

**MIDLAND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
June 25, 2024**



The City Council convened in regular session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., June 25, 2024.

Council Members present: Eric Davidson, Amy Stretcher Burkes, Robin Poole, Scott Dufford, Jack Ladd, John Norman

Council Members absent: Lori Blong

Staff members present: City Manager Tommy Gonzalez, City Attorney John Ohnemiller, Deputy City Manager Morris Williams Jr., Assistant City Manager Jose Ortiz

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

OPENING ITEMS

1. Invocation – Minister Mabio Gomes, Midland SDA 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 from Bhupen Agrawal regarding the Honolulu Building located at 200 West Illinois Avenue, Midland, Texas.

Bhupen Agrawal, owner of the Honolulu Building, gave a presentation and provided his vision regarding the Honolulu Building in downtown Midland. Mr. Agrawal also reported why he feels like the Honolulu Building should be purchased, such as, preserving history, beautification of downtown, location and cost savings just to name a few.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. 2024-101 – RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE GARFIELD STREET PAVING BOND PROJECT TO THE SOLE BIDDER, REECE ALBERT, INC. OF SAN ANGELO, TEXAS, AT A TOTAL COST OF \$4,187,756.14; APPROVING \$837,551.23

FOR CONTINGENCIES; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT **(DISTRICT 3) (GENERAL SERVICES) (STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE)**

6. 2024-103 – RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FIELDTURF USA, INC., THROUGH THE EQUALIS GROUP PURCHASING PROGRAM, FOR DESIGN SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIELDS 5 AND 6 AT THE SCHARBAUER SPORTS COMPLEX FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$238,892.00; APPROVING \$23,893.00 FOR PROJECT RELATED EXPENSES; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR SAID PROJECT **(DISTRICT 4) (GENERAL SERVICES) (STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE)**
7. 2024-104 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF STRING LIGHTS AND POLES FOR DOWNTOWN MIDLAND FROM WHOLESALE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY OF HOUSTON, INC. THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$305,255.67 **(DISTRICT 2) (GENERAL SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**
8. 2024-105 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OF A SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT WITH AZTECA SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR LICENSING AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT SERVICES OF CITYWORKS SOFTWARE FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT AT A TOTAL COST OF \$135,981.30 **(DISTRICT: NONE) (GENERAL SERVICES) (PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT)**
9. 2024-106 – RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIDLAND AND SILVERWING ENTERPRISES, LLC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF THE OPERATION OF THE SPACEPORT LOCATED AT MIDLAND INTERNATIONAL AIR AND SPACE PORT; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO SAID PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT **(DISTRICT 4) (AIRPORTS) (TRANSPARENT & CONSISTENT COMMUNICATION)**
10. 2024-107 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MAVERICK CIVIL & SURVEY, LLC, DBA MAVERICK ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE CONCEPTUAL AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE BEAUTIFICATION OF TWO ENTRYWAYS TO THE MIDLAND INTERNATIONAL AIR & SPACE PORT FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$109,000.00; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR SAID PROJECT **(DISTRICT 4) (AIRPORTS) (TRANSPARENT & CONSISTENT COMMUNICATION)**
11. 067-2024 – MOTION APPROVING A MASTER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE MITRE CORPORATION; SAID AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, SYSTEMS ENGINEERING, AND RELATED ADVISORY SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF COMMERCIAL SPACE AND HIGH-

SPEED FLIGHT OPERATIONS IN THE PERMIAN BASIN (DISTRICT: NONE) (CITY MANAGER) (STRONG ECONOMY WITH MORE QUALITY JOBS)

12. 068-2024 – MOTION APPROVING A PROMOTIONAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MIDLAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND SPACE FORCE ASSOCIATION, INC., TO ADVERTISE AND PUBLICIZE THE CITY OF MIDLAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING NEW AND EXPANDED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES; AND REPEALING MOTION NO. 038-2024 **(DISTRICT: NONE) (CITY MANAGER) (STRONG ECONOMY WITH MORE QUALITY JOBS)**
14. 070-2024 – MOTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,462.00 FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES; SAID GRANT FUNDS TO BE USED TO ASSIST THE CITY OF MIDLAND HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION WITH THE FUNDING AND DELIVERY OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS NECESSITIES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY ACCEPTANCE DOCUMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT SAID GRANT FUNDS INTO THE GENERAL FUND **(DISTRICT: ALL) (FIRE) (PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT)**

Scott Dufford moved to approve consent agenda items 4-14, excluding items 5 & 13; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

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

5. 2024-102 – RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH LEXIPOL LLC THROUGH SOURCEWELL, FOR A THREE-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION OF THE FIRST RESPONDER MENTAL HEALTH APPLICATION FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$146,526.60

Managing Director of Public Safety Chuck Blumenauer gave a brief overview of the item noting that it's for a mental health & wellness application which allows individuals to ask for help anonymously.

