

**MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NORTH MAINSTREET
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 20109**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cannon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Cannon, Mayor
Jessica Bega, Mayor Pro Tem
Mary Penson, Council Member
Brad Jones, Council Member
Forest Dennis, Council Member
Juan Gonzalez, Council Member

Mayor Cannon certified there was a quorum.

Mayor Cannon asked that the record reflect that Council Member Arreaga and Council Member Lopez were absent, and both notified him they would not be in attendance. Council Member Brashar moved to excuse Council Member Arreaga and Council Member Lopez. Council Member Penson seconds the motion. Motion carried. 7-0.

Staff: Thomas L. Mattis, City Manager
Charles Cunningham, Finance Director
Michael Gonzalez, Parks Director
Patrick South, Chief of Police
Amy Miller, Community

INVOCATION

Council Member Penson gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Cannon led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Cannon opened Public Comments.

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Beth Rolingson Director for Advocacy Outreach spoke and stated that she was there to announce that Advocacy Outreach had been awarded a competitive grant through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to provide emergency services in Elgin. She stated she was required to inform the Council by the rules of the grant, and that they had been providing emergency shelter in Elgin for the past 25 years. She stated they help homeless people and help prevent evictions, and that they were one of thirteen areas to get the funding.

With no one wishing to speak Mayor Cannon closed Public Comments.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Discussion and Possible Direction to Staff Regarding the Distribution of Community Non-Profit Support Funding ss Included in the FY2019-20 Annual Operating Budget.

City Manager Thomas Mattis stated staff was looking for direction from Council as to how they will distribute the money set aside in the budget for community non-profit support. He stated this was funding that the city has traditionally provided as a donation or support on behalf of the residents by the city.

Mayor Cannon stated that in the past there was two Council Members and the City Manager on a committee. Council Member Brashar stated that the City Secretary and one staff member were also in the committee. Council Member Brashar stated they had a score sheet and made sure all applications and documents were submitted. Mayor Pro Tem Bega asked if the same criteria would apply today if the same process is used. Council Member Brashar stated she thought it was a good process, going through each one and everyone scoring on their own. Mayor Cannon stated that the Chamber and Historic Association should be shifted out of this fund because he did not know if Historic Services and the Chamber of Commerce fit into that group and shifting to a different fund. Mayor Cannon stated that if some information could be put together and numbers to Council before the December meeting then have the discussion at that time to disperse the money before the end of the year. Mayor Cannon asked about establishing a three-member committee tonight and asked who would be willing to be on the committee. Council Members Gonzalez, Penson and Brashar agreed to serve on the committee.

Mr. Mattis mentioned the Committee appointments and re-appointments would be on the next agenda for discussion, then the appointments done in January.

Mr. Mattis shared that Michael Gonzalez had saved a child that was choking while he was at a restaurant having dinner.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MUNICIPAL ADVISORY AGREEMENT WITH RBC

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CAPITAL MARKETS LLC RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF MUNICIPAL SECURITIES AND/OR DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO

Council Member Penson moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Bega seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, CASTING ITS VOTES FOR THE BASTROP CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS

No action was taken on this item.

3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, TO CAST A VOTE FOR A PERSON TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRAVIS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT.

Council Member Brashar moved to approve the Resolution nominating Anthony Nguyen to serve on the Travis Central Appraisal District. Council Member Penson seconds the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shop small on November 30th.

City Manager Thomas Mattis asked to move back to the City Manager's report because there was a staff report to make about a grant the city received.

Elizabeth Marzek spoke and stated that on November 15th it was announced that the City of Elgin was awarded the St. David's Parks with a Purpose Grant, in the amount of \$199,909 and would be used to update broken play equipment in Elgin Memorial Park. In addition, adding functional rubberized work out space, walking trail, outdoor fitness equipment and shade structure. She stated the grant must be implemented by December 2020 and they were currently developing a plan for implementation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cannon adjourned the City Council Meeting at 7:49 p.m.

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Chris Cannon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amelia Sanchez, City Secretary