



CITY OF ROWLETT CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Our Vision: A well-planned lakeside community of quality neighborhoods, distinctive amenities, diverse employment, and cultural charm. Rowlett: THE place to live, work and play.

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

5:30 P.M.

Municipal Building

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Grubisich, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill, Councilmember Margolis, Councilmember Laning, Councilmember Bell and Councilmember Brown

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Grubisich called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (5:30 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate.

- 2A. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and §551.087 (Economic Development) to seek legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the Council seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations, regarding the development agreements with Sapphire Bay Land Development, LLC. (30 minutes)

In Executive Session at 5:31 p.m. Out at 5:56 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION (6:00 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate.

City Council may receive public input on the following items:

- 3A. Discuss amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Adopted Budget. (30 minutes)

Robert Cone, Budget Officer, reviewed the updates on the proposed amendment.

- 3B. Provide grant program update and discuss allocating matching funding. (45 minutes)

Ron Harper, Grants Coordinator, reviewed grants received since the beginning of the fiscal year; grant applications submitted and applications for which the City is awaiting a response. Discussion about possible budget allotments for future grant applications.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Margolis requested that Item 7G be pulled for Individual Consideration. Item 7B will be postponed to a future meeting to allow for contacting all the participants.

After a short break at 6:41 p.m., Council reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION – Councilmember Brown

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

CONVENE REGULAR SESSION (7:30 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

5A. Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill made the following announcements:

No internet service at home? Your Rowlett Public Library has FREE wi-fi hotspots available for checkout for three weeks at a time.

The City Council General and Special Elections will be held on May 7th. The filing period for all candidates for Councilmember Place 1 – unexpired term ends March 7th. If you are interested in running, you may request a City Council Candidate Guide from the City Secretary's Office on the City's website.

The North Texas Municipal Water District will temporarily change the disinfectant in its water treatment process from March 1-29. This annual, routine change has been conducted for over a decade and is necessary to maintain the regional system and year-round water quality. See the newsflash item for more details and tips.

Rowlett is beginning the recruitment process for our next Chief of Police. We are conducting multiple interactive listening sessions this week – on March 3rd and 4th, to gather citizen input on our community and the qualities our next Police Chief should embody. All sessions are at the Rowlett Community Centre. No need to register to attend – just show up and tell us what you think!

Are you part of a neighborhood group – HOA, Crime Watch or Neighborhood Association? Register with Neighborhood Planning and get info on neighborhood news, events, programs, new development, and emergency outreach.

For more information on these and all other City-related events, please visit Rowlett.com or call the Action Center at 972-412-6100.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

1. Dave Holl, Rowlett; Miller Road right-of-way
2. Debra Shinder, Rowlett; budget amendment, stakeholder group, first responder grant
3. Ken Romaine, Rowlett; consent agenda process, franchise tax
4. Edward Hart, Rowlett; short-term rental

Emailed comments read into the record from: Mark Engen, Rowlett; Keep Rowlett Beautiful, trash

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7A. Consider approving the minutes.

Consider action to approve minutes from the following City Council meeting(s): February 15, 2022 Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

7B. Consider appointments for the Stakeholder Engagement Group.

Appoint members for a Stakeholder Engagement Group to guide, solicit and review public input for the update of the Rowlett Development Code and Form-Based Code.

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

7C. Consider a resolution approving a water lease agreement.

Consider action to approve a resolution approving Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Water Lease Agreement between the City of Rowlett and Sapphire Bay Marina, LLC, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the amended agreement on the City's behalf.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-014-22.

7D. Consider a resolution approving a master agreement renewal for roadway materials.

Consider action to approve a resolution approving the purchase of roadway materials for street repair and maintenance pursuant to a Dallas County Interlocal Agreement, as bid and renewed by Dallas County ILA IFB 2012-057-6750 and court order 2021-1242, in the amount of \$40,000.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-015-22.

7E. Consider an ordinance amending the adopted budget.

Consider action to adopt an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Adopted Budget.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as ORD-006-22.

7F. Consider a resolution authorizing the purchase of video production equipment.

Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing a purchase order in the amount of \$132,010 to Texas Film Gear to purchase a communications sound stage with cameras, lighting, and equipment using PEG Funds.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-016-22.

7G. Consider a resolution approving applying for and accepting grant funding, if awarded.

Consider action to approve a resolution to apply for and, if awarded, accept \$126,362 in grant funding from the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office (PSO), Criminal Justice Division, FY23 First Responder Mental Health Program.

This item was pulled for Individual Consideration.

Mr. Harper provided the information for this item. Lt. Steve Ferrie provided additional information.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to approve the item as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as RES-017-22.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Margolis, seconded by Councilmember Brown, including all the preceding item(s) marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

8. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8A. Consider and take action on a request by Priya Acharya, Wier and Associates, Inc., on behalf of property owner Western Bank and Trust, regarding an Alternative Landscaping Plan under Section 77-504.I of the Rowlett Development Code to modify landscaping buffer requirements on property zoned Planned Development (PD) District for Neighborhood Shopping (C-1) uses. The approximately 2.42-acre site is located approximately 330 feet southwest of the intersection of Dalrock Road and Lakeview Parkway in the City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas.

Alex Koenig, Planning Manager, provided the information for this item. Priya Acharya – applicant, provided additional information.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to approve the item as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as RES-018-22.

8B. Consider and take action on a request by Shady Migally, ME Innovations, Inc., on behalf of property owner Sam Eizeldin, regarding an Alternative Landscaping Plan under Section 77-504.I

of the Rowlett Development Code to modify entryway area landscaping requirements on property zoned Single-Family Residential (SF-8) District. The approximately 5.74-acre site is located approximately 450 feet northeast of the intersection of Dalrock Road and Pheasant Run Drive in the City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas.

Mr. Koenig provided the information for this item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill, to approve the item as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as RES-019-22.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

There was no action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



Matt Grubisich, Mayor Pro Tem



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Approved on: March 15, 2022

