

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WEST LAKE HILLS, TEXAS
Wednesday, January 25, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Linda Anthony, Mayor Pro Tem Stan Graham Councilmembers Rhonda McCollough, Jim O'Connor, Brian Plunkett and Darin Walker.

Absent: None.

1. **Called to Order by Mayor Linda Anthony at 7:00 p.m.**
2. Citizens Communications: The City Council welcomes public comments at this point on any issue. If the issue is listed on the agenda, the speaker may choose to comment during the Citizens Communication agenda item or when the specific agenda item is taken up by the Council later in the meeting. The Council cannot respond to matters not listed on the agenda until a future meeting. Speakers must sign up with the City Secretary before speaking. Speakers shall limit their comments to five (5) minutes each.

No one spoke.

3. CONSENT AGENDA: The following items are anticipated to require little or no individualized discussion due to their nature being clerical, ministerial, mundane or routine. In an effort to enhance the efficiency of City Council Meetings, it is intended that these items will be acted upon by the City Council with a single motion because no public hearing or determination is necessary. However, a City Council Member or Citizen may request separate deliberation for a specific item, in which event those items will be removed from the consent agenda prior to the City Council voting on the consent agenda as a collective, singular item. Citizens requesting items be removed from the consent agenda must submit a written Speaker Card to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Prior to voting on the consent agenda, the City Council may add additional items that are listed elsewhere on the same agenda.
 - a. Approval of the January 11, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. City Secretary Lacie Hale.
 - b. Approval of the Public Safety Report for December 2016. Chief Gerdes.
 - c. Administration and Personnel: Discussion/decision on Ordinance 437, an ordinance of the City of West Lake Hills calling a General Election, establishing the procedure for the General Election for City Officers to be held on May 6, 2017 in the City of West Lake Hills, Texas, and providing matters relating to the election.

(Discusión/decisión de Ordenanza 437, una ordenanza de la Ciudad de West Lake Hills convocando una Elección General y estableciendo el procedimiento para la Elección General para Oficiales Municipales para ser celebrada el 6 de mayo, 2017 en la Ciudad de West Lake Hills, Texas, y proporcionando asuntos relacionados con la elección.)

MAYOR PRO TEM GRAHAM MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION OF AGENDA ITEMS #4, #5, #8, #9, #10, AND #11 FOR APPROVAL. COUNCILMEMBER O'CONNOR SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT PASSED BY 5-0 VOTE.

4. Utilities: Discussion/decision on a proposed Utility Facilities Construction and Conveyance Agreement to extend a wastewater main from 1109 Westlake Drive to 1113 Westlake Drive with one new connection (1113 Westlake Drive)
 - a. Staff Briefing.
 - b. Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - c. Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

5. Land Use: Proposed final plat at 1 Limerick Lane in the Limerick Fork Subdivision. (Chapter 36 of the West Lake Hills Code.) Applicant Eran Montoya.
 - a. Staff Briefing.
 - b. Presentation by applicant.
 - c. Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - d. Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

6. Public Safety: Discussion/decision on proposed traffic calming measures for Ridgewood Road. Councilmember Brian Plunkett.
 - a. Staff Briefing. **Councilmember Plunkett gave briefing that Ridgewood is a popular cut through and straight shot, so it have been causing issues. He presented the proposed traffic calming measures. They include three speed humps and pavement striping to narrow the road. No additional signage would be added and the estimated cost is \$40,000.**
 - b. Public Hearing: **No one spoke.**
 - c. Deliberation and action.

Council asked City Engineer Vicky Ortega about the costs, because they felt the amount was too high. She explained that the costs are mostly labor in stripping the road. Council then discussed options for bundling traffic-calming projects to get a more competitive bid.

COUNCILMEMBER WALKER MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN, AND DIRECT STAFF TO BID OUT THE PROJECT WITH COSTS NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000 FOR RIDGEWOOD ROAD, WITH THE MINIMUM OF TWO BIDS. COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT PASSED BY 5-0 VOTE.

