

CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Public Safety Training Room, Police Station, 7286 Dietz Elkhorn, Fair Oaks Ranch

Live Stream: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDqRvLvReqxrh1lbajwshKA/live>

MINUTES

OPEN MEETING

1. Roll Call - Declaration of a Quorum

Council Present: Mayor Maxton and Council Members: Rhoden, Olvera, Koerner, and Parker

Council Absent: Council Member Stroup

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

CITIZENS and GUEST FORUM

3. Citizens to be heard

Aaron Matlock, resident, addressed concerns about pedestrian safety at the crosswalk connecting Elkhorn Ridge, Front Gate, and Van Raub Elementary, located at the 4-way stop at Dietz Elkhorn and Elkhorn Ridge. He shared that his family was nearly struck by a motorist who failed to see them. He noted that the reflective paint on the crosswalk is barely visible, there is no signage indicating a pedestrian crossing, nor is a crossing guard assigned to the intersection. Mr. Matlock noted the disparity between resources provided to Fair Oaks Ranch Elementary and Van Raub Elementary, and asked Council to enhance crosswalk visibility with reflective paint, lighting, and signage, extend the school zone west on Dietz Elkhorn to include the intersection, and assign a crossing guard to the intersection. He emphasized that these measures would improve driver awareness and ensure equitable resources for both elementaries.

Mayor Maxton read a letter from Marc and Brandi Friberg, residents, supporting the full closure of Noble Lark or implementing a right-turn-only restriction. The Fribergs have been collecting traffic data using a personal electronic counter since the street's reopening and provided access to their data on the Telraam.net webpage.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Presentation of the Alamo Chapter Clerk of the Year Award by the Alamo Chapter of TMCA, Inc. to City Secretary, Christina Picioccio

Mayor Maxton announced that this item has been postponed to the next meeting due to the presenter's inability to attend this meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 5. Approval of the November 21, 2024 Regular City Council meeting minutes**
- 6. Approval of the December 5, 2024 Regular City Council meeting minutes**

7. **Approval of a resolution authorizing the execution of a Purchase Order with Apollo Information Systems, Corp. for an IT assessment**
8. **Approval of a resolution to appoint Mr. Ed Barron to the Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors for a two-year term, commencing January 1, 2025, and concluding December 31, 2026**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Koerner, seconded by Council Member Olvera, to approve the Consent Agenda.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. **Consideration and possible action accepting a private donation to the City of Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Rhoden, seconded by Council Member Parker, to approve the City's acceptance of a private monetary donation to purchase equipment for the Police Department in the amount of \$2,000.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

10. **Consideration and possible action approving a resolution authorizing the execution of a Purchase Order with Innovation Network Technologies for a partial network refresh**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Koerner, seconded by Council Member Olvera, to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a Purchase Order with Innovation Network Technologies for a partial network refresh.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

11. **Consideration and possible action approving the first reading of an ordinance amending the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Rhoden, to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

12. **Consideration and possible action approving a resolution establishing an interlocal agreement with Kendall County for Detention Services and authorizing the execution of all applicable documents by the City Manager**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Koerner, seconded by Council Member Olvera, to approve a resolution establishing an interlocal agreement with Kendall County for Detention Services and authorizing the execution of all applicable documents by the City Manager.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

13. Consideration and possible action approving a resolution adopting a City of Fair Oaks Ranch Public Improvement District policy

MOTION: Made by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Olvera, to approve a resolution adopting a Public Improvement District policy.

VOTE: 5 - 0; Motion Passed.

WORKSHOP**14. Noble Lark Speed Limit**

Carole Vanzant, CPM, Assistant City Manager, facilitated a workshop with City Council on the speed limits for Noble Lark and Kalkallo. She presented a brief history of the area and summarized data collected during the period when emergency ordinances temporarily reduced the speed limit from 30 mph to 20 mph. Following the discussion, Council directed staff to draft an ordinance to permanently set the speed limit at 20 mph. The first reading of the ordinance will be presented at the January 16, 2025, City Council meeting.

REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**15. Announcements and reports by Mayor and Council Members**

Council Member Koerner acknowledged the Navy's victory in the Army vs. Navy game the previous weekend.

Mayor Maxton announced that the State of the City presentation is scheduled for 7:00 PM on January 30, 2025, at the Spring Creek United Methodist Church. He invited all residents to attend the event at no cost. Mayor Maxton reminded everyone that city offices would be closed on December 24-25, 2024, in observance of the Christmas holiday, as well as on January 1, 2025, in observance of New Years Day. The Mayor thanked all persons who contributed to the Blue Santa toy drive and announced that they filled the donation room and needed large vans and 4 patrol vehicles to transport the generous donations. Mayor Maxton also expressed gratitude to a small group of citizens for their work over three days to decorate City Hall for the holidays. The group consisted of Susie Richardson, Sharon Morrow, and Dede Manitzas. Mayor Maxton reminded everyone that the January 2, 2025, Council meeting has been canceled and the first meeting of 2025 is scheduled for January 16, 2025. Lastly, the Mayor wished everyone a happy holiday season on behalf of Council and staff.

16. Announcements by the City Manager

N/A

17. Requests by Mayor and Council Members that items be placed on a future City Council agenda

Council Member Koerner asked that the Transportation Safety Advisory Committee address the concerns that Mr. Matlock brought to Council during Citizens to be Heard.

Mayor Maxton introduced a video from the Police Department, where residents recorded officers engaging with the children of our community and helping parents with their Elf on a Shelf project. The Mayor applauded the officer's holiday spirit.

CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council convened into closed session at 7:27 PM regarding:

Sec. 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) the City Council will meet in private consultation with legal counsel to seek the advice of its attorneys about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, and/or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Government Code; to wit:

19. Discussion related to possible terms and conditions necessary to resolve disputes that have been the subject of ongoing litigation with the development commonly known as Boerne Ranch Estates, LLC, aka Fair Oaks Meadows

City Council did not convene into closed session regarding:

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18. Case No. 22-090-451; Vincent A. Caldarola, MD vs. City of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas

Sec. 551.072 (Deliberation regarding real property)

20. The City Council will meet in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property that may be considered for future location of water and wastewater system improvements.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

City Council reconvened into open session at 8:19 PM. No action was taken.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Maxton adjourned the meeting at 8:19 PM

ATTEST:



Christina Picioccio, TRMC, City Secretary



Gregory C. Maxton, Mayor