The Hutto City Council met in a regular session on Thursday, January 3, 2019, 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 Tim Jordan, Councilmember Patti Turner and Councilmember Terri Grimm. Councilmember Nathan Killough was absent.

Members of staff that were present were Odis Jones, City Manager; Helen Ramirez, Assistant City Manager; City Attorney Bill Bingham, Byron Frankland, Chief of Police; Paul Hall, Assistant Chief of Police; Matt Rector, Executive Director of Public Works and Engineering; Michel Sorrel, Chief Financial Officer; Ashley Lumpkin, Executive Director Business Development, Jessica Bullock, Director of Economic Development; Eliska Padilla, Executive Director of Communications; Tony Host, Director of Public Works and Lisa Brown, City Secretary.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Vicar Katie Wegner – Hutto Lutheran Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gaul led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no City Council comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jack Kelley 2904 Margarita Loop, Round Rock – Mr. Kelley’s son, Det. Sergeant Christopher Kelley, a Hutto police officer was killed in the line of duty. Mr. Kelley had previously petitioned the Texas House of Representatives to dedicate a portion of US 79 as a memorial to his son, but was unsuccessful. He has petitioned the Texas Senate this legislative session and has requested the City Council endorse the petition.
Odis Jones, City Manager, expressed his sympathy to Mr. Kelley and assured him that his office and the City Council will do everything they can to endorse the petition.

CONSENT AGENDA

7A. Consideration and possible action approving the minutes of the December 20, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.

Motion: Councilmember Grimm made a motion to approve the December 20, 2018 minutes. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

ORDINANCES

8A. Consideration and possible action on the reading of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 22, Article 22.03 Operation of Vehicles, Section 22.03.034 School Zones and Article 22.07 Traffic Schedules, Section 22.07.002 School Zone.

Matt Rector, Executive Director of Engineering and Public Works, presented the ordinance to update defining the school zones and adding a process to define school zones for a second reading to the City Council.

Motion: Councilmember Rose made a motion accept the second reading of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 22, Article 22.03 Operation of Vehicles, Section 22.03.034 School Zones and Article 22.07 Traffic Schedules, Section 22.07.002 School Zone. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes Mayor Doug Gaul  
       Councilmember Scott Rose  
       Mayor Pro-tem Tom Hines  
       Councilmember Tim Jordan  
       Councilmember Patti Turner  
       Councilmember Terri Grimm  
       Absent Council Member Nate Killough
Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

8B. Consideration and possible action on the second reading of an ordinance adopting a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

Matt Rector presented a second reading of the ordinance for a Flood Damage Prevention program.

Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion accept the second reading of an ordinance to adopt a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. Councilmember Rose seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

RESOLUTIONS

9A. Consideration and possible action on a resolution declaring support and pledge to participate in the It’s Time Texas Community Challenge.

Eliska Padilla, Executive Director of Communication, presented the challenge to the City Council.

The It’s Time Texas Community Challenge is an 8-week competition that unites and mobilizes community schools, businesses, organizations, residents and elected officials toward the common goal of transforming the community’s health.

This year’s Community Challenge starts January 7 and runs through March 13.

“All citizens are encouraged to participate so we can make our community more united, more productive, and more prosperous,” said Mayor Doug Gaul.

Participants earn points for their city and are entered for prize drawings every time they make and submit a healthy choice. The Texas community that has the most points will receive funds toward future health efforts.

The City does not register as a whole. Instead, each individual registers and chooses the community they want their points to go to. Participants earn a 200 point bonus for registering
before Jan. 7, 2019 on top of the 500 points awarded for registration. Registering for the competition is free.

Additionally, there is a School District Challenge, which allows school staff and faculty, as well as parents of students in grades K-12, to earn points for their school district as well. If participants choose to opt-in to the school district challenge, the district will also earn points for each healthy activity submitted, along with their chosen city.

Cities are divided into population categories, and the community with the most points in each category will receive an $1,800 community grant to put toward future health-related efforts, along with a trophy, school district banner, Governor’s certificate, web banner and badge, and four free registrations to the 2019 Healthier Texas Summit event! Runners-up and school district winners will receive a plaque.


Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion accept the resolution declaring support and pledge to participate in It’s Time Texas. Councilmember Grimm seconded the motion.

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

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

9B. Consideration and possible action on a resolution expressing official intent to reimburse expenses related to constructing, acquiring, improving, renovating, developing and equipping, land, buildings and supporting infrastructure for public safety and communication facilities and constructing, improving, extending, upgrading and/or developing streets, roads and intersections at FM 1660 North and Limmer Loop, FM 1660 at U.S. 79, FM 1660 South and Front Street and other City roads.

