

KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING | MARCH 19, 2024 AT 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, KENNEDALE, TX 76060

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jan Joplin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: David Glover, Kenneth Michels, Bryant Griffith, Jeff Nevarez; **ABSENT:**

***STAFF:** City Manager Darrell Hull, Deputy City Secretary Ross Sanchez, Community Development Director Nathan Gonzales, Director of Finance Jonathan Horton, Library Director Elizabeth Partridge, Director of Human Resources Caroline Green, Public Works Director Kristian Sugrim, Fire Chief James Brown, Police Chief Michael Holguin, City Attorney Carvan Adkins*

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State under God; One and Indivisible."

Pastor Danny Robinson led the invocation, Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Michels led the pledges

II. VISITOR AND CITIZEN FORUM

The Lieutenant for the Arlington district of the Salvation Army, Anna Maslenikov, presented the City of Kennedale with an award of outstanding achievement for Most Funds Raised in Kennedale for the 2023 Mayoral Red Kettle Challenge.

Lydia Hudson, of the organization DFW Feral Caregivers, gave a presentation on the importance of TNR in our community. DFW Feral Caregivers donated two traps for safe practice of TNR within the city.

III. WORK SESSION

A. WORK SESSION REPORTS

1. Discussion on Veterans Memorial updates in TownCenter Park

Councilmember Bryant Griffith gave an update to the City Council regarding the Veteran's Memorial and the plans to move forward with the development.

B. DISCUSSION AND/OR REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OF ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

IV. REGULAR SESSION

A. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In addition to any items below, the Kennedale City Council, the presiding officer, and/or staff may give or receive reports regarding items of community interest, including, but not limited to, recognition of officials, citizens, staff, or departments; information regarding holiday schedules; and upcoming or attended events.

1. Updates from members of the Kennedale City Council

The councilmembers provided a brief summary of the events and meetings that they have attended during the last month.

2. Updates from the Mayor

Mayor Joplin provided an update on her attendance at events and meetings throughout the month.

3. Updates from the City Manager

There were no updates at this time

4. 2023 Annual Report from Fire Chief James Brown

Fire Chief James Brown presented the 2023 Annual Report for the Fire Department to the City Council.

5. 2023 Annual Report from Police Chief Michael Holguin

Police Chief Michael Holguin presented the 2023 Annual Report for the Police Department to the City Council.

6. 2023 Annual Report from Community Development Director Nathan Gonzales

Community Development Director Nathan Gonzales presented the 2023 Annual Report for the Community Development Department to the City Council.

7. Financial Reports for the City and/or the EDC

Finance Director Jonathan Horton presented the February 2024 financial report to the City Council.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

These matters have appeared on previous agendas, require little or no deliberation, or are considered routine or ministerial tasks. If discussion is desired, items may be removed for separate consideration.

1. Approval of the minutes from the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion: Approve

Action: Approval of the minutes from the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting after proposed corrections are made to the minutes

Moved By Councilmember Jeff Nevarez, **Seconded By** Councilmember David Glover

Motion passed unanimously

2. PZ CASE #24-07 Consider site plan approval for a new commercial building located at 535 W Kennedale Parkway, Kennedale, TX 76060

Motion: Approve

Action: PZ CASE #24-07 Consider site plan approval for a new commercial building located at 535 W Kennedale Parkway, Kennedale, TX 76060

Moved By Councilmember Bryant Griffith, **Seconded By** Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Michels

Motion passed unanimously

C. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

1. ILA for water and wastewater operation between the City of Kennedale, Texas and the City of Arlington, Texas

Motion: Approve

Action: ILA for water and wastewater operation between the City of Kennedale, Texas and the City of

Arlington, Texas

Moved By Councilmember Jeff Nevarez, **Seconded By** Councilmember David Glover
Motion passed unanimously

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. PZ CASE #24-05 To conduct a public hearing and consider a proposed zoning change request from "C-1 Commercial district" to "EC-1 Employment Center District" for approximately 0.3265 acres, Block 7, Lot 4A Less Row Block 7, of the Oak Crest Addition, located at 6704 Lindale Rd, City of Kennedale, Tarrant County, Texas

Motion: Approve

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The public hearing opened and closed at 8:09pm. There were no speakers.

Moved By Councilmember Jeff Nevarez, **Seconded By** Councilmember David Glover
Motion passed unanimously

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Jan Joplin recessed to Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

A. PURSUANT TO §551.071 — *Consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may conflict with the Open Meetings Act, including discussion of any item posted on the agenda, legal issues regarding the Open Meetings Act.*

1. Rules regarding the use of public property for political purposes
2. Rules and procedures for addressing potential conflicts of interest

B. PURSUANT TO §551.072 — *Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.*

C. PURSUANT TO §551.087 — *(1) Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision.*

D. PURSUANT TO §551.074 — *Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.*

1. Planning & Zoning appointment

VI. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, AND TAKE ACTION NECESSARY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED

Mayor Jan Joplin reconvened the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

There was no action taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Adjourn

Action: ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Jeff Nevarez, **Seconded By** David Glover

Motion passed unanimously

Mayor Jan Joplin adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

APPROVED:



MAYOR JAN JOPLIN

ATTEST:



DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY ROSS SANCHEZ