

CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 120 S. CHENANGO STREET, ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515 TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ANGLETON CITY COUNCIL IN THE ORDER THEY OCCURRED DURING THE MEETING. THE CITY COUNCIL OF ANGLETON, TEXAS CONVENED IN A MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Wright called the Council Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor John Wright
Vacant Position No. 3
Council Member Cecil Booth
Council Member Mark Gongora
Council Member Travis Townsend
Council Member Christiene Daniel

City Manager Chris Whittaker City Secretary Michelle Perez City Attorney Judith ElMasri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gongora led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Council Member Booth led the invocation.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS CITY COUNCIL

There were no speakers.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Ceremonial Presentation of outgoing Mayor, Jason Perez.

Mayor Wright presented outgoing Mayor Jason Perez with a crystal heart, name plate and presented his wife, Nicki Perez, with flowers. Each of the Council Members spoke of Jason Perez. Mr. Perez spoke on the appreciation for each of the Council Members and staff.

- 2. Presentation of National Public Works Week Proclamation.
 - Mayor Wright presented the Proclamation to Jeff Spears, Director of Public Works and Hector Renteria, Assistant Director of Public Works.
- 3. Ceremonial Presentation of May 2023 Keep Angleton Beautiful Yard of the Month and Business of the Month.

Tracy Delesandri, Keep Angleton Beautiful Chairwoman, presented the Yard of the Month to Duke and Renee Blessing at 605 Cotharn Street and Business of the Month to The Dirty South at 116 N. Velasco Street.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4. Discussion and possible action on a variance to waive fees for the Angleton Girls Softball Association (AGSA) Mass Gatherings permit for the 2023 USA Softball 8U State Tournament and authorization to close Bates Park to the public.
- 5. Discussion and possible action to award RFP 2023-01 Wimberly Street Water Line Replacement to Branch Construction Group, LLC.
- 6. Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by Ellen Eby on behalf of Peach Street Farmers Market to obtain permission to close the 200 block of East Peach St. on the evenings of June 9th and June 10th, 2023, from 5-10:30 PM for the Annual Singer Songwriters Festival.
 - Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Gongora, Council pulled all consent agenda items (Items No. 4, 5, & 6) for discussion. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.
- 4. Discussion and possible action on a variance to waive fees for the Angleton Girls Softball Association (AGSA) Mass Gatherings permit for the 2023 USA Softball 8U State Tournament and authorization to close Bates Park to the public.
 - Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Gongora, Council approved a variance to waive fees for the Angleton Girls Softball Association (AGSA) Mass Gatherings permit for the 2023 USA Softball 8U State Tournament and authorization to close Bates Park to the public. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.
- 5. Discussion and possible action to award RFP 2023-01 Wimberly Street Water Line Replacement to Branch Construction Group, LLC.
 - Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Booth, Council *tabled* awarding RFP 2023-01 Wimberly Street Water Line Replacement to Branch Construction Group, LLC. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.
- 6. Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by Ellen Eby on behalf of Peach Street Farmers Market to obtain permission to close the 200 block of East Peach St. on the evenings

of June 9th and June 10th, 2023, from 5-10:30 PM for the Annual Singer Songwriters Festival.

Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Booth, Council approved a request submitted by Ellen Eby on behalf of Peach Street Farmers Market to obtain permission to close the 200 block of East Peach St. on the evenings of June 9th and June 10th, 2023, from 5-10:30 PM for the Annual Singer Songwriters Festival. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS

7. Conduct a public hearing, discussion, and possible action on Ordinance No. 20230523-007 rezoning 13.002 acres from the (SF-6.3) Single Family Zoning District to the Planned District (PD), SFA, Single Family Attached base zoning district for property located at 710 W. Mulberry St., west of N. Walker St.

Presentation was provided by Otis Spriggs, Director of Development Services.

Upon a motion by Council Member Booth and seconded by Council Member Townsend, Council opened the public hearing at 6:40 P.M. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Donald Brown, Angleton resident, addressed Council and stated he is speaking against the item. Mr. Brown lives on North Walker Street, and it is his understanding that there will be an egress into Walker Street and addressed the concerns of school traffic and school buses. Mr. Brown stated he is also concerned about the drainage and the rise in taxes.

Corey Boyer, developer, addressed Council and stated that the subdivision is already scheduled for 41 homes. He stated he knows the City is not looking for density but for a community and that is what he is providing.

Tanner Sartin, Angleton resident, addressed Council and stated he lives on South Walker Street and agrees with the statements of Mr. Brown on the egress, that the egress has not been adequately surveyed on North Walker Street onto 35.