Amy Stretcher Burkes moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-102; seconded by John Norman.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

13. 069-2024 – MOTION APPROVING, WITH STAFF’S RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS, A PROPOSED PRELIMINARY PLAT OF GRASSLANDS ESTATES, SECTION 26, BEING A REPLAT OF LOT 1, BLOCK 21, GRASSLANDS ESTATES, SECTION 16, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF WEST WADLEY AVENUE AND CALLAWAY DRIVE)

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting it is a preliminary plat of the zoo area which is larger than 25 acres. Any plat larger than 25 acres must come before Council. There are no changes to the zoning and the lot dimensions do comply with the current zoning districts. No letters of objection have been received and Planning and Zoning does recommend approval.

Charles Harrington, 18 Desta Drive, Zoo Project Coordinator, reported this is actually for a zoo and not for housing. There are no plans for residential housing at this location.

John Norman moved to approve Motion No. 069-2024; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

SECOND READINGS

15. 10535 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE DESIGNATION WITH TERM FOR A 15,266-SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF LOTS 26 AND 27, BLOCK 2, 349 RANCH ESTATES, SECTION 2, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH STATE HIGHWAY 349 AND WASHITA COURT), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT, ALLOWING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A RESTAURANT 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 (FIRST READING HELD JUNE 11, 2024) **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10535.

Scott Dufford moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10535; seconded by John Norman.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Blong

16. 10536 – AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR LOT 1 AND THE EAST FIVE FEET OF LOT 2, BLOCK 5, WARWICK ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH L STREET AND SHELL AVENUE), BY PERMITTING A REDUCED SIDE YARD SETBACK ON THE EAST 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 (FIRST READING HELD JUNE 11, 2024) **(DISTRICT 3) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10536.

Robin Poole moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10536; seconded by John Norman.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

17. 10537 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOT 9, BLOCK 1, WESTOVER PLACE ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM O-1, OFFICE DISTRICT TO SF-2, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF KENT STREET AND WEST LOUISIANA 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 **(DISTRICT 3) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10537.

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs reported items 17 and 18 are for the same property owner, which is First Baptist Church. The reason they are separate items is because they are going from different zoning districts to the same district. Staff has received no letters of objection and Planning and Zoning recommends approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:28 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. 10537; seconded by Amy Stretcher Burkes.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

18. 10538 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOT 11, BLOCK 1, WESTOVER PLACE ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM 2F, TWO-FAMILY DWELLING (DUPLEX) DISTRICT TO SF-2, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF KENT STREET, APPROXIMATELY 140 FEET NORTH OF WEST LOUISIANA 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 **(DISTRICT 3) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10538.

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs reported this item was discussed along with item number 17 above and complies with the Tall City Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:30 a.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

Eric Davidson moved to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10538; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

19. 10539 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE DESIGNATION WITHOUT TERM FOR LOT 1A, BLOCK 4, PLUNK ADDITION, SECTION 10, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF GARDEN CITY HIGHWAY, APPROXIMATELY 568 FEET WEST OF ALLEN STREET), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED C, COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, ALLOWING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR AUTOMOBILE OR OTHER MOTORIZED VEHICLE SALES AND SERVICE; 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 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10539.

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting this item is for a Specific Use Designation (SUD) without term for auto sales at 1300 Garden City Highway. This item complies with the zoning code and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:32 a.m.

Ms. Diaz, 1300 Garden City Hwy, is only here to answer questions if Council has any.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed at 10:33 a.m.

John Norman moved to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10539; seconded by Amy Stretcher Burkes.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

20. 10540 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE A 6.92-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF BLOCK 1, WEST 191 INDUSTRIAL PARK, SECTION 12, AND AN 8.70-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF BLOCK 2, WEST 191 INDUSTRIAL PARK, SECTION 13, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM RR, REGIONAL RETAIL DISTRICT TO LI, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH FM 1788 AND WEST COUNTY ROAD 77); 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 4) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10540.

