



**M OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WHITE SETTLEMENT, TEXAS**

6:30 PM – August 10, 2021

City Hall – Council Chambers

214 Meadow Park Drive, White Settlement, TX 76108

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of members present as follows: Council Member Paul Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Evelyn Spurlock, and Council Member Amber Munoz attended via zoom due to work schedules and illness. Council Member Christina Grudzinski, and Council Member Gregg Geesa attended in person.

Executive Staff present included City Manager Jeffrey J. James and City Secretary Amy Arnold. Other staff present included Executive Administrative Assistant Ann Elias, Community Services Director Rich Tharp, Finance Director Krystal Crump (Foght), Building Official Robert Nunley, Police Chief J. Bevering, Fire Department Captain/EMT John Warren, City Marshal Randy Rogers, and Communications Manager Aaron Hall.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor White offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Prior to acknowledging speakers, Mayor White made the following statement:

The purpose of this item is to allow citizens an opportunity to address the City Council on items that are not listed on the agenda, as well as any consent agenda, executive session, or workshop items. Any person desiring to make a public comment must first fill out a speaker request form, and be recognized by the presiding officer. Individual citizen comments are limited to three minutes. The City Council has no obligation to respond in any manner to comments or questions from the public. Any response from a member of the City Council to comments on items not listed on the agenda is limited to a statement of specific factual information, a recitation of existing policy, or direction to staff to place the subject on the agenda for a future City Council meeting.

Patricia England of 852 McCully addressed the City Council regarding a city name change and the budget.

DELIBERATION AGENDA

- 1) Discuss and consider Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Effective and Proposed Tax Rate and take a Record Vote.

Finance Director Krystal Crump (Foght) presented the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Effective and Proposed Tax Rate explaining the proposed rate of .741795 as the highest allowed for consideration without an election, mentioning Tarrant County certified, demographic changes in the area, tax rate history, housing report, appraised and taxable values and changes in the budget including staff, new construction in the area, taxable values by category, exemptions, difference between market and appraised values, and source of new revenue. **Presentation will be attached to adopted minutes.*

Council Member Moore made a motion to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Effective and Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.741795 as presented. Council Member Grudzinski seconded the motion. City Secretary Amy Arnold took a record vote as follows:

Council Member Moore confirmed he heard and understood the information, voting Aye

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock confirmed she heard and understood the information, voting Aye

Council Member Munoz confirmed she heard and understood the information, voting Aye

Council Member Grudzinski confirmed she heard and understood the information, voting Aye

Council Member Geesa confirmed he heard and understood the information, voting Aye

**After item 1, Council Member Munoz left the meeting to return to work and Council Member Moore left the meeting due to illness. A quorum remained.*

- 2) Hold a Public Hearing and consider a request to amend the land use map for property known as 111 & 113 Russell Street, from Low Density Residential to High Density Residential.

Building Official Robert Nunley introduced the item by explaining the current zoning and proposed zoning, noting the item was presented to, reviewed and denied by Planning and Zoning on July 20, 2021. Mr. Nunley explained that if this amendment is approved, and the following item is denied, the amendment still stands.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Layton of 112 Russell Street, Carla Potter of 119 Russell Street, and Patricia England of 852 McCully Street addressed city council in favor opposition to the item each stating concerns of traffic, noise, neighborhood aesthetics and safety. With there being no further speakers, Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 6:54 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock stated the request does not fit in with the adopted comprehensive plan and made a motion to deny the item. Council Member Grudzinski seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

- 3) Hold a Public Hearing and consider a request to rezone Lots 14A and 14B of Block 12 Sunset Gardens Addition, more commonly known as 111 Russell Street and 113 Russell Street, currently zoned R-6 to be rezoned R-V.

Building Official Robert Nunley introduced the item by explaining the current zoning and request for 15 units and one office space at the described location. Mr. Nunley noted the item was presented to, reviewed and denied by Planning and Zoning on July 20, 2021.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 6:57 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Layton of 112 Russell Street and Carla Potter of 119 Russell Street addressed city council again in opposition to the item. With there being no further speakers, Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 6:59 p.m.

Council Member Grudzinski mentioned the item does not conform to the comprehensive plan and appreciated hearing citizen comments prior to making a motion to deny the item. Council Member Geesa seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

- 4) Hold a Public Hearing and consider a request to replat Lot 1R1 and Lot 1R2 of Block 1, West Hill Meadows Addition, more commonly known as 101 S Jim Wright Freeway.

Building Official Robert Nunley introduced the item by explaining the current and requested plat. Mr. Nunley explained staff and the city engineer have approved the item with recommendation to approve. Mr. Nunley noted the item was presented to and approved by P&Z and clarified the location.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. No speakers were heard, therefore, Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock made a motion to approve the item. Council Member Grudzinski seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further action, Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Approved this 7th day of September, 2021



Ronald A. White, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Arnold, City Secretary

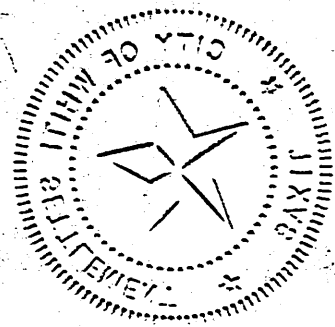


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