



MINUTES Regular Meeting Azle City Council

505 W. Main Street
Azle, Texas 76020

May 16, 2023

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundrett called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Members Present:

Mayor Alan Brundrett
Mayor Pro Tem Randa Goode
Councilmember Derrick Nelson
Councilmember Stacy Peek
Councilmember Amy Estes
Councilmember Rouel Rothenberger
Councilmember Brian Conner

Staff Present:

Tom Muir	City Manager
Lawrence Bryant	Assistant City Manager
Cara White	City Attorney
Yael Forgey	City Secretary
Susie Hiles	Assistant to the City Manager
David Hawkins	Director of Planning and Development
Kristen Pegues	Marketing Coordinator
Curren McLane	Library Director
Victor Gonzalez	Assistant Library Director
Renita Bishop	Finance Director
Will Scott	Fire Chief
Lee Godbold	Assistant Fire Chief
Kenny Willson	Fire Marshal
Ben Hall	Police Chief

INVOCATION

Corey Wynns, Pastor of Crossing Fellowship, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brundrett led the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2023

Mayor Brundrett recognized Finance Director Renita Bishop who gave a brief review of the Quarterly Investment Report ending March 31, 2023, noting the market value of this quarter's investment at \$39,586,145, the average quarterly yield was 4.30%, with quarterly interest earnings of \$377,384.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Consider any action on the May 2, 2023 regular council meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Rothenberger moved to approve the May 2, 2023 regular council meeting minutes as presented. Councilmember Conner seconded the motion.

Yes: (7) Alan Brundrett, Randa Goode, Derrick Nelson, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner

3. Consider any action approving Resolution No. 2023-06 canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the general election held May 6, 2023.

- Certificate of Election.

- Written Statement of Elected Officer and Oath of Office.

Councilmember Rothenberger moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-06 canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the general election held May 6, 2023 noting the following candidates were duly elected to the respective places. Mayor Pro Tem Goode seconded the motion.

Mayor - Alan Brundrett

Councilmember Place 3, Stacy Peek

Councilmember Place 4, Randa Goode

Councilmember Place 6, Brian Conner

Yes: (7) Alan Brundrett, Randa Goode, Derrick Nelson, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner

City Secretary Yael Forgey swore in the returning Mayor, Alan Brundrett.

Mayor Brundrett swore in the returning council members Stacy Peek, Randa Goode, and Brian Conner.

4. Consider any action on the election of the Mayor Pro Tem for a one-year term 2023-24.

Councilmember Peek recommended appointing Randa Goode as Mayor Pro Tem for a one-year term from 2023-24. Councilmember Rothenberger seconded the motion.

Yes: (7) Alan Brundrett, Randa Goode, Derrick Nelson, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner

Mayor Brundrett convened a short recess at 6:18 PM and left the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Randa Goode reconvened at 6:25 PM.

5. Consider any action on the request by the Azle Area Ministerial Alliance to utilize Central Park; a fire truck; a waiver of the fees charged for Fire Department personnel and equipment; a waiver of fees for the rental of the Pavilion and Amphitheater; approving a Council Variance allowing the issuance of a fireworks permit and a waiver of the fireworks permit fee contingent on all requirements being met for the "Follow the Flag" event on July 4, 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Goode recognized Mr. Alton Davis, Azle Ministerial Alliance, who gave a short overview of the Follow the Flag event.

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Yes: (6) Randa Goode, Derrick Nelson, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner

6. Consider any action approving the Façade and Signage Improvement Program application for Park Place Plaza at 100-252 Park Place.

Councilmember Conner moved to approve the Façade and Signage Improvement Program application in the amount of \$5,000 for Park Place Plaza at 100-252 Park Place as presented. Councilmember Rothenberger seconded the motion.

Yes: (6) Randa Goode, Derrick Nelson, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Proposed Development in Azle City Limits/ETJ

Mayor Pro Tem Goode recognized Sam Knight of Pape-Dawson Engineers and Hunter Viker with DR Horton who gave a presentation on a future development to be located partially inside Azle city limits and partially in the city's ETJ.

8. Facade and Signage Improvement Program Policy.

Mayor Pro Tem Goode would like to see if the Facade Grant Policy can be modified so the City's match portion can be paid directly to the contractor instead of reimbursing the applicant to make it easier for the applicants to afford the repairs. Staff will work with the City Attorney and come back with suggestions.

9. Donation Bins

Mayor Pro Tem Goode introduced City Attorney Cara White, who explained the different ways the City can regulate donation bins.

Council requested an ordinance to be drafted for the next council meeting.

10. Debt Issuance - Dunaway Lane

Mayor Pro Tem Goode recognized City Manager Tom Muir who reminded the Council they approved Resolution 2023-04 enabling the reimbursement of expenditures for the Dunaway Lane project proceeds of future debt. At the time, Staff recommended issuing \$6 million in COs for this project. Mr Muir provided an overview of the timeline of debt issuance and the amount. Council agreed to proceed.

ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

Food Trucks.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- 05-29-2023 - Memorial Day. City facilities are closed.
- Library Director Curren McLane thanked the AARP Tax Aide team, which helped citizens in the city with their tax returns. They filed 951 returns this year.

- 06-02-2023 - Azle Library Summer Reading Program starts.
- 05-31-2023 - Last day of School and June 3 is Azle HS graduation.
- Splash Pad will be open Memorial Day weekend.
- TxDOT will be holding a Stakeholder meeting on May 24 to provide information and receive comments on the proposed FM 730N project. Several Staff members will be attending.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Goode convened to executive session at 7:25 PM.

551.071 CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY

Providing Police Services for Neighboring Communities

Mayor Pro Tem Goode reconvened to open session at 7:48 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Goode adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Presented and approved on 06-06-2023



Alan Brundrett, Mayor

Attest:



Yael Forgey, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary