

**City of West Orange
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Special Session**

**West Orange Community Center
2700 Western Avenue (rear entrance)
West Orange, Texas
5:00 P.M.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Roy McDonald Dale Dardeau Shirley Bonnin
Michael Shugart, Sr. Frances Lopez Randy Branch

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mike Stelly Dean Fuller Theresa Van Meter
Rex Peveto

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dan Perrine Dave Rogers Jay Odom
Mike Van Meter

Call to Order

Mayor McDonald called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin gave the invocation. The mayor then led in the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

Consent Agenda

Discussion and Possible Action on approval of the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Council Meeting, as well as proclaiming February as “Fair Housing Month” in the City of West Orange – These minutes were unanimously approved by Council vote after a motion was made by Council Member Lopez, followed by a second from Council Member Dardeau, who then made a motion that February be proclaimed “Fair Housing Month” in West Orange. Council Member Lopez seconded his motion. This proclamation was then unanimously passed by vote of council.

Regular Session

Discussion and Possible Action on submitting into record the 2018 Racial Profiling Report as submitted by the WOPD – Council Member Dardeau made a motion that the 2018 Racial Profiling Report as submitted by the West Orange Police Department be accepted into record as presented. Council Member Branch seconded his motion. Chief Stelly explained that it is a requirement that this report be filed, presented to, and accepted by, the Council. The mayor then called for a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on authorizing the mayor to sign a waiver allowing the Orange County Mosquito Control District to fly at low altitudes over the city for the application of insecticides for the abatement of mosquitoes – Council Member Lopez made a motion that the mayor be authorized to sign a waiver allowing the Orange County Mosquito Control District to fly at low altitudes over the city for the application of insecticides for the abatement of mosquitoes. This motion was seconded by Council Member Dardeau. A vote on the motion was then taken, passing unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on repealing Ordinance 147 and replacing it with Ordinance 147-A, and ordinance dealing with trash and litter - Council Member Dardeau made a motion that Ordinance No. 147 be repealed in its entirety and be replaced with Ordinance No. 147-A. This motion received a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin. Mayor McDonald explained that the only change from No. 147 to No. 147-A was that 147-A allows the fines to be in accordance with state law, rather than at a set amount. This will alleviate the need to come back later and change that section again. With there being no further discussion, he then called for a vote on the motion, which was unanimously passed by council.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution regarding a Homeland Security (LETPA) grant - A motion to pass a resolution of support pertaining to a Homeland Security Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Assistance (LETPA) grant was presented by Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin. This motion received a second from Council Member Dardeau. A vote was cast, with a unanimous vote to pass.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution regarding a Homeland Security grant - A motion to pass a resolution of support pertaining to a different Homeland Security grant was presented by Council Member Dardeau. This motion received a second from Council Member Branch. Mayor McDonald called for a vote on this motion, which unanimously passed.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution regarding the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program – Council Member Dardeau made a motion that a resolution of support be passed regarding the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program. Council Member Lopez seconded this motion. Chief Stelly explained that the purpose of this grant is to assist in providing departments with necessary enforcement equipment. This motion was then unanimously passed by vote of council.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution in support of legislation that would allow only property owners and/or property tax payers to vote in a school district bond election - A motion to pass a resolution of support of legislation that would allow only property owners and/or property tax payers to vote in school district bond elections was presented by Council Member Shugart. This motion received a second from Council Member Dardeau, who then stated that it has been unconstitutional for people who do not pay taxes to be able to put more taxes on those who do. Mayor McDonald explained that this resolution will be presented to the State and hopefully will gain some traction, but the first step is approval by the council before he can take it any further. He then called for a vote on the motion. A unanimous vote was cast approving the motion in support of this resolution.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution designating authorized signatories for contractual documents and documents for requesting funds pertaining to the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) #7218509 – Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin made a motion that a resolution be passed authorizing the Mayor and Public Works Director to execute contractual documents between the City and the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) in matters pertaining to the 2018 Texas Community Development Block Grant #7218509, and to further authorize the Mayor, Public Works Director and City Secretary to execute the Purchase Vouchers and Requests for Payments for said grant. This motion was seconded by Council Member Dardeau.

Discussion and Possible Action on authorizing the City Secretary to open the checking account for necessary financial transactions associated with Texas Department of Agriculture/Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) #7218509, and to designate authorized signatories for said account - A motion was made by Council Member Lopez that the City Secretary be authorized to open a checking account for the purpose of handling the necessary financial transactions associated with Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)/Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) #7218509, and to designate as authorized signatories the Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem, City Secretary and Public Works Director. This motion was seconded by Council Member Dardeau. With there being no discussion, the mayor called for a vote, with the motion passing unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on adopting/reaffirming Civil Rights Resolution, Citizen Participation Plan, Section 3 Policy, Excessive Force Policy, 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures, Code of Conduct Policy, Limited English Proficiency Plan and Fair Housing Policy as required by TxCDBG #7218509 and approve civil rights/fair housing ads for publication – Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin made a motion that each of these documents be adopted or reaffirmed, as applicable, as required by TxCDBG #7218509. Council Member Dardeau seconded her motion. Council then voted unanimously to pass the motion as presented.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution authorizing the submittal of a 2019/20 TxCDBG application to the Texas Department of Agriculture, authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's representative in all matters pertaining to the application, and committing local matching funds – Council Member Dardeau moved that this resolution be authorized, regarding the submission of a 2019/20 TxCDBG application to the Texas Department of Agriculture, authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's representative in all matters pertaining to the application, and committing \$61,641 in local matching funds. Mayor Pro-Tem Bonnin seconded his motion. Council Member Shugart expressed his appreciation to Chief Stelly for his work toward obtaining these grants. Chief Stelly then explained that these local matching funds would be paid from the street tax funds, as all work would be done on existing roadways.

Mayor McDonald then called for a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on a resolution to amend and add action items in the Hazard Mitigation Plan and authorizing the Emergency Management Coordinator to execute necessary documents - Council Member Dardeau made a motion to pass the resolution to amend and add action items in the Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented and to further authorize the Emergency Management Coordinator to execute any necessary

documents in doing so. Council Member Lopez seconded his motion. With there being no discussion on the matter, the mayor called for a vote. The motion was unanimously passed as presented.

Announcements

The mayor announced that the next Council meeting was scheduled for March 11, 2019 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With there being no further business before Council, Mayor McDonald adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.



Roy McDonald, Mayor

ATTEST:



Theresa Van Meter, City Secretary

