

Brenham City Council Minutes

A regular meeting of the Brenham City Council was held on April 19, 2018 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Brenham City Hall, City Council Chambers, at 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Members present:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Andrew Ebel
Councilmember Susan Cantey
Councilmember Danny Goss
Councilmember Keith Herring

Members absent:

Councilmember Charlie Pyle
Councilmember Weldon Williams, Jr.

Others present:

City Manager James Fisher, City Attorney Cary Bovey, City Secretary Jeana Bellinger, Deputy City Secretary Kacey Weiss, Comptroller Stacy Hardy, Director of Community Services Wende Ragonis, Fire Chief Ricky Boeker, Interim Police Chief Rusty Pancoast, Public Works Director Dane Rau, Assistant City Manager of Public Utilities Lowell Ogle, Debbie Gaffey, City Engineer Lori Lakatos, Kevin Boggus, Dant Lange and Kelvin Raven

Citizens present:

Bill Roberts and Page Michel

Media Present:

Arthur Hahn, Brenham Banner Press; and Mark Whitehead, KWHI

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Invocation and Pledges to the US and Texas Flags – Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.**
- 3. Proclamation**
 - **Opioid Awareness and Health Day**

4. Citizens Comments

There were no citizen comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Statutory Consent Agenda

5-a. Minutes from the April 5, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting

5-b. Ordinance No. O-18-005 on Its Second Reading Amending Appendix A – “Zoning” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Brenham to Amend Part II, Division 2, Section 6, B-4 Neighborhood Business District, (Section 6.02), Permitted Uses (Non-Residential), to Add Fitness Facilities (Personal and Small Group Training Only) as a Permitted Use in the B-4 Neighborhood Business District (Case No. P-18-003)

5-c. Ordinance No. O-18-006 on Its Second Reading for the Creation of Reinvestment Zone Number 42 Requested by D Bar B Sausage & Meats, LLC for Commercial Tax Phase-In Incentive on a Certain 3.0 Acre Tract of Land Located at 1909 Longwood Dr., Brenham, Texas, Being Described as Lot 2, of the Southwest Industrial Park, Section II, Reserve “B” Partition in the City of Brenham, Phillip Coe Survey, A-31, Washington County, Texas, with Boundaries Further Described in Exhibit “A” of the Ordinance Creating Reinvestment Zone 42, and Designating This Property as Qualifying for Tax Phase-In

A motion was made by Councilmember Herring and seconded by Councilmember Cantey to approve the Statutory Consent Agenda Items 5-a., 5-b. and 5-c. as presented.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Susan Cantey	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Yes
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Charlie Pyle	Absent
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Absent

WORK SESSION

6. Discussion and Update on a Proposed Residential Treatment Facility to Be Located in Brenham

City Manager James Fisher presented this item. Fisher stated that the City has been asked to consider approving a Resolution regarding the proposed Bluebonnet Haven Residential Facility. Fisher explained that Brenham Independent School District (BISD) is considering a Resolution at their Board meeting tonight regarding the facility and the significant impact it will have on the school system. Fisher advised that the City would adopt a Resolution in support of BISD's passage of their Resolution. Fisher noted that the Resolution would be presented at the Council meeting on May 3rd.

REGULAR SESSION

7. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Resolution No. R-18-005 of the City Council of the City of Brenham, Texas, Adopting a Commercial Tax Phase-In Agreement with D Bar B Sausage & Meats, LLC

Page Michel, President of the Brenham Economic Development Foundation, presented this item. Michel explained that the EDF has been working with D Bar B Sausage & Meats, LLC (Kountry Boys Sausage) over the past year in a site selection process to consolidate operations with three locations in contention. Michel stated the Tax Phase-In incentive led to the decision to construct a new facility adjacent to its existing building in the Southwest Industrial Park. Michel advised that the use of the Tax Phase-In incentive will help Kountry Boys invest in the construction materials and necessary equipment and help offset the initial costs of an expansion here. Michel noted that this project will create 10+ jobs and provide a positive economic impact to the local Brenham economy.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herring and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ebel to approve Resolution No. R-18-005 of the City Council of the City of Brenham, Texas, Adopting a Commercial Tax Phase-In Agreement with D Bar B Sausage & Meats, LLC.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Susan Cantey	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Yes
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Charlie Pyle	Absent
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Absent

8. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Submitting a Letter of Interest to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Aviation Division for Funding from the TxDOT Aviation Capital Improvement Program and Authorize the Mayor or City Manager to Execute Any Necessary Documentation

City Engineer Lori Lakatos presented this item. Lakatos explained that Staff has identified several airport improvement projects that would be beneficial to the airport. Lakatos stated the Airport Advisory Board made a recommendation, based on staff recommendation, at their March 20, 2018 on when each project should be funded. Lakatos advised that based on the recommendation of the Airport Advisory Board and discussions with Staff and the Engineer, it is recommended that the City submit a Letter of Interest to TxDOT Aviation for the Airport Master Plan and the Runway Bump Repair projects. Lakatos noted the Airport Master Plan is to develop the long-term goals to meet future aviation demands. Lakatos stated this process would help determine what type of airport development is needed and how to grow the airport appropriately to meet the demands. Lakatos explained that the Runway Bump Repair is a safety concern for larger planes. Lakatos advised that this is an area of the runway that had been repaired before, but the problem has returned. Lakatos noted that the new proposed repair should be a more permanent fix to the situation.

Lakatos explained that in the past, the City has utilized Non-Primary Entitlement (NPE) funds from the FAA and TxDOT Aviation’s Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) fund. Lakatos stated the funds are provided at a 90/10 cost share. Lakatos advised that for the Airport Master Plan the City’s match would be \$225,000 and the Runway Bump Repair would be approximately \$65,000.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cantey and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ebel to approve submitting a Letter of Interest to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Aviation Division for Funding from the TxDOT Aviation Capital Improvement Program and authorize the Mayor or City Manager to execute any necessary documentation.

Mayor Tate called for a vote. The motion passed with Council voting as follows:

Mayor Milton Y. Tate, Jr.	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Andrew Ebel	Yes
Councilmember Susan Cantey	Yes
Councilmember Danny Goss	Yes
Councilmember Keith Herring	Yes
Councilmember Charlie Pyle	Absent
Councilmember Weldon Williams	Absent

9. Administrative/Elected Officials Report

City Engineer Lori Lakatos reported on the following:

- Received update from FEMA and can move forward on the lake intake structure project

Public Works Director Dane Rau reported on the following:

- The expected completion date for the Highway 36 Bypass project is the end of June

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 1:27 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. Section 551.074 – Texas Government Code – Personnel Matters – Evaluation of the City Manager

Executive Session adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

RE-OPEN REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was adjourned.

Milton Y. Tate, Jr.

Mayor

Jeana Bellinger, TRMC, CMC

City Secretary



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