

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Burkburnett, Texas, met in a Special-Called Meeting on Friday, December 4, 2020, at noon at City Hall-Council Chambers, 501 Sheppard Road, Burkburnett, Texas. The meeting was open to the public, with notice being given in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. The following Commissioners were present:

Carl Law	Mayor
Ted Kwas	Commissioner, Place 1
Randy Brewster	Commissioner, Place 2
Mike Tugman	Commissioner, Place 3
John Beard	Commissioner, Place 4
Marguerite Love	Mayor Pro-Tem, Commissioner, Place 5
Bill Lindenborn	Commissioner, Place 6 (<i>arrived at 1:10 p.m.</i>)

Others present were: Ron Hobbs, President, Architecture & Interior Design; Lawrence Cutrone, City Manager; Margie Poole, City Clerk; and Harold Watkins, Jr., Fire Chief.

Present in the City Hall Lobby were: Wadona Stich, Partner, Architecture & Interior Design; Trish Holley, Director of Administration; and Fred Tillman, Chief of Police.

ITEM 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: MAYOR CARL LAW

Mayor Law called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

ITEM 2. INVOCATION

Commissioner Brewster gave the invocation.

ITEM 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Tugman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 4. Discuss and take any action necessary on the Ron Hobbs Architecture pre-design services agreement to renovate the Community Center into a Fire Station.

Mr. Lawrence Cutrone, City Manager, addressed the Mayor and Commissioners, stating that Fire Stations 1 and 2 have met life expectancy. Fire Chief Watkins updated the Board on the current state of the two Fire Stations.

In response to Mayor Pro-Tem Love's question regarding having only one Fire Station, Chief Watkins confirmed that if staffing was available to respond, response times, within the City limits, could still be met with one Fire Station in the Community Center area.

Mr. Ron Hobbs, President, Architecture & Interior Design, then presented the proposal for renovating the Community Center into a Fire Station to the Mayor and Commissioners. The discussion then focused on the availability of parking and funding/budgeting of the renovation project.

No action was taken, and it was agreed to postpone further discussion of this agenda item until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ITEM 5. Discuss and take any action necessary on the Ron Hobbs Architecture pre-design services agreement for the demolition of the old Police Department building and Fire Stations 1 and 2 to construct an Events Center in the Downtown District.

Mr. Ron Hobbs, President, Architecture & Interior Design, then presented the proposal for constructing an Events Center in the Downtown District to the Mayor and Commissioners. The discussion then focused on the availability of parking, downtown revitalization plans, funding/budgeting of this project, and the project's timing versus the current Community Center's renovation into a Fire Station. Additional discussion focused on the ownership/availability of the properties proposed in the Events Center's construction and whether other areas in the downtown area were considered.

No action was taken, and it was agreed to postpone further discussion of this agenda item until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ITEM 6. Discuss and take any action necessary on the Budget Amendment for the pre-design services agreements of renovation of the Community Center into a Fire Station and the construction of an Events Center in the Downtown District.

Mr. Lawrence Cutrone, City Manager, addressed the Mayor and Commissioners, stating that this item will be for discussion only as the ordinance number and caption were not included on the agenda.

No action was taken, and it was agreed to postpone further discussion of this agenda item until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ITEM 7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no Commissioners' comments.

ITEM 8. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Tugman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lindenborn, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Carl Law, Mayor

ATTEST:

Margie Poole, City Clerk