The Hutto City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, October 18, 2018, in the Hutto City Council Chamber, 401 W. Front Street, Hutto, TX 78634.

**CALL SESSION TO ORDER**

Mayor Gaul called the session to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members of the City Council present were Mayor Doug Gaul, Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines, Councilmember Scott Rose, Councilmember Nathan Killough, Councilmember Patti Turner and Councilmember Terri Grimm. Councilmember Tim Jordan was absent.

Members of staff present were Odis Jones, City Manager; Helen Ramirez, Assistant City Manager; Edna Atmore, Assistant City Manager; Mike Shaumessy, City Attorney; Bill Bingham, City Attorney; Byron Frankland, Chief of Police; and Lisa Brown, City Secretary.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Pastor Joe DeLeon of Crosswalk Church.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge were led by Luke Rodriguez and Ave Zepeda of Cub Scout Pack 912.

**PROCLAMATION**

5A. National Friends of the Library Week October 21 – 28, 2018

A Proclamation Recognizing the Friends of the Hutto Public Library
National Friends of Libraries Week
October 21-28, 2018

Whereas, National Friends of the Library Week will be celebrated in public libraries throughout the country and Williamson County, and all of the cities and communities therein, from October 21, 2018 to October 28, 2018; and
Whereas, Friends of the Hutto Public Library raise money that enables our library to move from good to great -- providing the resources for additional programming, much needed equipment, support for children's summer reading, and special events throughout the year;

Whereas, the work of the Friends highlights on an on-going basis the fact that our library is the cornerstone of the community providing opportunities for all to engage in the joy of life-long learning and connect with the thoughts and ideas of others from ages past to the present;

Whereas, the Friends understand the critical importance of well funded libraries and advocate to ensure that our library gets the resources it needs to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, along with expert assistance in research, readers’ advisory, and children’s services;

Whereas, the Friends’ gift of their time and commitment to the library sets an example for all in how volunteerism leads to positive civic engagement and the betterment of our community;

Now, therefore, I, Doug Gaul, Mayor of the City of Hutto, do hereby proclaim October 21-28, 2018, as Friends of Libraries week in Hutto, Texas and urges everyone to join the Friends of the Library and thank them for all they do to make our library and community so much better.

City of Hutto, Texas

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Doug, Gaul, Mayor

5B. Proclamation declaring October as Code Compliance Month in the City of Hutto

Proclamation

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers provide for safety, health and welfare of citizens living in communities throughout the United States through the enforcement of building, zoning, housing, environmental, property maintenance and other codes and ordinances; and

Whereas, Code Enforcement Officers are dedicated, well-trained and highly responsible individuals who take their jobs seriously, are proud of their department and local government and are committed to promoting life safety and improving neighborhood aesthetics in the course of their daily jobs; and

Whereas, the American Association of Code Enforcement, acting on behalf of more than 1,300 members, has requested that October be set aside to honor and recognize our Code Enforcement Officers as an opportunity to highlight the contributions these individuals have made to the quality of our communities, to celebrate American accomplishments in making collective decisions concerning our cities and regions that bring quality and meaning to our lives and to recognize the participation and dedication of Code Enforcement Officers who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of communities throughout the United States; and
Whereas, we recognize the many valuable contributions that have been made by the Code Enforcement Officers throughout our city and extend our heartfelt thanks for their continued commitment to public service;

Now, therefore, I, Doug Gaul, Mayor of the City of Hutto, do hereby proclaim October, 2018, as Code Compliance Month in Hutto, Texas and urge everyone to join us and thank the Code Enforcement Department for all they do to make our city and community so much better.

City of Hutto, Texas

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Doug, Gaul, Mayor

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Patti Turner thanked the staff of the Parks Department for their efforts on the Get Outdoors Hutto event. This was the largest turnout yet and a lot of fun despite the rain.

Mayor Gaul commented that the next City Council meeting on November 1, 2018 will be held at in the Hutto ISD School Administration Board Room. The change in location was necessary due to the Early Election Voting that will be held in the Council Chambers from October 22- November 6, 2018.

Mike Shaunessy reminded the Council that they requested that all voting be held at City Hall. The choice was to either cancel the meeting or move it to an alternate location.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Corina and Ave Zepeda 309 Baldwin Street – informed the Council that her daughter Ave is the first girl to join the Cub Scouts here in Hutto. The Scouts participate in character building, STEM events and camping. Ave stated she likes scouting because she likes science and camping. She asked if we would help support the pack by purchasing popcorn.

Richard and Luke Rodriguez 505 San Antonio – He is the den leader of Pack 912. Before it was just him and his son Luke until they merged with the other pack in town. They now have 8 kids, 3 of which are girls. Luke stated he chose to be a Cub Scout because he thought it would be fun. He also promoted the sale of popcorn that helps the pack pay for activities.

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Mayor Gaul stated that there were several item that needed to be tabled. Those items are: 8A, 8B, 10B, 10C, 11B, 13A and 14A.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to table Items: 8A, 8B, 10B, 10C, 11B, 13A and 14A. Councilmember Killough seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm
Absent Councilmember Tim Jordan

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

8A. Presentation announcing the Company for Project Wire.

