

**MIDLAND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 25, 2025**



The City Council convened in regular session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., February 25, 2025.

Council Members present: Amy Stretcher Burkes, Robin Poole, Lori Blong, Jack Ladd, John Norman, John Burkholder

Council Members absent: Brian Stubbs

Staff members present: City Manager Tommy Gonzalez, City Attorney John Ohnemiller, Deputy City Manager Morris Williams Jr., City Governance Officer/City Secretary Marcia Bentley-German

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

OPENING ITEMS

1. Invocation – Pastor Sheldon Riley, Elevate Church
2. Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENTATIONS

3. Presentation of special events, organizations, individuals, periods of time, or reports, including, but not limited to:
 - 3a. Presentation of Proclamation for “Youth in Leadership Day”.
 - 3b. Presentation by Chief of Staff Taylor Novak regarding Midland’s Merry Lights Recap, Future Programming, and needs.

Chief of Staff Taylor Novak gave a brief presentation on the positive impact of the Midland’s Merry Lights event that took place in December 2024 downtown at Centennial Park.

Mrs. Novak thanked the Downtown Parks Conservancy Board for their assistance and reported on partnerships, business impact and reviewed what’s needed for the future success of this program.

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez reported on different aspects of the interchangeability

of the light fixtures.

Midland Downtown Parks Conservancy Executive Director, Stephanie Martin, reported on features that went well and things that may be changed for another successful Merry Lights event.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. MOTION APPROVING THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:
 - 4a. REGULAR SESSION OF FEBRUARY 11, 2025
 - 4b. SPECIAL SESSION OF FEBRUARY 11, 2025
 - 4c. SPECIAL SESSION OF FEBRUARY 12, 2025
 - 4d. SPECIAL SESSION OF FEBRUARY 13, 2025
6. 2025-028 – RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF ONE HERBICIDE TRUCK FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DIVISION FROM CHEMICAL CONTAINERS, INC. FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$121,840.50 **(DISTRICT: NONE) (GENERAL SERVICES) (STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE)**
8. 024-2025 – MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 WITH VERIZON WIRELESS TELECOM INC. REGARDING CELLULAR COMMUNICATION SERVICES; SAID CHANGE ORDER TO BE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,089.14 FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES DEPARTMENT **(DISTRICT: NONE) (GENERAL SERVICES) (PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT)**
9. 2025-030 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AMMUNITION OF ASSORTED TYPES AND IN ASSORTED QUANTITIES FOR THE MIDLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE RESPECTIVE LOW BIDDERS, KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY, INC., AND SSD INTERNATIONAL, INC., FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$201,928.00 **(DISTRICT: NONE) (GENERAL SERVICES) (SET THE STANDARD FOR A SAFE AND SECURE CITY)**
11. 2025-032 – RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF MIDLAND PERSONNEL POLICIES SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT DEPARTMENT MANAGERS ENTER INTO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS APPROVED BY THE CITY MANAGER **(DISTRICT: NONE) (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT)**
14. 2025-034 – RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS TO PERMIAN DEEP ROCK OIL CO., LLC (“OPERATOR”) TO DRILL THREE OIL AND GAS WELLS LOCATED IN SECTION 14, BLOCK 39, T-1-S, T&P RR CO. SURVEY, CITY OF

MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN 1,797 FEET AND 1,837 FEET EAST OF NORTH A STREET, AND 1,827 FEET SOUTH OF WEST LOOP 250 NORTH); AND PROVIDING THAT SAID PERMITS DO NOT REQUIRE A NEW ROAD REPAIR AGREEMENT BUT SHALL BE CONSOLIDATED UNDER AN EXISTING ROAD REPAIR AGREEMENT **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (SET THE STANDARD FOR A SAFE AND SECURE CITY)**

15. 2025-035 – RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIANCES FOR THREE OIL AND GAS WELLS TO BE LOCATED CLOSER THAN 500 FEET OF AN OCCUPIED RESIDENCE OR COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE; APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS TO PERMIAN DEEP ROCK OIL CO., LLC (“OPERATOR”) TO DRILL SAID OIL AND GAS WELLS LOCATED IN SECTION 14, BLOCK 39, T-1-S, T&P RR CO. SURVEY, CITY OF MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN 878 FEET AND 913 FEET EAST OF NORTH A STREET, AND BETWEEN 1,885 AND 1,921 FEET SOUTH OF WEST LOOP 250 NORTH); AND PROVIDING THAT SAID PERMITS DO NOT REQUIRE A NEW ROAD REPAIR AGREEMENT BUT SHALL BE CONSOLIDATED UNDER AN EXISTING ROAD REPAIR AGREEMENT **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (SET THE STANDARD FOR A SAFE AND SECURE CITY)**
17. 2025-037 – RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS FINDING THAT THE STATEMENT OF INTENT FILED BY ATMOS ENERGY CORP., WEST TEXAS DIVISION (THE “COMPANY”) TO CHANGE RATES WITHIN THE CITY SHOULD BE DENIED; FINDING THAT THE CITY’S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY SECRETARY TO DELIVER THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL **(DISTRICT: ALL) (ENGINEERING SERVICES) (PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT)**
20. 2025-039 – RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING SHARLA HOTCHKISS TO THE MIDLAND DOWNTOWN PARK CONSERVANCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DELIVER A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE MIDLAND DOWNTOWN PARK CONSERVANCY **(DISTRICT 2) (PARKS AND RECREATION) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Amy Stretcher Burkes moved to approve the Consent Agenda, excluding item(s) 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 16, 18 and 19; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

