

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 4, 2025

CITY HALL

121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Truman called the council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ronald Colbert, Robert Wilson, Clint Bass, Gina Gregory, Dale Kerstetter, Chris Evans and Matt Stamm.

Members Absent: Ben Anderson

Staff Present: Kyle Fiedler, Community Development Director
Rodney Eggleston, Public Works Director
Gage Scheer, City Engineer
Neal Owings, Parks and Public Building Director
Clint Miller, Finance Director
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk/HR Director
Brent Clark, City Administrator

Press present: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

Colbert made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: Aye Unanimous Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA –

FEBRUARY 20, 2025, CITY COUNCIL MINUTES-

Wilson moved to approve the minutes of February 20, 2025, City Council meeting as presented, seconded by Stamm. Vote Aye: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

A. NORTH MERIDIAN TREE REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Parks and Public Building Director Owings introduced Roger Stewart who was closely involved with the tree replacement project for North Meridian. Mr. Stewart reported on the timeline of the full project as well as the types and health of the trees that were removed for the project. Replacement trees are being planted with property owners selecting the appropriate tree. The final trees will be planted this spring. Stamm and Mayor Truman thanked Mr. Stewart for the report. The City of Valley Center has again received the Tree City Designation.

PUBLIC FORUM – None

APPOINTMENTS – None

OLD BUSINESS –

A. ORDINANCE 1420-25; COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTION

Community Development Director Fiedler presented for final approval Ordinance 1420-25. The ordinance adopts the 2025-2035 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Valley Center. Stamm moved to approve Ordinance 1420-25 adopting the 2025-2035 City of Valley Center Comprehensive plan for 2nd reading. Motion seconded by Evans. Vote Aye: Unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS-

A. RESOLUTION 779-25

Community Development Director Fiedler led discussion regarding a request from Carmen Martinez-Ortega for annexation of property located at 85th and Hoover. Owners would like to sub-divide the 8.68 acres into smaller 1 – 2 acres lots. Sedgwick county does not allow for smaller lots of that size. This

Resolution is the first step in the process. The resolution if passed will be sent to the County for their review and approval. Then the annexation will come back before Council for formal approval by 2 readings of Ordinance.

Wilson moved to approve Resolution 779-25 regarding the request to Sedgwick County to annex land at Lot 5, Block A in the West Valley Addition. Motion seconded by Bass. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

B. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – ABILENE LIFT STATION DESIGN

City Administrator presented an agreement for professional design services with SEH. The project consists of decommissioning the existing lift station on Abilene Avenue, rerouting the existing sanitary sewer to a new lift station site, and designing the lift station parameters for the procurement of a prefabricated lift station (pump, piping, & wet well). Funding for this agreement will be from Sewer Reserves.

Kerstetter moved to approve Professional Design Agreement with SEH for Abilene Lift Station in the amount of \$57,200.00 and authorize Mayor or City Administrator to sign. Stamm seconded the motion. Vote Aye: Unanimous. Motion carried.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Bass moved for Council to recess into executive session for preliminary discussion concerning the acquisition of real property. This will include the Mayor, Council, City Attorney and City Administrator. The open meeting will resume in the City Council Chamber in ten minutes, seconded by Gregory. Vote Yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

Executive Session began at 7:38pm

Executive Session ended at 7:48pm

Bass stated that no official action was taken.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – MARCH 4, 2025

B. DELINQUENT ACCOUNT REPORT-DECEMBER 2024

C. SPECIAL USE PARK REQUEST-L&H HOMES-APRIL 12, 2025

D. SPECIAL USE PARK REQUEST-ARK CHURCH-APRIL 2, 2025

Wilson moved, seconded by Kerstetter, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote Aye: unanimous. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR EGGLESTON

Eggleston stated that the department is working on the timing of the lights from Main to 5th Street.

He also stated the intersection of Industrial and Meridan Street should reopen on Friday. Closure of Meridian and 65th Street for the roundabout is scheduled for March 17th.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS-

MAYOR TRUMAN

Truman stated that the Rec Center is awesome. The SAC meeting will be held this Saturday, March 8th at 8:30am in the new Rec Center.

Stamm moved to adjourn, second by Kerstetter. Vote Aye: Unanimous.

ADJOURN -

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk/HR Director