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting the item is for a re-zone. Planning and Zoning and staff recommend approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:36 a.m. There being no one present

wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

Robin Poole moved to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance No. 10540; seconded by Scott Dufford.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

21. 2024-108 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY USE OF LAND FOR A FARMERS MARKET ON A 4.87-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF LOT 4, BLOCK 1, PORRAS ADDITION, SECTION 3, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WEST WADLEY AVENUE, APPROXIMATELY 800 FEET EAST OF NORTH A STREET) SUBJECT TO CERTAIN SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS **(DISTRICT 3) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (STRONG ECONOMY WITH MORE QUALITY JOBS)**

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting it is for a Temporary Land Use (TLU) permit for a farmers market at 3600 North A. Street in the parking lot. The applicant has received permission from the property owner. There are no letters of objection and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:39 a.m. There being no one present wishing to speak, the public hearing was immediately closed.

John Norman moved to approve Resolution No. 2024-108; seconded by Eric Davidson.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

22. 10541 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND TO REZONE LOTS 4 AND 17, BLOCK 61, PARK AVENUE HEIGHTS ADDITION, SECTION 2, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, FROM MF-22, MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO SF-3, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH LEE STREET AND ON THE WEST SIDE OF SOUTH TYLER STREET, APPROXIMATELY 165 FEET SOUTH OF EAST CALIFORNIA 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 **(DISTRICT 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10541.

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting it is for a zone change to build a single family home. Staff has received no letters of objection and recommends approval.

Council Member Norman inquired about application fees.

Mrs. Triggs reported Council approved a resolution that allows for these fees to be waived.

Mayor Pro Tem Ladd opened the public hearing at 10:42 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. 10541; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

MISCELLANEOUS

23. 071-2024 – MOTION GRANTING C&J GENERAL CONTRACTING LLC’S APPEAL, ON BEHALF OF SIMON PROPERTIES, AND REVERSING THE BUILDING OFFICIAL’S DENIAL OF A SIGN PERMIT FOR LOT 10, BLOCK 17, SKYLINE TERRACE, UNIT 7, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH MIDKIFF ROAD AND COURTYARD DRIVE) **(DISTRICT 1) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES) (QUALITY OF LIFE AND PLACE)**

Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs gave a brief overview of the item noting it’s a request from the Midland Park Mall for a sign appeal. Mrs. Triggs explained why the request was denied and the appeal process. The City Code allows wall signs to be 50 square feet. The mall is requesting a sign that is 140 square feet.

Natalie Jett, 4511 N. Midkiff Road, General Manager of Midland Park Mall, reported the sign hides a dumpster, which is an eyesore, and that most of the time it will read Midland Park Mall. This is a vinyl sign, not digital.

Scott Dufford moved to approve Motion No. 071-2024; seconded by Amy Stretcher Burkes.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

24. 10542 – AN ORDINANCE ALTERING PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMITS ALONG CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY; AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE SIGNS AND

MARKINGS; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 10493; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION **(DISTRICT: NONE) (ENGINEERING SERVICES) (SET THE STANDARD FOR A SAFE AND SECURE CITY)**

Chief Deputy City Secretary Vanessa Magallanes read the caption of Ordinance No. 10542.

Traffic Engineer Taha Sakrani gave a brief overview of the item noting it's to change the speed limit on Briarwood, Midkiff Road, and Rankin Highway. Mr. Sakrani reported what the new speed limit will be on each of these roads.

John Norman moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 10542; seconded by Robin Poole.

The motion passed by the following vote:

AYE: Davidson, Stretcher Burkes, Poole, Dufford, Ladd, Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Blong

PUBLIC COMMENT

25. 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.)

Mr. Odell Niblett, 308 E. Dormard, is a crossing guard in Midland. Mr. Niblett reported he and other crossing guards are not being treated fairly. Mr. Niblett reported that his pay checks have errors and he is unable to communicate with the director of the program.

Council Member Dufford inquired of staff what the third party, that the City pays, is doing with regard to paying their employees.

Deputy City Manager Morris Williams reported there have been complaints and that some are the same complaints Mr. Niblett spoke about. Mr. Williams reported they have been checking into those complaints.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

26. 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 Pro Tem Ladd recessed the City Council meeting to go into Executive Session at 10:57 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.

All the business at hand having been completed, the meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED July 9, 2024.

Lori Blong, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marcia Bentley-German
City Governance Officer/City Secretary