

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING
Monday, July 12, 2021
WORKSHOP 5:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike McQuiston, Council members, Eddie Allen, Ben Bennington, Darlene Hilton, Melinda Reeves, Will Carpenter and Jake Hayes.

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Brett Shannon, IT Director J.B. McKenzie, Fire Chief Nate Mara, Assistant Fire Chief Deroy Bennett, EDC Executive Director Kevin Holzbog, Development Review Coordinator Cheryl Fuss, Deputy City Secretary Asucena Garcia, City Secretary Diane Cockrell, City Attorney Patricia Adams and Kristen Tribe representing the Wise County Messenger. Connected via videoconferencing: City Engineer Earl Smith, Public Works/Airport Director Greg Hall, and Planning Director Dedra Ragland.

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Anyone wishing to speak on a posted agenda item must complete a speaker card with his/her name and address and must identify the agenda item number for which he/she would like to speak. A card must be submitted to Diane Cockrell, City Secretary, so that the speaker may be recognized by the Chair at the appropriate time. Speakers will each be allowed a total of three (3) minute time period to provide comments regarding the posted agenda item for which the request to speak was submitted and may speak during this item or during the Commission's consideration of individual items in accordance with City Council Rules of Procedure. The three (3) minute time period will be extended to six (6) minutes if a translator is required for a non-English speaker to communicate his/her comments regarding the posted agenda item for which the request to speak was filed.

Mayor McQuiston called the workshop to order at 5:34 p.m.

OBSERVE A PRESENTATION BY RANDALL SCOTT, ARCHITECT REGARDING MUNICIPAL FACILITIES.

Randall Scott presented to council the construction cost of a new police department and municipal complex. Single and two story options were presented. A two story police station would be 16,000 square feet with an estimated cost between 12.4 to 14 million. This includes enough space for expansion for the next fifteen years. A two story municipal complex of 15,000

square feet would have an estimated cost of 11.7 to 13.3 million. Mr. Scott would like more input from council regarding the location, single or two story preference and the amount of designated space for future growth.

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McQuiston called the regular meeting to order at 6:24 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor McQuiston declared a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McQuiston led the pledge.

PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT:

1. **PLANNING CONSENT AGENDA** – ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS LISTED ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE RECOMMENDED IN ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA. **THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMEND APPROVAL, 5-0.**
 - A. CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER TAKING ACTION ON A REQUEST TO PRELIMINARY PLAT LOT 1, BLOCK 1, DECATUR ISD SCHOOL ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF DECATUR, WISE COUNTY, TEXAS BEING AN APPROXIMATE 44.6-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE D. MOSES SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 537, WISE COUNTY, TEXAS, AND MORE COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS 1200 EAGLE DR., DECATUR, TEXAS. A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY IS FOUND ON THE PLAT EXHIBIT LOCATED IN THE STAFF REPORT. **(APPLICATION PP2021-03—MR. JAMES STEVENS, ON BEHALF OF DECATUR ISD)**
 - B. CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER TAKING ACTION ON A REQUEST TO FINAL PLAT LOT 1, BLOCK 1, DECATUR ISD SCHOOL ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF DECATUR, WISE COUNTY, TEXAS BEING AN APPROXIMATE 44.6-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE D. MOSES SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 537, WISE COUNTY, TEXAS, AND MORE COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS 1200 EAGLE DR., DECATUR, TEXAS. A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY IS FOUND ON THE PLAT EXHIBIT LOCATED IN THE STAFF REPORT. **(APPLICATION FP2021-03—MR. JAMES STEVENS, ON BEHALF OF DECATUR ISD)**
 - C. CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER TAKING ACTION ON A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE FROM CHAPTER 1, SECTION 106, "SIDEWALKS," OF THE CITY OF DECATUR'S DESIGN STANDARDS ON APPROXIMATELY 193 LINEAR FEET OF PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG EAST WALKER STREET, ADJACENT TO THE SOUTHWEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 6, BLOCK 3, HELM ACRES, AND MORE COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS 405 E. WALKER ST., DECATUR, TEXAS. A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS FOUND ON THE PLAT EXHIBIT LOCATED IN THE STAFF REPORT. **(APPLICATION V2021-10—MR. JAKE HAYES)**

Council member Allen moved to remove item C from the Planning consent agenda. Council member Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Council member Reeves moved to approve items A and B as presented. Council member Hayes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Council member Hayes filed an affidavit with City Secretary Cockrell and left the council chambers.

Council member Hilton moved to approve item C as presented. Council member Bennington seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-1 with Council member Hayes abstaining.

Council member Hayes returned to the council chambers.

END PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT

REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD JUNE 28, 2021

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BILLS AND INVOICES FOR JUNE 2021

Council member Hayes moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council member Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. CONSIDER TAKING ACTION ON AN EDC PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH BRANDED FILM & MEDIA, LLC. FOR QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES OF AT LEAST \$30,000.

EDC Executive Director Holzbog stated this is the first project with the Founders Fund. Branded Film & Media will create five new jobs in Decatur. The average salary for each job is forty five thousand dollars yearly.

Council member Hayes moved to approve the EDC performance agreement as presented. Council member Reeves seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Convened into Executive Session at 6:42 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, et seq., City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:

§551.072: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

Reconvened into Regular Session at 7:26 p.m.

3. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, IF ANY, FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.
No action taken.

4. COUNCIL TO HEAR PUBLIC INPUT (please complete a Speaker Registration Form before speaking) each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes, the Open Meeting Act does not allow for discussion in response to the comments, comments should be directed to the Council as a whole rather than to individual members, and no action will be taken by the Council.

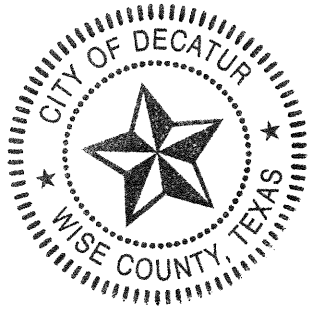
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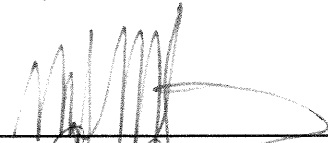
5. COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

No request at this time.

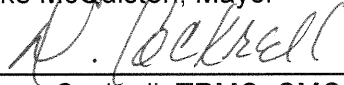
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor McQuiston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.





Mike McQuiston, Mayor



Diane Cockrell, TRMC, CMC, City Secretary