

Minutes

The City of Princeton

City Council Meeting of April 10, 2023

The City Council of the City of Princeton, Texas, met in Regular Session on April 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 2000 E. Princeton Dr. Princeton, Texas 75407.

The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor Brianna Chacón, Mayor Pro Tempore Steven Deffibaugh, Councilmember Marlo Obera, Councilmember David Kleiber, and Councilmember Bryan Washington.

The following Councilmembers were absent: Keven Underwood

The following Staff Members were present: City Manager Derek Borg, City Attorney David Overcash, City Secretary Amber Anderson, Director of Community Engagement Tenishea Turner, Director of Community Events Stephanie O'Brien, Estefania Villalba, Interim Police Chief James Waters, Officer Rizzo, and Officer Toler.

Mayor **Chacón** called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor **Chacón** called roll, present were Councilmembers: **Kleiber, Obera, Washington, and Mayor Pro Tempore Deffibaugh.**

**Moment of Silence.**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced Public Appearance: The following is a list of speakers that spoke in order under Public Appearance: Kelly Carr, LaQuita James, Henry Savino, Christian Rivera, Ricky Elmore, Dorinda Powell, Clinton Lowrance, John Campbell, Dyane Kelly, Cyndi Parland, and Catherine Bodine.

Mayor **Chacón** announced Mayors Comments: Only a few things to address tonight in regard to our public appearance. I am glad that Mr. Campbell, who is also a board

member with the ISD School Board did bring up funding, I just want to make for sure, we all are clear that Municipality tax dollars do not actually fund the ISD. So, while our children do need proper education and tools and access to the highest, they can get there, for their learning experience. The City does not fund that, that is two different tax sources. But I think we are all in agreeance that our children do deserve the best. Also, in regard to DEI, several people here tonight did bring up DEI training, and that being employed in the workforce, I don't believe that's something that as Council we ever voted on, we simply discussed having an advisory board. So, I appreciate you coming tonight and your concerns, and we will definitely consider those concerns and weigh those options, however that is not actually something that we as Council have ever really put forward for a vote.

Mayor **Chacón** announced the Consent Agenda: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Items on the **Consent Agenda were Minutes:** Discussion and possible action regarding the minutes of March 27, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting. **EDC Detention Ponds Project (CO#2):** Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution of the City of Princeton Texas, 4A Economic Development Corporation establishing the allocation of additional funds for a specific project, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the required documents to complete the project. **Ordinance No. 2023-04-10 (Amending Parks and Recreation):** Adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-04-10 amending the Princeton Municipal Code to modify the premises governed under the City's park and recreation ordinances.

**Resolution No. 2023-04-10-R (Universal Natural Gas Interim Rate):** Consideration and potential action on Res. No. 2023-04-10-R, suspending for 45 days the effective date proposed by Universal Natural Gas, LLC d/b/a Universal Natural Gas, Inc. and d/b/a Centric Gas, in its application filed on or about February 15, 2023, pursuant to section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act. **Resolution No. 2023-04-10-R04**

**(2nd Street CO):** Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution of the City of Princeton, Texas establishing the allocation of additional funds for the 2nd Street Reconstruction Project; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the document required for construction. Mayor Pro Tempore **Deffibaugh** made a motion to approve the **Consent Agenda**. Councilmember **Washington** seconded the motion to approve. The motion carried **4-0**.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the first item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-061 Recognition:** Recognition of our teachers from PISD Canup Early Childhood Center that have helped with our sensory-sensitive Easter egg hunt. **Christa Martinez, Kaci Spivey, Tanya Trevino. No action taken.**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the second item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-062 North Texas Municipal Water District Board:** Discussion and possible action regarding the reappointment of Jody Sutherland to the North Texas Municipal Water District Board. Mayor Pro Tempore **Deffibaugh** made a motion to reappoint **Jody Sutherland to the North Texas Municipal Water District Board representing the City of Princeton**. Councilmember **Washington** seconded the motion to reappoint **Jody Sutherland to NTMWDB**. The motion carried **4-0**.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the third item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-063 Public Hearing (Annexation Fettouh Property):** Conduct a public hearing regarding a request received from Osama Aboul Fettouh, for the voluntary annexation

of property Being a tract of land situated Collin County, Texas, being part of the David Cherry Survey, Abstract No. 166, being part of a called 97.419 acre tract as described in a Warranty Deed with a Vendor's Lien from Marcel K. Jones et al, to T. Meredith Hard a/k/a Thomas Meredith Hard and wife, Nancy J. Hard as recorded in Volume 3537, Page 97, Land Records of Collin County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows: 41.733 acres of land, more or less.