The following item(s) were pulled from consent agenda and considered individually.

5. 2025-027 – RESOLUTION AWARDING THREE CONTRACTS FOR ON-CALL MOWING AND NUISANCE ABATEMENT SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO ISMAEL S. GONZALEZ DOING BUSINESS AS F281 BRUSH HOG SERVICE, ISFRAIN MORIN JR. DOING BUSINESS AS M3 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE & IRRIGATION, LLC, AND DEBORAH ADELOYE DOING BUSINESS AS IVY GAZE, LLC; EACH CONTRACT BEING FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM, WITH AN OPTION FOR THE CITY TO RENEW THE CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERM; THE TOTAL COST OF EACH CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.00 PER TERM; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT

Process Improvements Manager for Development Services, James Rawls, reported this program will allow third party contractors to conduct mowing abatements' on property owners to assist with compliance, which is the main goal. Mr. Rawls gave a presentation showing the current staff situation and an analysis of the 2024 results noting Code Enforcement had over 1,000 cases that involved mowing and/or debris abatement. Mr. Rawls reviewed an RFP that went out via the Purchasing department for three on-call contractors. The contract is for one-year with an option to renew for one-year at a limit not to exceed \$30,000 per contractor per year. Staff recommends that Council accept all three bids so that they may get on-boarded and begin mowing this spring.

Jack Ladd moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-027; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

7. 2025-029 – RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,710,000.00 FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER PRODUCTION AND TRANSMISSION FACILITIES AT THE T-BAR WELL FIELD AND THE CLEARWATER WELL FIELD TO PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER OPERATIONS, LLC D/B/A PSC WATER OPERATING COMPANY

Utilities Director Carl Craigo gave a brief overview of the item noting the operation is going great. Mr. Craigo reported on damage that occurred this past weekend but everything has worked out.

Council Member Burkholder thanked Utilities Director Carl Craigo for the work he's doing to strengthen the water supply.

Jack Ladd moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-029; seconded by John Burkholder.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

10. 2025-031 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NINTH AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS AND MIDLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, DOING BUSINESS AS MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, FOR CERTAIN MEDICAL AND WELL-BEING SERVICES; SAID AMENDMENT ADJUSTING THE ANNUAL FEE TO \$762,930.96, AND PROVIDING FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT SCREENING AND/OR POST-ACCIDENT TESTING SERVICES; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT

Council Member Amy Stretcher Burkes thanked the walk-in service at the health center.

Amy Stretcher Burkes moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-031; seconded by Jack Ladd.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

12. 2025-033 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADOPTION PARTNER AGREEMENT WITH PETSMART CHARITIES, INC., TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PETSMART CHARITIES ADOPTION PROGRAM

ITEM PULLED BY STAFF, NO ACTION TAKEN.

13. 025-2025 – MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND INTERFLIGHT GLOBAL CORPORATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$192,500.00 FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE PROCUREMENT OF NEW TENANTS FOR FACILITIES LOCATED AT THE SPACEPORT BUSINESS PARK; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR SAID AGREEMENT

ITEM PULLED BY STAFF, NO ACTION TAKEN.

16. 2025-036 – RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE CREATION OF A DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE PRESERVE MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez reported the Municipal Management District (MMD) sets up a geographical area that has a board of directors who legislate for different items to be approved within that district. The idea is to help with municipal bonds or capital improvements. There is a sunset provision included and one requirement is the board member must live within that particular district.

Council Member Burkholder emphasized this is not a tax burden.

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez reiterated this is not a tax burden and provided examples.

Mayor Blong reported this is only for the property already owned by the homeowners. The

City is not imposing anything on property owners that they are not interested in. The ownership of this organization approached the City and made the request to impose this on their own property.

Intergovernmental Relations Officer Lindsey Adams reported on different ways the board could be dissolved.