7. Public Safety: Discussion/decision on proposed traffic calming measures for Redbud Trail, Yaupon Valley Road, and Laurel Valley Road. Mayor Linda Anthony.
 - a. Staff Briefing. **Mayor Anthony briefed that there was an existing subcommittee for Redbud Trail and residents approached her on Yaupon and Laurel Valley Road regarding traffic concerns. Councilmember Walker explained the proposed traffic calming measures on Redbud Trail. It includes four speed humps. The first one will be located right past Old Wagon Road, the second one is after Little Bend Road before Live Oak Ridge, the third is right across from 117 Redbud Trail, and the fourth one is**

located in the straight away after Kennan before Old Stonehedge. Mayor Anthony then gave a brief history on the creation of the Yaupon Valley Road and Laurel Valley Road subcommittee.

b. Public Hearing:

Mieko Akutsu of 1116 Redbud Trail, member of the Redbud Subcommittee, shared that they had identified locations for the speed pillows. The subcommittee spoke with residents about the speed pillows locations to make sure they would be ok with the location. If there were complaints about the location, the subcommittee looked for other location alternatives. Ms. Akutsu shared that they did survey 195 residents. The response rate was 40%. From that, 86% were concerned about traffic speeds, 77% wanted the City to install traffic calming measures, and 56% wanted speed pillows on Redbud Trail.

Peter Hennings of 1427 Circle Ridge is in favor of the traffic calming measures. He thanked Council for considering the stop sign at Redbud Trail and Live Oak Ridge. Considered it disappointing that it would not work out from an engineering standpoint, but the speed bumps are a great start. He asked Council about the vegetation that the residents maintain, on the sides of Redbud Trail. He likes to walk with his dog and considers it life threatening when negotiating the tight and blind turns. He asked what could be done to keep the vegetation tamed so pedestrians are not in traffic. Mr. Hennings shared that there are a few places where mowing would make a big difference to pedestrians.

Debbie Martin gave a brief presentation of why they are asking for the traffic calming measures on Yaupon Valley Road and Laurel Valley Road. A survey was sent to the 102 homes these streets and homes on the feeder roads. The survey response rate was 63%. Survey responses showed that 80% felt that speeding was an issue, 72% were in favor of putting paint on the road and speed limit signs, 66% were in favor of a permanent radar, and 53% supported speed tables. Mrs. Martin then shared the statistics collected from using a hand held radar detector and the City's speed trailer on Laurel Valley road. Speed tables are needed to slow down the traffic and if one of the streets get the traffic calming measures it is going to divert everyone down Yaupon and Laurel Valley.

Angela Hovis of 1010 Madrone thanked Debbie for getting her caught up. She does not think that anyone is happy about having speed humps. Her biggest concern is that it is going to grow to have even more. She asked Council what the overall plan was and if there could be any assurances that they are not going to get even more speed humps. A speed hump on Yaupon is really close to her property line. She asked if the speed hump ends up being a noise concern is there a possibility for it to be removed. She is sorry that we have to have them and hopes that it will not get worse but go away. She knows that residents love driving the beautiful streets without speed humps.

Jane Noble of Yaupon Valley Road asked Council to address where the speed humps and the signage are located.

Zeke Dumke of 106 Laurel shared that he is sad that traffic issues have to be addressed. For him, it is trying to get a better understanding of how much of it is reducing the speed versus reducing the amount of traffic. He echoed a

few comments, regarding the shoulder visibility being a concern and the speed hump on his property line.

Barry Aidman shared that one of the speed humps will be outside his bedroom window. He appreciates that Council would consider moving them, but he is excited about this. He thanked Debbie, and everyone working on this. It is a great example of trying to respond to a need that residents have. Mr. Aidman then shared how two individuals, speeding, have stopped to confront him. One thing great about the speed humps is that it will raise that awareness because speed humps cause people to slow down. A lot of work has gone into this and he requests, that in 6 months to a year, reevaluate to gauge if the goal was reached or if any other steps need to be taken.

c. Deliberation and action.