**Mayor Chacón opened public hearing at 7:11 p.m.**

**Mayor Chacón closed public hearing at 7:11 p.m.**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the fourth item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-064 Resolution No. 2023-04-10-R01 (Municipal Park Phase 3)**: Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution of the City of Princeton, Texas authorizing individual project order #175 for the preparation of the construction plans for additional improvements at the Municipal Park Facility, authorizing the funding, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreements. Mayor Pro Tempore **Deffibaugh** made a **motion to approve**. Councilmember **Washington** seconded the motion to approve. The motion carried **4-0**.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the fifth item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-065 Resolution No. 2023-04-10-R02 (Comprehensive Plan Update)**: Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution of the City of Princeton, Texas, authorizing individual project order #176 for the preparation of amendment to the comprehensive plan, authorizing the funding, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreements. Councilmember **Washington** made a **motion to approve**. Mayor Pro Tempore **Deffibaugh** seconded the motion to approve. The motion carried **4-0**.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the sixth item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-**

**066 Resolution No. 2023-04-10-R03 (Park Bond Public Outreach IPO#177):**

Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution of the City of Princeton, Texas, authorizing individual project order #177 for the implementation of a public engagement plan related to the 2023 Parks Bond Program, authorizing the funding, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreements. Mayor Pro Tempore **Deffibaugh made a motion to approve. Councilmember Kleiber seconded the motion to approve. The motion carried 4-0.**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the seventh item under the Regular Agenda: **2023-067 Future Agenda Items:** Possible action to approve request for items to be placed on a future agenda and NOT for discussion of these requests. **None**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced Executive Session. **Executive Session:** In accordance with terms of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code the City Council may enter into CLOSED SESSION or Executive Session to discuss the following: Section 551.071 (2) Texas Government Code. Consultation with the City Attorney on a pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter on any posted agenda items listed elsewhere within this agenda, and/or the subject matter listed below:

- 1) Consultation with City Attorney regarding the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion project.

**Mayor Chacón adjourned into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.**

**Mayor Chacón reconvened into Regular Session at 8:06 p.m.**

**Action pertaining to executive session- No action taken.**

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the Report Agenda: City Manager: **Derek Borg**

spoke on the following items:

- 1) Next City Council Meeting, Monday, April 24, 2023, @ 6:30 PM.
- 2) Meal on Wheels-Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM @ Steven and Judy Deffibaugh Community Center - 416 North 4th Street.
- 3) CPR/AED and Fire Safety Education Training-Classes are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ the Steven and Judy Deffibaugh Community Center located at 416 N 4th Street.
- 4) Vendor applications for our July Spectacular are now open. The link can be found on the website or our FB page.
- 5) April is Beautification Month. Take time to beautify your home, inside and out, and we encourage businesses to beautify their properties as well. Unlimited garage sales during the month of April.
- 6) The Second Grade Tours of the City, are Elementary schools Mayfield, Lowe, Godwin, and Lacy will tour city facilities, will occur April 12th, 14th, 17th, and 21st.
- 7) Celebrate Earth Nite in the Park April 22nd, 6 PM at the Princeton Municipal Park.
- 8) Station #4 in Branch is Operational and being staffed.
- 9) The first Citizen Fire Academy will start April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor **Chacón** then announced the City Council reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken. Free Kona Ice on Tax Day. Kona Ice will be at the Municipal Center on April 18<sup>th</sup>, from 11-1 giving out free snow cones. Come get you a free snow cone!

Mayor **Chacón** asked for a motion of adjournment of the meeting.

Councilmember **Washington** made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tempore

**Deffibaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.**

  
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Brianna Chacón, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Amber Anderson, City Secretary