Joe Gonzales, Angleton resident, addressed Council and stated he lives on North Walker and is speaking against the item. Mr. Gonzalez stated he is concerned about the traffic specifically in the morning with residents trying to get to work and school.

Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Booth, Council closed the public hearing at 6:50 P.M. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Council shared their concerns of the density, parking, and homes not being consistent with the other homes in the area.

Upon a motion by Council Member Townsend and seconded by Council Member Booth, Council moved to deny Ordinance No. 20230523-007 rezoning 13.002 acres from the (SF-6.3) Single Family Zoning District to the Planned District (PD), SFA, Single Family

Attached base zoning district for property located at 710 W. Mulberry St., west of N. Walker St. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Discussion and possible action on a contract with Central Square for the purchase of a records management system for the Police Department.

Upon a motion by Council Member Gongora and seconded by Council Member Daniel, Council moved to approve a contract with Central Square for the purchase of a records management system for the Police Department subject to the approval of the grant. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Council recessed for a break at 7:12 P.M. and returned at 7:23 P.M.

9. Presentations by candidates who completed an application to fill the unexpired term of Council Member, Position 3.

Each candidate spoke on the following questions that were provided beforehand. 1. Why are you interested in serving on the City Council? 2. What are the primary issues facing the City of Angleton? 3. If selected, do you seek to run for re-election next year?

Mindy Burch addressed Council and stated she has lived in Angleton her entire life and would like to serve to make others proud of the city also. She stated that she has a procurement background that will be an asset to the city. Ms. Burch shared her concerns regarding failing infrastructure, safety, beautification, and reasonable growth within the city. She stated that would run for re-election.

Gary Dickey addressed Council and stated he is former military and has decided to run because it is a disservice to the community if you can run and don't run. Mr. Dickey shared his concerns regarding lot sizes, drainage issues, and property taxes on a county level within the City. He stated he would run for re-election.

Faye Gordon addressed Council and stated she has been a resident in Angleton for 44years. She stated she is interested in serving because she has seen the transformation of the City where people thought it was a bedroom community and has evolved into a vibrant diverse city. Ms. Gordon stated she can bring communication to the table; she communicates well with everyone. Ms. Gordon shared her concerns regarding infrastructure, economic development, and the tax base within the city.

Andrew Heston addressed Council and stated he would like to serve because he is a local government nerd as member of the District Attorney's office Civil Division. He stated he has a decent idea of the ins and outs of local government and mechanics and would be able to hit the ground running. Mr. Heston shared his concerns regarding development and infrastructure within the city. He stated he would re-run for election.

Jaime Moreno addressed Council and stated he has spent 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ of his 44 years of life in Angleton and is interested in serving on Council as he is serving on the Parks and Recreation Board, Angleton Better Living Corporation and has served on the Charter

Review Commission. He stated if he is going to live in Angleton and it is his home then he needs to serve and give back as much as he can. Mr. Moreno shared his concerns regarding connect ability of roads, sidewalks and digitally sound infrastructure. He stated he would run for re-election.

Terry Roberts addressed Council and stated he is interested in the City Council position so he can be involved and donate time back to the city and feels his engineering background will contribute to the City Council. Mr. Roberts shared his concerns regarding infrastructure and growth in moderation. He stated he would run for reelection.

Tanner Sartin addressed Council and stated he would like people to enjoy Angleton as he did, and his intent would be for preservation. Mr. Sartin shared his concerns regarding low income and subsidized developments in Angleton and is not interested in encouraging it and concerns of inorganic growth. He stated he would run for reelection.

Blaine Smith addressed Council and stated he has been born and raised in Angleton and currently serves on two boards for the City. He would like to be able to serve and set an example. Mr. Smith shared his concerns regarding a failing infrastructure and revitalization/beautification. He stated he would run for re-election.

Brandon Turner addressed Council and stated he has lived and was raised in Angleton for 34 years. He would like to be on the council to be a voice and an example for his children. He shared his concerns regarding infrastructure and growth. He stated he would run for re-election.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council convened into executive session at 8:36 P.M. pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained therein:

10. Discussion and possible action on personnel matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. (Council Member, Position 3)

OPEN SESSION

The City Council will now adjourn Executive Session, reconvened into Open Session at 9:45 P.M. pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code and take action, if any, on item(s) discussed during Closed Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Council Member Booth and seconded by Council Member Daniel, Council approved appointing Terry Roberts to City Council Position No. 3 for an unexpired term to end May 2024. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 P.M.

These minutes were approved by Angleton City Council on this the 8th day of August, 2023.

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS

John Wright

Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Perez, TRMC

City Secretary