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Cynthia J. Price, City of Durant

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DURANT CITY COUNCIL
February 13, 2024 AT 6:00 PM
Roscoe J. Hatfield Council Chambers
300 West Evergreen
Durant, Oklahoma**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Tucker provided the invocation and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Council Member Lauran Fuller
Council Member Humphrey Miller
Council Member Danny Sherrer
Vice Mayor Mike Simulescu
Mayor Martin Tucker
City Attorney Tom Marcum
Interim City Manager Rick Rumsey
City Clerk Cynthia J. Price

Absent:

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. United Acts of Kindness Day Proclamation - February 17, 2024

Mayor Tucker presented Kara Byrd with the United Acts of Kindness Day Proclamation.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens wishing to address the council regarding matters which are not listed on the agenda will be required to sign up no later than 5 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the

meeting. The sign-in sheet will contain space for citizen's name, address, phone number, and topic to be discussed. In this way, city staff will be able to follow-up on any issues presented if necessary.

There were no citizen comments.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Consent Items

To help streamline meetings and allow the focus to be on other items requiring strategic thought, the "Consent Items" portion of the agenda groups the routine, procedural, and self-explanatory non-controversial items together. These items are voted on in a single motion (one vote). However, any Council member requesting further information on a specific item thus removes it from the "Consent Items" section for individual attention and separate vote.

- a. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2024
- b. Consider Approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.
- c. Consider Approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
- d. Consider Approval of Budget Supplements BA 24-8
- e. Consider Approval of AirMedCare Network Group Agreement for City of Durant
- f. Consider Approval of Mayoral Recommendation to Appoint Vice Mayor Mike Simulescu to the Durant Industrial Authority Board
- g. Consider Mayoral Recommendation for Nominations to the OMAG Board of Trustees

Motion To: Approve Consent Items as Presented

Motion By: Lauran Fuller

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

2. Consider Items Removed from Consent

3. Information Items

- a. Financial Statements December 2023 and Sales Tax Report January 2024

4. Administration

- a. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the Mutual Aid Agreement Between the City of Durant, Oklahoma and the Chickasaw Nation Emergency Management Office. (C-2024-07)

Motion To: Approve Mutual Aid Agreement Between the City of Durant, Oklahoma and the Chickasaw Nation Emergency Management Office (C-2024-07)

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- b. Consider Approval of Resolution Appointing Economic Development Director Kathy Moore to the Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA) Board of Directors (R-2024-02)

Motion To: Approve Resolution Appointing Economic Development Director Kathy Moore to the Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA) Board of Directors (R-2024-02)

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- c. Discuss and Consider City Owned Property Located at 301 N. Sixteenth, Durant, OK, and Take Possible Action

Interim City Manager Rick Rumsey stated a plan to move forward with the property will be presented at the March 12, 2024 council meeting.

Motion To: Reject All Bids

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- d. Consideration for Approval to Reallocate Capital Improvement Funds in the Amount of \$50,000 to Rebuild Keithley Park Restroom and Purchase New Fixtures for Carl Albert Park, Keithley Park and Dixon Durant Park Bathrooms

Motion To: Approve Reallocation of Capital Improvement Funds in the Amount of \$50,000 to Rebuild Keithley Park Restroom and Purchase New Fixtures for Carl Albert Park, Keithley Park and Dixon Durant Park Bathrooms

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- e. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval of Calendar Year 2024 Pool Schedule

Motion To: Approve Calendar Year 2024 Pool Schedule

Motion By: Lauran Fuller

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- f. Consideration for Reallocation of \$30,000 for 6 Beautification Projects

Motion To: Approve Reallocation of \$30,000 for Six Beautification Projects

Motion By: Lauran Fuller

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- g. Consider Approval of the Request from the Oklahoma Electric and Gas Company for an Underground Easement at Tom Smith Road.

Motion To: Approve Request from the Oklahoma Electric and Gas Company for an Underground Easement at Tom Smith Road

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- h. Consider Approval of the Request from Oklahoma Electric and Gas Company for an Underground Easement at Cemetery and Highway 70

Motion To: Approve Request from Oklahoma Electric and Gas Company for an Underground Easement at Cemetery and Highway 70 Conditioned Upon Correction of Easement to Require Signature of Mayor Instead of City Manager

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- i. Consider Approval of Request for a Resolution of Support for the N. 5th and N. 6th Avenue Bike/Pedestrian Connectivity Project Between Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Historic Downtown Durant (R-2024-03)

Motion To: Approve Request for Resolution of Support for the N. 5th and N. 6th Avenue Bike/Pedestrian Connectivity Project Between Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Historic Downtown Durant (R-2024-03)

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- j. Consider Approval to Declare City Owned Real Estate Parcel Located at the Intersection of Big Lots Parkway and Ninth Avenue as Surplus and Put Out for Bid.

Motion To: Declare City Owned Real Estate Parcel Located at the Intersection of Big Lots Parkway and Ninth Avenue as Surplus and Put Out for Bid

Motion By: Lauren Fuller

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- k. Consideration and Approval of Replat Request for Vickie Stachowski

Motion To: Deny Replat Request of Vickie Stachowski

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- l. Consideration and Approval for a Rezone Request for Vickie Stachowski.

Motion To: Deny Rezone Request for Vickie Stachowski

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- m. Provide Update Regarding the 1/5/2022 Code/Ordinance Consulting Agreement with Crafton Tull and Take Possible Action.

Motion To: Approve Susan Henderson as a Subcontractor Consultant of Crafton, Tull & Associates, Inc. to Complete the Contracted Project Services (C-2024-04) Contingent Upon Approval of Susan Henderson by the Durant Planning Commission

Motion By: Mike Simulescu

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- n. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Allowing Magnolia Villias LP to Connect to City Sewer

Motion To: Deny Magnolia Villias LP to Connect to City Sewer

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

5. New Business

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn Meeting

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None