John Burkholder moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-036; seconded by Amy Stretcher Burkes.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

18. 2025-038 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, ALLOWING FOR CITY UTILIZATION OF OFFICE AND OPERATIONAL SPACE IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WING OF THE MIDLAND COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE FACILITY

Managing Director Chuck Blumenauer, gave a brief overview of the item noting the project benefits, office space, new county facility space, collaboration, food truck permitting coordination and environmental accessibility.

Mayor Blong spoke on the ongoing working relationship with the City and County to be ready for an emergency situation.

Council Member Poole thanked the County for their partnership.

John Burkholder moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-038; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

19. 026-2025 – MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SPORTS AGREEMENTS WITH THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS: BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE PERMIAN BASIN; GREATER MIDLAND FOOTBALL LEAGUE; POW5R SPORTS LEAGUE; MIDLAND JUNIOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIDLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIDLAND SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIDLAND UNITED GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION; TEXAS CRICKET CLUB; UNDER THE LIGHTS FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE; WEST TEXAS BMX; AND THE YMCA OF MIDLAND; SAID AGREEMENTS PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATIONS' ADMINISTRATION OF RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS, SPECIAL EVENTS, AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES THROUGH THE USE OF CERTAIN CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

Mayor Blong reported we need more fields.

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez reported the City is working on a plan to bring in more tournaments.

Council Member Poole thanked Parks and Recreation Director Laurie Williams for the Beal Park groundbreaking and other items.

Robin Poole moved to approve Motion No. 026-2025; seconded by John Burkholder.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Norman

ABSENT: Stubbs

SECOND READINGS

21. 10596 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IV, “BUILDING REGULATIONS”, CHAPTER 1, “BUILDING CODE”, SECTION 3, “CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO ADOPTED BUILDING CODE”, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, SO AS TO EXEMPT FROM THE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY’S BUILDING CODE (1) ONE-STORY DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES USED AS TOOL AND STORAGE SHEDS, PLAYHOUSES AND SIMILAR USES, PROVIDED THAT THE FLOOR AREA IS NOT GREATER THAN 120 SQUARE FEET, AND (2) SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS NOT MORE THAN 30 INCHES ABOVE ADJACENT GRADE, AND NOT OVER ANY BASEMENT OR STORY BELOW AND ARE NOT PART OF AN ACCESSIBLE ROUTE; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM FINE OR PENALTY OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THAT SHALL BE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD ON FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT: ALL) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (STRONG ECONOMY WITH MORE QUALITY JOBS)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10596.

John Burkholder moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10596; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

22. 10597 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IV, “BUILDING REGULATIONS”, CHAPTER 11, “RESIDENTIAL CODE”, SECTION 3, “CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO ADOPTED

RESIDENTIAL CODE”, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, SO AS TO EXEMPT FROM THE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY’S RESIDENTIAL CODE (1) ONE-STORY DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES, PROVIDED THAT THE FLOOR AREA DOES NOT EXCEED 200 SQUARE FEET, (2) WATER TANKS SUPPORTED DIRECTLY UPON GRADE IF THE CAPACITY DOES NOT EXCEED 5,000 GALLONS AND THE RATIO OF HEIGHT TO DIAMETER OR WIDTH DOES NOT EXCEED 2 TO 1, AND (3) DECKS NOT EXCEEDING 200 SQUARE FEET IN AREA, THAT ARE NOT MORE THAN 30 INCHES ABOVE GRADE AT ANY POINT, ARE NOT ATTACHED TO A DWELLING AND DO NOT SERVE THE REQUIRED EXIT DOOR; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THAT SHALL BE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT: ALL) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10597.

Jack Ladd moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10597; seconded by John Burkholder.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

23. 10598 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IV, “BUILDING REGULATIONS” OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY ADDING CHAPTER 13, “CONSTRUCTION WORK HOURS”, SO AS TO ESTABLISH PERMITTED HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WITHIN 600 FEET OF AN OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL USE OR A HOSPITAL AND PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AFTER-HOURS CONSTRUCTION PERMITS; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM FINE OR PENALTY OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00); ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THAT SHALL BE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT: ALL) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10598.

Jack Ladd moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10598; seconded by John Norman.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Stubbs

24. 10599 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOT 3, BLOCK 1, 349 RETAIL ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO C, COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BUSINESS STATE HIGHWAY 349-C (NORTH BIG SPRING STREET), APPROXIMATELY 390 FEET NORTH OF TEJAS); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (STRONG ECONOMY WITH MORE QUALITY JOBS)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10599.

Jack Ladd moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10599; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

25. 10600 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOT 7, BLOCK 11, GREENWOOD ADDITION, THIRD, FOURTH, AND FIFTH SECTIONS, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM MF-22, MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO SF-3, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF EAST WASHINGTON AVENUE AND SOUTH WEBSTER STREET); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10600.

