

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 2, 2019

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas and the Denton Independent School District (DISD) Board of Trustees convened in a Joint Meeting on Monday, December 2, 2019, at 11:35 a.m. at the Denton ISD Central Services Building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Gerard Hudspeth and Council Members Keely Briggs, Deb Armintor, Jesse Davis, John Ryan, and Paul Meltzer

ABSENT: None

Also present were City Manager Todd Hileman and City Attorney Aaron Leal

Members representing the Denton Independent School District (DISD) were President Barbara Burns, Vice President Mia Price, and Board Members Charles Stafford, Jim Alexander, Jeannetta Smith, and Dorothy Martinez. Also present were Superintendent Jamie Wilson and Board Attorney Randy Stout.

The meeting recessed for a short break at 11:35 a.m. to allow individuals to get their lunch and reconvened at 11:52 a.m.

WORK SESSION

- A. ID 19-2803 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on Denton Independent School District's demographic data.

The presentation was made by Rocky Gardner with Templeton Demographics on behalf of the Denton Independent School District and discussion followed.

Following discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was only for presentation purposes. Denton ISD to provide the data/classifications on the reasons why students leave the school district.

- B. ID 19-2833 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on a construction update on Denton Independent School District schools and facilities inside the City of Denton.

The presentation was made by Gary Ryan, Executive Manager of Construction, Planning & Growth for Denton Independent School District, and discussion followed.

Council Member Armintor arrived at 12:15 p.m.

Following discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was only for presentation purposes.

- C. ID 19-2804 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on construction projects, facilities, and projects included in the approved 2019 City of Denton bond program.

The presentation was made and discussion followed.

Following discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was only for presentation purposes.

- D. ID 19-2834 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the amendment of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Denton Independent School District (DISD), for Student Resource Officers (SROs).

Council Member Davis had a conflict of interest and left the meeting room.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City staff was directed to place an item for consideration at an upcoming City Council meeting for formal adoption of the Memorandum of Understanding as herein presented.

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

The City Council was invited to upcoming school events.

With no further business, the Joint Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Mayor Watts announced the City Council would continue to meet under its Special Called Meeting immediately upon arrival at City Hall, as duly posted.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, December 2, 2019, at 2:01 p.m. in the Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Gerard Hudspeth and Council Members Jesse Davis, John Ryan, Deb Armintor, and Paul Meltzer

ABSENT: Council Member Keely Briggs

Also present were City Manager Todd Hileman and First Assistant City Attorney Larry Collister

The Closed Meeting was postponed to later in the meeting as it was posted in the event City Council determined the need existed to consult with the city attorney based on discussions on Item 2.A. (DCA19-0009d). It was later determined there was no need for the consultation.

2. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. ID DCA19-0009d Consider a motion to reconsider the November 19, 2019 approval of an ordinance regarding a proposed amendment to the Denton Development Code; specifically amending Subchapters 1, 6, and 8 of the Denton Development Code, relating to applicability, gas well drilling and production reverse setbacks, definitions, and procedures; providing a cumulative clause; providing a severability clause; providing for a penalty; and providing an effective date. (DCA19-0009, Gas Wells, Hayley Zagurski)

The request for consideration was at the request of Mayor Watts who presented his reasons for doing so and discussion followed.

Mayor Watts moved to reconsider the November 19, 2019 approval of an ordinance regarding a proposed amendment to the Denton Development Code; specifically amending Subchapters 1, 6, and 8 of the Denton Development Code, relating to applicability, gas well drilling and production reverse setbacks, definitions, and procedures; providing a cumulative clause; providing a severability clause; providing for a penalty; and providing an effective date, with staff to schedule for action accordingly at a future date. Motion seconded by Council Member Ryan.

AYES (4): Mayor Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth and Council Members Davis and Ryan
NAYS (2): Council Members Armintor and Meltzer
ABSENT (1) Council Member Briggs

Discussion continued on steps needed to schedule an item to discuss and consider changes for/at an upcoming meeting. City Attorney Leal confirmed that as a result of the motion to reconsider being adopted, the affected ordinance (DCA19-009c) was not in effect.

CLOSED MEETING - NOT HELD

1. The Closed Meeting was not held. Therefore, there was no deliberation of the following item:
 - A. Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Consult with the City's attorneys to discuss legal options available, and limitations imposed, in the full or partial reconsideration of agenda item 7.C. from the City Council meeting of November 19, 2019, which previously approved an ordinance amending the 2019 Denton Development Code: to increase the reverse setback of gas wells; and to create substantive and procedural amendments mitigating certain impacts, both upon currently pending

development applications, and upon the future modification, reconstruction or expansion of any existing uses made legally nonconforming as a consequence of the increased reverse setback; where a discussion of these legal matters in an open meeting would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas.

NOT DELIBERATED

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS (CONTINUED)

Council Members expressed items of interest, congratulatory remarks and provided general announcements. Staff to provide responsive information to those requests for information as part of the Friday Report process.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.



CHRIS WATTS
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS



ROSA RIOS
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: _____



December 17, 2019