

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION HELD February 18, 2021. The City Council of the City of Crowley, Texas met in Work Session on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 6:30 pm in the City Council Chambers, 201 East Main Street, Crowley City Hall, Crowley, Texas.

Present were Mayor Billy P. Davis
Council Member Johnny Shotwell, City Council Place 1
Council Member Jerry Beck, City Council Place 2
Council Member Jesse Johnson, City Council Place 3
Mayor Pro-Tem Carl T. Weber III, City Council Place 4
Council Member Jimmy McDonald, City Council Place 5
Council Member Christine Gilbreath, City Council Place 6

City staff included: Asst City Mngr/Finance Director, Lori Watson
Asst City Mngr/EDC Director, Jack Thompson
City Secretary, Carol Konhauser
Fire Chief, Pleasant Brooks
Public Works Director, Mike Rocamontes
Community Services Director, Cristina Winner

Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Mayor Billy Davis called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m. City Secretary Carol Konhauser called roll and noted a quorum was present.

DISCUSSION OF NON-ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Receive a presentation from Livable Plans and Code/Urbex regarding the review of the City's Development Regulations and receive input and guidance from City Council.**

Due to the weather and road conditions, Livable Plans postponed the presentation.

- 2. Discuss construction and funding of Fire Station #1 and receive guidance from City Council.**

Assistant City Manager Jack Thompson explained that after hiring a contract to design the new Fire Station #1, it was determined that the cost to build a facility greatly exceed the bond amount issued. He explained that material costs have gone up since the debt was originally issued and additional needs such as structural foundation, upgraded metal/insulation walls, generator, fencing and upgraded bay doors were not included in the initial rough estimate. The initial project budget was in the amount of \$3,500,000. Mr Thompson explained the new estimated budget is \$4,700,342, which is an increase of \$1,200,342. He further explained that he was bringing this to council to request their guidance and to see if they would be in favor of proceeding with a budget increase, or if they would desire another option.

Mr David Dumas from Quorum came forward and discussed the various construction costs and explained that they looked at cutting back where ever possible, and just could not get it down to the \$3,500,000 budget.

Council Member Gilbreath stated that she was concerned that if council agreed to move forward with this increase, would staff come back later to request an additional increase? Mr Thompson and Mr Dumas both stated they did not believe that to be the case.

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Lori Watson stated that interest rates are very low right now and there would probably be a likelihood of issuing more debt this summer, she also stated it could be funded out of reserve funds.

Council all voiced that they did not want to cut corners on the construction of a new Fire Station and they all desired to move forward with the increased budget.

3. Submission of our Annual Report and Racial Profiling Report for 2020.

Due to the weather and road conditions, Council was asked to review the report and if they have any questions, to please contact Chief Kit Long.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the regular meeting held February 4, 2021.

No discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. None.

CITY BUSINESS

1. Discuss and consider a bid award in the amount of \$191,580.00 to Tex-Pro Construction, LLC., for South Beverly and Race Street utility improvements and authorizing the City Manager to execute said contract.

No discussion.

2. Discuss and consider approving Resolution R02-2021-348, reappointing certain directors of the Karis Municipal Management District of Tarrant County.

No discussion

3. Discuss and consider approving Ordinance 02-2021-422, an Ordinance of the City of Crowley, abandoning a portion of Hampton Rd right-of-way, south of Blue Gill Ln.

No discussion

4. Discuss and consider the purchase and installation of a commemorative plaque for USS SHASTA AE-33 Anchor.

No discussion

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, the work session was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION HELD February 18, 2021. The City Council of the City of Crowley, Texas met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers, 201 East Main Street, Crowley City Hall, Crowley, Texas.

Present were Mayor Billy P. Davis
Council Member Johnny Shotwell, City Council Place 1
Council Member Jerry Beck, City Council Place 2
Council Member Jesse Johnson, City Council Place 3
Mayor Pro-Tem Carl T. Weber III, City Council Place 4
Council Member Jimmy McDonald, City Council Place 5
Council Member Christine Gilbreath, City Council Place 6

City staff included: Asst City Mngr/Finance Director, Lori Watson
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City Secretary, Carol Konhauser
Fire Chief, Pleasant Brooks
Public Works Director, Mike Rocamontes
Community Services Director, Cristina Winner

Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

Mayor Billy Davis called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 p.m. City Secretary Carol Konhauser called roll and noted a quorum was present.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Council Member Jesse Johnson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

1. **None.**

CONSENT AGENDA

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1. **Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the regular meeting held February 4, 2021.**

Council Member Christine Gilbreath made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda item(s), second by Council Member Jimmy McDonald; council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **None.**

CITY BUSINESS

1. **Discuss and consider a bid award in the amount of \$191,580.00 to Tex-Pro Construction, LLC., for South Beverly and Race Street utility improvements and authorizing the City Manager to execute said contract.**

Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to approve the bid award in the amount of \$191,580.00 to Tex-Pro Construction for the South Beverly and Race Street utility improvement project, second by Council Member Jerry Beck, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Discuss and consider approving Resolution R02-2021-348, reappointing certain directors of the Karis Municipal Management District of Tarrant County.

Council Member Christine Gilbreath made the motion to approve Resolution R02-2021-348, second by Council Member Carl Weber, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0

3. Discuss and consider approving Ordinance 02-2021-422, an Ordinance of the City of Crowley, abandoning a portion of Hampton Rd right-of-way, south of Blue Gill Ln.

Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to approve Ordinance 02-2021-422, second by Council Member Jimmy McDonald, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0

4. Discuss and consider the purchase and installation of a commemorative plaque for USS SHASTA AE-33 Anchor.

Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to approve the installation of the commemorative plaque for the USS SHASTA AE-33 Anchor, second by Council Member Jimmy McDonald, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0

ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Reports/appointments or reappointments.

1. Reports:
None

2. Appointments/Reappointments:
None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Davis asked if there were any citizens or visitors wishing to speak.

Carol Hampton, 205 N Oak St, came forward and discussed her concerns regarding the recent winter storm emergency response and her desire to create an emergency response team. She stated that she hoped the community, along with the City, could form a "coalition" to respond during an unforeseen emergency.

Phil Hampton, 205 N Oak St, discussed his hopes that City Council would ensure they discussed the recent winter emergency with county and state legislature.

Mike Winterbanks, 213 Wilson, stated although he knew it was out of the City's control, had been without power for several days.


Terri Horn, Crowley Chamber of Commerce, stepped forward and recognized several citizens for their efforts in assisting others in need.


ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Davis then asked if there were any community interest items.

As there was no further business, Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

ATTEST:


Billy Davis, Mayor


Carol C. Konhauser, City Secretary