John Norman moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10600; seconded by Jack Ladd.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

26. 10601 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOTS 6 AND 7, BLOCK 1, SNIVELY RESUBDIVISION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM C, COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO SF-1 SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF WEST FRANCIS AVENUE AND CLARK STREET); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10601.

John Norman moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10601; seconded by Jack Ladd.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

27. 10602 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 172, SOUTHERN ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM MH, MANUFACTURED HOUSING DISTRICT, IN PART, AND RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT, IN PART, TO SF-3, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH DALLAS STREET, APPROXIMATELY 125 FEET NORTH OF EAST FLORIDA AVENUE); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION (FIRST READING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2025) **(DISTRICT 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10602.

John Burkholder moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10602; seconded by John Norman.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City Council will hold public hearings on the following items:

28. 10603 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE A 15.44-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF SECTION 31, BLOCK 40, T-1-S, T&P RR CO. SURVEY, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO LI, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF STATE HIGHWAY 191, APPROXIMATELY 220 FEET WEST OF HOLDRIDGE ROAD.); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10603.

Planning Manager Landon Ochoa gave a brief overview of the item noting this is a zone change request.

Council Member Burkholder inquired if future planning will be limited with this request.

Council Member Poole had the same questions.

Council decided to defer this item for more information.

Mayor Blong opened the public hearing at 11:16 a.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

John Burkholder moved to defer the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10603; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

29. 10604 – AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR LOT 8, AND THE NORTH 39.7 FEET OF LOT 9, BLOCK 2, HUNTINGTON PLACE ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF MABERRY STREET AND SINCLAIR AVENUE), BY PERMITTING A REDUCED SIDE YARD SETBACK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE PROPERTY; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); ORDERING RECORDATION BY THE CITY SECRETARY IN THE DEED RECORDS OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION **(DISTRICT 3) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY**

OF LIFE AND PLACE)

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10604.

Planning Manger Landon Ochoa gave a brief overview of the item noting it's for a reduced side yard setback.

Mayor Blong opened the public hearing at 11:22 a.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

Jack Ladd moved to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10604; seconded by John Burkholder.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Stubbs

30. 10605 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE DESIGNATION WITH TERM FOR A 4,523-SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF LOT 18, BLOCK 1, PROVIDENCE PARK, 2ND SECTION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF NORTH MIDKIFF ROAD APPROXIMATELY 120 FEET SOUTH OF MAXWELL DRIVE), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT, ALLOWING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A BAR FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID DESIGNATION SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10605.

Planning Manger Landon Ochoa gave a brief overview of the item noting this is for an Specific Use Designation (SUD) for a bar within a shopping center. Mr. Ochoa also reported on the parking for the area.

Mayor Blong opened the public hearing at 11:26 a.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

John Norman moved to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10605; seconded by Jack Ladd.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Stretcher Burkes, Blong, Ladd, Norman, Burkholder

NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Stubbs, Poole

PUBLIC COMMENT

31. Receive public comments where individuals may address the City Council on City related issues and projects not on the present agenda. Any deliberation of or decision by the City Council regarding the item being discussed shall be limited to a motion to place the item on the agenda for a subsequent meeting. (Please limit comments to three minutes or less.)

Eliel Rosa, 3603 Humble Avenue, provided a suggestion of doing a town hall every two or three months so that citizens could interact with Council.

Mayor Blong reported we have had town halls that were poorly attended and that we have many council meetings that are standing room only. Mayor Blong also reported she appreciates the willingness to participate.

Discussion ensued about having all Council at the town hall meetings.

Chief of Staff Taylor Novak reported on having more specific type town hall meetings and the possibility of having Midland 101 classes online.

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez reported on the “little things that matter” saying that came from Council Member Burkholder.

Neville Peyton, 2624 Delano Avenue, reported she is in favor of City Council Meetings held in the evening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

32. Pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.101, the City Council will hold an Executive Session, which is closed to the public, to discuss the following matters as permitted under the following sections of the Texas Government Code:

Mayor Blong recessed the City Council meeting to go into Executive Session at 11:39 a.m.

a. Section 551.087, Deliberate Economic Development Negotiations

a.1. Discuss business prospects that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Midland, Texas, and discuss possible incentives.

b. Section 551.074, Personnel Matters

b.1. Deliberate the employment, evaluation, and duties of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Secretary, Municipal Court Presiding Judge, and Municipal Court Associate Judge.

All the business at hand having been completed, the meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED March 18, 2025.

Lori Blong, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marcia Bentley-German
City Governance Officer/City Secretary