Helen Ramirez, Assistant City Manager, presented the resolution that will approve that funds expended by the City immediately for infrastructure projects will be reimbursed by bond funds.

Mayor Pro-tem Tome Hines wanted clarification that this resolution allows us to borrow the funds and they will be paid back by the end of the year – Helen Ramirez – yes.

Councilwoman Patti Turner wanted to know when the debt would be issued – Odis Jones – approximately April.
Motion: Mayor Pro-tem Hines made a motion to approve the resolution expressing official intent to reimburse expenses related to constructing, acquiring, improving, renovating, developing and equipping, land, buildings and supporting infrastructure for public safety and communication facilities and constructing, improving, extending, upgrading and/or developing streets, roads and intersections at FM 1660 North and Limmer Loop, FM 1660 at U.S. 79, FM 1660 South and Front Street and other City roads. Councilmember Jordan seconded the motion.

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

     Absent Council Member Nate Killough

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

OTHER BUSINESS

10A. Consideration of and possible appointments to City Boards and Commissions, including the Economic Development Corporations.

Motion: Councilman Jordan made a motion to appoint Julia Cooper to the Parks Advisory Board. Mayor Pro-tem Hines seconded the motion.

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

     Absent Council Member Nate Killough

Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

Motion: Councilman Scott Rose made a motion to appoint Troy Manella to the Building & Standards Commission. Mayor Pro-tem Hines seconded the motion.

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

     Absent Council Member Nate Killough

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Action: The motion passed 6 ayes, and 0 nays

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

11A. Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to the Public Works staff for their dedication and commitment to serving the citizens of Hutto during the December water main break.

_Odis Jones presented Certificates of Appreciation to members of the Public Works staff for their dedication to the City and for their hard work on the water main break repairs:_

**Utility Department**

_Matt Edwards_
_Jose Sanchez_
_Calynn Duffey_
_Richard Rodriguez_
_Pete Gonzalez_
_Carson Monroe_
_Nick Parker_
_Aaron Neslony_
_Tony Townsend_
_Travis Duncan_

**Streets and Drainage**

_Mark Nunez_
_Lance Zeplin_
_John Ollaway_
_Greg Altamirano_

**Construction Inspection**

_Todd Meaker_

Councilwoman Turner stated the City could not have better individuals working for the City.

_Mayor Gaul thanked the families of the employees for being understanding of the time their loved ones commit to the City and their jobs._

11B. Discussion with the Parks Improvement Committee regarding Proposition C and their recommendations.

_Shane Mize, Director of Parks & Rec, and Kelly Gaydos, Chair of the Parks Advisory Board provided an overview of projects the Parks Improvement Committee compiled of immediate improvements to the City parks. Those projects included new playground equipment, restrooms, improved ball fields and access to Hutto Lake Park off of Chris Kelley Blvd._
Councilwoman Grimm expressed concern that the ropes structures are geared to a specific age group – Shane Mize: all structures have components for ages 2-5 and 5-12.

Councilmembers Rose, Jordan and Grimm would all like to see the presentation going through the Parks Board for recommendations and approval.

Mayor Gaul would like for the Committee to continue to meet with the Parks Board on a quarterly basis.

11C. Discussion with outlined the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding Proposition A and their recommendations.

Ashley Lumpkin and Jessica Romigh, Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission outlined the Commissions recommendations on immediate projects. Other than those projects specifically identified in the Bond: Cottonwood Creek Drainage, FM 1660 N. @ Limmer Loop, FM 1660 N @ US 79, FM 1660 S @ US 79.

Another project identified was of improvement the Legends of Hutto drainages ditches. Dedication of the land to the City would need to happen prior to commencement of the project.

Councilman Jordan commented the dedication the land/ditches to the City was to have happened several years ago – he would hope that the dedication of all of the land would happen at the same time.

The Council recessed to executive session at 9:01 p.m. and reconvened at 9:54 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12A. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.087, Economic Development, regarding Titan development project and Project Expansion.

12B. Executive Session, as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, regarding Transportation Impact Fee.

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

13A. Consideration and possible action regarding a Transportation Impact Fee.

Motion: Councilman Turner made a motion authorizing the City Manager to suspend operation of Ordinance O-18-07-19-9A at his discretion. Mayor Pro-tem Hines seconded the motion.

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

Action:  The motion passed 5 ayes, and 1 nays

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be heard, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

CITY OF HUTTO

[Signature]
Doug Gaul, Mayor

ATTESTED:

[Signature]
Lisa L. Brown, City Secretary