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8B. Construction update on the Co-Op Development.

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8C. Report on Texas Municipal League Annual Conference and Exhibition.

Councilmembers Scott Rose, Patti Turner, Terri Grimm and Mayor Gaul shared some of their experiences from the annual conference that was held in Fort Worth the previous week.

Some of the courses they attended covered the use of social media by councilmembers, how to work with legal counsel, how cities can lobby the legislature, and the use of digital technology to reach more citizens.

Councilmembers Turner and Grimm both attended a class on what first responders are doing to connect with the community. Some of the programs presented were coffee with a cop, quarterly BBQs with a church group, and fishing with a cop.

Mayor Gaul stated he attended a class on Smart City Strategies where he learned that the Frisco Police Department has access to the school cameras that allows them to see into classrooms in the event of an active shooter situation; conducting a 2-minute Facebook Live wrap-up after Council meetings; and placing a kiosk in front of City Hall where citizens could pay their utility bills after hours or pay a warrant.

8D. Presentation of the City Financials for the month of September as well as investment reports as required by the fiscal and budgetary policy.

Edena Atmore presented an over view of the General Fund and Utility Fund balances for the end of year 2018. The City was $550,000.00 under budget for FY 2018.
CONSENT AGENDA

9A. Consideration and possible action approving the minutes of the October 4, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2018 Council meeting. Councilmember Killough seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes Mayor Doug Gaul
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines
Councilmember Scott Rose
Council Member Nate Killough
Councilmember Patti Turner
Councilmember Terri Grimm
Absent Councilmember Tim Jordan

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

ORDINANCES

10A. Consideration and possible action on the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 16.04.044 paragraph (e) Waivers.

Helen Ramirez presented an amendment to the current ordinance granting the City Manager the authority to waive or reduce fees for the ESD or ISD.

Councilmember Grimm stated that she does not believe an amendment is necessary and the authority should remain with the Council.

Mayor Gaul agreed with Councilmember Grimm.

Mayor Pro-tem Hines remarked that we trust the City Manager with regard to Development fees, how is this any different?

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to accept the first reading of the ordinance amending Section 16.04.044 paragraph (e) Waivers. There being no second the motion was not considered.

10B. Consideration and possible action on the second reading of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Hutto, Texas accepting and approving a service and assessment plan and assessment roll for Hutto Co-Op Public Improvement District; making a finding of special benefit to the property in the master improvement district and establishing a lien on such property; providing for the method of assessment and the payment of the
special assessments in accordance with Chapter 372, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, providing penalties and interest on delinquent assessments, providing for severability, and providing an effective date.

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10C. Consideration and possible action on the second reading of an ordinance relating to development of the Co-Op District in the City of Hutto, Texas including dedicating a portion of ad valorem taxes collected on property located within Reinvestment Zone No. 1, City of Hutto, Texas; approving a loan agreement in connection with financing of projects within the Reinvestment Zone No. 1; authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Public Improvement District administrative services agreement for Reinvestment Zone No. 1; approving the City of Hutto Economic Development Corporation Type B dedication of a portion of sales tax collected by the corporation to the Reinvestment Zone No. 1; approving a financing plan for the tax increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 for the Co-Op District; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into certain agreements relating to the Reinvestment Zone No. 1 and to approve amendments to those agreements.

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RESOLUTIONS

11A. Discussion and possible action on a resolution authorizing a fee waiver for the ESD new fire station. Specifically the property located at 150 Swindoll Lane.

Helen Ramirez presented the resolution that requests the water and waste water impact fees for the new fire station be waived up to $60,000.00.

Motion: Councilmember Killough made a motion to accept the proposed resolution waiving the water and wastewater impact fees for the new fire station. Councilmember Turner seconded the amendment.

Vote: Ayes Mayor Doug Gaul  
Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines  
Councilmember Scott Rose  
Council Member Nate Killough  
Councilmember Patti Turner  
Councilmember Terri Grimm  
Absent Councilmember Tim Jordan

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

11B. Consideration and possible action on a resolution regarding amended agreements between River Creek Development Corporation and others regarding developer financing of the Co-Op Project, including, a construction contract, an interlocal agreement, a loan agreement.
continuing disclosure agreement and other agreements related to financing of the Co-Op Project.

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OTHER BUSINESS

12A. Consideration and possible appointments to City Boards and Commissions, including the Economic Development Corporations.

There were no appointments made.

The Council recessed to executive session at 7:46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

13A. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.087, deliberations regarding Economic Development negotiations related to Project Wire and Project China Connection.

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13B. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officer or employee: City Manager.

13C. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.017, Consultation with Attorney regarding debt restructuring.

The Council reconvened at 9:19 p.m. There was no action taken in Executive Session.

ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

14A. Consideration and possible action related to Project Wire.

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14B. Consideration and possible action regarding the deliberation of the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officer or employee: City Manager.

Mayor Gaul stated that the Executive Session was a review of the City Manager's performance and the City is moving in the right direction.
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be heard, the meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

CITY OF HUTTO

Doug Gaul, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Lisa L. Brown, City Secretary