



City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes City Council

Farmers Branch City Hall
13000 Wm Dodson Pkwy
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

The full video of this meeting is available on the City website at <https://farmersbranch.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Council Present: Mayor Terry Lynne, Mayor Pro Tem Omar Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Jackson, Councilmember Martin Baird, Councilmember David Reid, Councilmember Roger Neal

City Staff Present: City Manager Ben Williamson, Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Rainey, Director of Administrative Services Stacy Henderson, City Attorney Nicole Corr, Director of Public Works Ray Silva-Reyes, Director of Parks Rob Diaz, Director of Economic Development Perla Tavera, Director of Finance, Fleet, and Facilities Tammy Zimmerman, and other City staff

CALL TO ORDER - STUDY SESSION (4 P.M.)

Mayor Lynne called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON STUDY SESSION ITEMS

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Council.

STUDY SESSION ITEMS

C.1 Discuss regular agenda items.

Mayor Pro Tem Roman had questions on Item J.10 regarding an amendment to the Code of Ordinance related to stop sign locations.

Mayor Pro Tem Roman and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson had questions on Item J.11 related to a nomination for the Dallas Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Councilmember Reid had questions on Item J.6 related to a gas line installation for the StarCenter Multi-Sport Center.

Councilmember Neil requested confirmation that Items J.5, J.6, and J.8 all were reviewed by the City Attorneys.

C.2 Discuss the City's 2025 Legislative Platform.

Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Rainey gave a presentation explaining important dates for the upcoming legislative session, the process of a bill through the legislative process, and the current legislative

priorities of the City.

The majority of the Council were supportive of the City's priorities as presented, with the direction to bring back this item for further discussion as it relates to the City's endorsement of other entities' legislative priorities.

C.3 Discuss future agenda items.

Mayor Pro Tem Roman requested a memorandum be drafted and sent to Council related to sign regulations in the City.

Mayor Lynne requested an item be brought forward for an update from the Metroplex Association of Realtors on real estate in Farmers Branch and short-term rentals, an item for the possible repeal of a resolution moving the start time for City Council Study Sessions from 4:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., and an item on establishing other target areas for neighborhood redevelopment.

Mayor Lynne convened into Executive Session at 4:36 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

D.1 The City Council will convene into a closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (Real Property Deliberations) to discuss the real property located at 13309 Josey Lane.

CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Lynne called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

G.1 Presentation of a Proclamation honoring White Cane Awareness Day

Mayor Lynne presented Blake Lindsay, Ambassador for Envision Dallas, with a Proclamation celebrating White Cane Awareness Day.

G.3 Presentation of the International Bluegrass Music Association Distinguished Achievement Award for the City of Farmers Branch Annual Bloomin' Bluegrass Festival.

Mayor Lynne introduced Alan Thompkins of the International Bluegrass Music Association who presented the Distinguished Achievement Award to the City in recognition of the annual Bloomin' Bluegrass festival.

G.4 Presentation of a Proclamation designating the month of October 2024 as "Fire Prevention Month" in Farmers Branch.

Mayor Lynne presented a Proclamation honoring Fire Prevention Month.

G.5 Presentation of the Employee of the Month Award for the month of August to Think Nguyen of the Police Department.

Mayor Lynne presented Officer Think Nguyen with the Employee of the Month Award.

G.2 Presentation of a State Resolution from the office of Texas State Representative Rafael Anchia and the City of Farmers Branch recognizing September 15 through October 15, 2024, as National Hispanic Heritage Month.

Mayor Lynne recessed the Regular Agenda at 6:31 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor Lynne, State Representative Rafeal Anchia, and candidate for State office Cassandra Hernandez presented a joint Proclamation honoring National Hispanic Heritage Month.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Public Information Officer Ashtyn Anders presented items of community interest.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizens wishing to address the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

- J.1 Consider approving the following City Council meeting minutes; and take appropriate action.**
- **September 10, 2024, City Council Meeting**
 - **September 17, 2024, City Council Meeting**
- J.2 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-181 authorizing the execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement in the amount of \$30,000 for the property located at 14617 Tanglewood Drive; and take appropriate action.**
- J.3 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-184 authorizing the execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement for the owner of the property located at 3473 Pine Tree Circle; and take appropriate action.**
- J.4 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-176 authorizing the execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement in the amount of \$10,000 for the owner of the property located at 14611 Tanglewood Drive; and take appropriate action.**
- J.5 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-192 authorizing an annual sponsorship agreement with Bluegrass Heritage Foundation for the Farmers Branch Bluegrass Festival in the amount of \$50,000 for three years, and take appropriate action.**
- J.6 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-185 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Primoris Distribution Services, LLC, dba Future Infrastructure for installation of a gas line at the StarCenter Multi-Sport project located at 2400 Pike Street in the amount of \$87,874; and take appropriate action.**

- J.7 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-186 authorizing an Interlocal Agreement for coordinated health services with Dallas County Health and Human Services; and take appropriate action.**
- J.8 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-124 authorizing the City Manager to execute a first amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc. for the design of the Denton Drive Trail Connector Project in the amount of \$183,955; and take appropriate action.**
- J.9 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-168 authorizing the City Manager to execute a first amendment to the professional services agreement with Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc. for the design of the Farmers Branch Creek Erosion Control Project Reach 2 in the amount of \$70,378.60; and take appropriate action.**
- J.10 Consider approving Ordinance No. 3893 amending the Code of Ordinances Chapter 82, Article II, Division 5 Stop and Yield, Section 82-73 Stop Sign Location by authorizing the placement of a four-way stop at the intersection of Dennis Lane and Longmeade Drive and take appropriate action.**
- J.11 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-165 nominating Mayor Terry Lynne to be considered to be placed on the ballot for the election of Dallas Central Appraisal District Board of Directors; and take appropriate action. A motion was made by Councilmember Neal, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Roman, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Jackson, Councilmember Baird, Councilmember Neal, Councilmember Reid

PUBLIC HEARING

- K.1 Conduct a public hearing and consider adopting Ordinance No. 3891 for a private school (primary and secondary) development on approximately 2.79 acres located at 4000 McEwen Road, within the Planned Development District No. 90 (PD-90) zoning district; and take appropriate action.**

Lead Planner Sarah Bergman gave a presentation on the site layout, the requested zoning change, and the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Neal, to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 3891 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilmember Baird, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

L.1 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-179 authorizing the City Manager to approve the purchase and installation of furniture with Wilson Bauhaus Interiors at the Justice Center through the Omnia Partners Cooperative purchasing program in an amount not to exceed \$250,342.49; and take appropriate action.

Deputy Director of Finance Catherine Lee gave a presentation explaining the background of the project, the proposals received for the purchase of furniture, the recommended vendor, and the details of the furniture purchase.

A motion was made by Councilmember Reid, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, to approve Resolution No. 2024-179 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilmember Baird, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

L.2 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-169 authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Birkhoff, Hendricks, & Carter, L.L.P. for design of the Webb Chapel Road Utility Improvements Project for the amount of \$912,700; and take appropriate action.

Public Works Director Ray Silva-Reyes gave a presentation explaining the details of the project, the total cost of the project, and the location of the lines being replaced.

A motion was made by Councilmember Neal, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to approve Resolution No. 2024-169 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilmember Baird, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

L.3 Consider approving Resolution No. 2024-175 authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc. for design of the Denton Drive Roadway Improvements Project in the amount of \$552,200; and take appropriate action.

Director of Public Works Ray Silva-Reyes gave a presentation explaining the details of the road construction project, the total cost of the project, the collaboration with the DART Transportation improvement projects underway, and the estimated time of completion.

Armani Miller-Jackson, 14650 Landmark Boulevard, spoke on panhandling in the city.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Roman, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to approve Resolution No. 2024-175 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilmember Baird, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

TAKE ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lynne adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:11 p.m.

City Secretary Stacy Henderson, TRMC

Mayor Terry Lynne