Mayor Anthony shared her concerns about the number of signs on these streets and asked the City Engineer Vicky Ortega if they could be bracketed by the speed humps.

Mayor Pro Tem Graham explained the location of the speed humps. Coming from the intersection of Redbud and Yaupon toward Westlake Drive, the first speed hump is just past 1420 Yaupon Valley Road, the second speed hump is at 1201 Yaupon Valley Road, third speed hump is located is short of 902 Yaupon Valley Road, next speed hump is 802 Yaupon Valley Road before the hill, fifth speed hump is approximately at 505 Laurel Valley Road, the sixth speed hump is at 307 Laurel Valley, and the final speed hump is at 106 Laurel Valley Road. Mayor Anthony asked the City Engineer to consider the signage and place them in a more visible location.

COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING PLANS, AND DIRECT STAFF TO BID OUT AS ONE PROJECT TO HAVE IT ALL DONE AT THE SAME TIME, WITH COSTS NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000 FOR REDBUD TRAIL, YAUPON VALLEY ROAD, AND LAUREL VALLEY ROAD, WITH THE MINIMUM OF TWO BIDS. MAYOR PRO TEM GRAHAM SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT PASSED BY 5-0 VOTE.

8. Land Use: Proposed site plan amendment and building permit for St. John Neumann Catholic Church at 5455 Bee Cave Road. (Section 32.03.008 of the West Lake Hills Code.) Applicant Don Sansom.
 - a. Staff Briefing.
 - b. Presentation by applicant.
 - c. Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - d. Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

9. Land Use: Commercial Wall Hanging Sign for Jackson Galloway Architects at 3520 Bee Cave Road, Suite 150. (Section 32.03.008 of the West Lake Hills Code.) Applicant Bob Galloway.
 - a. Staff Briefing.
 - b. Presentation by applicant.
 - c. Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - d. Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

10. Utilities: Discussion/decision regarding amendments to Section 18.03 of the West Lake Hills City Code regarding wastewater related utilities.
- Staff Briefing.
 - Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

11. Utilities: Discussion/decision to authorize City Administrator Robert Wood to sign an amendment to the agreement with Tyler Technology for utility billing software and implementation.
- Staff Briefing.
 - Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - Deliberation and action.

Moved to Consent Agenda for approval.

12. Administration: Update on City and other area infrastructure improvement projects including Bee Cave Road, drainage master plan, Water District 10, and Camp Craft Road. City Administrator Robert Wood.
- Staff Briefing. **Mayor Anthony shared that the Water District #10 trench on Westwood Terrace has started. City Administrator Robert Wood explained that TXDOT would install an additional traffic light on Bee Cave Road near The Hills and Belmont Village, during the expansion project.**
 - Public Hearing: **No one spoke.**
 - Deliberation and action.

Councilmember O'Connor asked if Water District #10 has money to repair the roads after their projects are complete and possibly negotiate cost-sharing options.

13. Public Works: Discussion/decision relating to proposed or potential purchase or lease of property necessary for the Bee Cave Road/RM 2244 Project, owned by Paul Jacobs Family, LLC and located at 4800 Bee Cave Road (TXDOT Parcel 8).
- Executive Session per Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 for Consultation with Attorney and 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property.
 - Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - Deliberation and action.

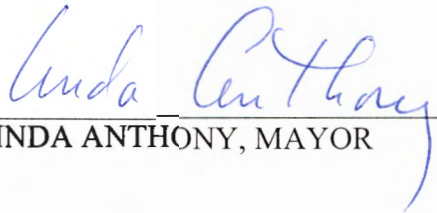
Item was not discussed.

14. Public Works: Discussion/decision regarding Commercial Building Permit and site plan for 4800 Bee Cave Road (Sections 22.02.005 and 22.03.249 of the West Lake Hills Code.)
- Staff Briefing.
 - Public Hearing: All persons wishing to speak for or against shall be heard.
 - Deliberation and action.

Item was not discussed.

15. Adjourned by Mayor Linda Anthony at 8:40 p.m.

Certificate


LINDA ANTHONY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


LACIE HALE, CITY SECRETARY

