded by Council member Gonzales to approve the resolution. The motion was approved by a 3-1 vote with Council member Graff casting the nay vote.

**Resolution No. 2016R-07 – Professional services agreement with Carollo Engineering, Inc. for performing a Water Treatment Plant evaluation and condition project.** Mr. Kerr requested a professional services agreement for an evaluation of the Water Treatment Plant to assess conditions of the plant for \$400,000. Council member Graff stated that this was a proactive action.

Motion was made by Council member Bryant and seconded by Council member Gonzales to approve the resolution. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

**Appointment of Boards: Community Development Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and Cable Franchise Committee; Appointment of Officers: Zoning Board of Adjustment and Ector County Appraisal District. (551.074).** No action.

**Citizen's comments on non-agenda items.** No comments.

There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC  
City Secretary

David R. Turner  
Mayor