

James Clark, Mayor Pro Tem
Tomas Mendoza, Councilmember
John Mounce, Councilmember



Jim Tate, Councilmember
Chrissa Hartle, Councilmember

Mayor, Elizabeth Woodall

MINUTES

**State of Texas
County of Denton
City of Justin**

Justin City Council Regular Session Meeting- January 25, 2022

The Justin City Council Meeting convened into a Regular Session being open to the public the 25th day of January, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers of Justin Municipal Complex, and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject there of having been posted as prescribed by Article 5 of the Texas Government Code, with the following members present and in attendance to wit: Mayor, Elizabeth Woodall, Mayor Pro Tem, James Clark, Councilmembers, Chrissa Hartle, John Mounce, Tomas Mendoza, and Jim Tate. City Staff: City Manager, Chuck Ewings, Director of Strategic Services, Abbey Reece, City Secretary, Brittany Andrews, Finance Director, Josh Armstrong, Public Works Director, Josh Little, City Engineer, Chris Cha, and City Attorney, Sam Hawk.

Convene into Session: Mayor Woodall called the meeting to order at 6:00PM
Invocation led by: Mayor Pro Tem, Clark
Pledge of Allegiance, and American Flag

STAFF/BOARD UPDATES

- Financial update - Finance Director, Josh Armstrong presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

In order to expedite the flow of business and to provide all citizens the opportunity to speak, the Mayor may impose a three-minute limitation on any person addressing the Council. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the City Council from discussing issues, which the public have not been given a seventy-two (72) hour notice. Issues raised may be referred to City staff for research and/or placed on a future agenda.

Tom Cronberger - 806 W. 12th St. Justin, TX 76247, Asked about the mowing contract item and was the cost figured for monthly, or annually?

Mayor Woodall read the following submitted by residents Chris and Amy Hughes. Ms Mayor, City Council, and City of Justin: We have been asking for years now, that someone takes action on the danger that the City has placed our homes in. So as you can imagine the relief we felt hearing Councilman John Mounce, Councilman Tomas Mendoza, and Councilman Chrissa Hartle speak out against the Frisbee Golf course placement. They very specifically each mentioned the unsafe nature of the sport and Both Mr Mounce and Mr Mendoza spoke to the unsavoriness of many whom play that sport. They also agreed and supported our neighbors in stating that a frisbee

could kill a child, or the severe injury of someone due to the speed of the Frisbee as a projectile. Along with the conversation and ultimate decision to place a cease-and-desist order and immediately remove the course, they discussed Frisbees entering yards, homeowners wearing helmets to be in their backyards, and individuals trespassing to retrieve frisbees. We would like to thank the Council for setting this precedent and want to know when the Baseball field that faces our homes will also be shutdown. The field faces our homes. One of the Frisbee arguments was that the disc could break windows. This Baseball field has actually broken multiple windows, and destroyed a saltwater aquarium, killing some very expensive fish. Fence panels have been broken, and on many many occasions, baseball players have destroyed fences while trying to climb into our yards to retrieve balls. The field were never built appropriately and yet the City continues to spend money on them, instead of tearing them out and making them right. It is only 320 ft from home plate to our home. The field is too short, the fences are not tall enough, the lights illuminate just about every room in our home. The individuals that come into our yards are very disrespectful, and often times the adults that practice there are an even bigger problem because they are drinking, and belligerent about getting their balls when they hit them into our yards. The fields need to be redesigned, with our safety in mind, and with the precedence set by Mr. Mounce, Mr. Mendoza and Ms. Hartle with the Frisbee Golf decision, when can we expect a much much more dangerous baseball field to be closed, and properly engineered facing away from our homes. Some facts to consider: Disc golf average speed 45 to 65 MPH Hit Baseball Average speed 70 – 90 mph Disc Golf impact 25 to 40 Ft lbs. Baseball impact 80 to 100 Ft lbs. Please immediately close this one field so that our Children can be safe in our own yards. Parking is another issue. During the weekends when multiple fields are being used, many vehicles are parked on the roads and in the grass. During Justin’s spring festival, parking was along our fence line, and up and down both sides of the streets. It is time a real plan is make for our park, and it is time to take the safety of homeowners and our Children into account. Thank you, Residents of Hardeman Estates, Cedar Crest Drive. Chris and Amy Hughes

POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Consider and take appropriate action approving award of contract to Brightview Landscape Services, INC. in the amount of \$52,200.00 for grounds maintenance.

Councilman Mounce moved to approve the contract with Brightview Landscape Services, INC. as presented.

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem, Clark

Aye votes: Councilmembers Hartle, Clark, Mounce, Mendoza and Tate.

Motion carries

2. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a service area agreement between the City of Justin and Aqua Texas, Inc. regarding service of water to an approximately 9.7 acre-tract of land in Denton County located FM 156, approximately 1.4 miles south of downtown Justin.

Mayor Pro Tem, Clark moved to approve the item.

Seconded by: Councilman Tate

Aye votes: Councilmembers Hartle, Clark, Mounce, Mendoza and Tate.

Motion carries

3. Consider and take appropriate action regarding appointments to the Keep Justin Beautiful Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem, Clark moved to approve the Park Board appointments to the Keep Justin Beautiful Committee and applicant Kati Taylor to Place 3 on the Parks and Recreation Board and Keep Justin Beautiful Committee.

Seconded by: Councilwoman Hartle

Aye votes: Councilmembers Hartle, Clark, Mounce, Mendoza and Tate.

Motion carries

4. Consider and take appropriate action regarding appointments to and membership of the Justin Community Library Board.

Mayor Pro Tem, Clark moved to approve applicant Brian Ovens to Place 3 on the Justin Community Library Board.

Seconded by: Councilman Mounce

Aye votes: Councilmembers Hartle, Clark, Mounce, Mendoza and Tate.

Motion carries

CONSENT

Any Council Member may request an item on the Consent Agenda to be taken up for individual consideration

5. Consider and take appropriate action to approve Ordinance 715-22 authorizing and calling a general municipal election to be held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 for the purpose of electing three (3) City Council Members to two (2) year terms, authorizing the notice of election; authorizing a joint election order with other Denton County political subdivisions; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Denton County, Texas for election services.

Councilman Mounce moved to approve Ordinance 715-22 as presented.

Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem, Clark

Aye votes: Councilmembers Hartle, Clark, Mounce, Mendoza and Tate.

Motion carries

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Any item on this posted agenda could be discussed in Executive Session as long as it is within one of the permitted categories under sections 551.071 through 551.076 and Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

- Under Section 551.071, to conduct private consultation with the City Attorney regarding:
 - West Side Wastewater Improvement Agreement
 - Range Creek Municipal Utility District of Denton County
- Under Section 551.087, Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations:
 - Chapter 380 Agreement with OES

Convene into executive session at 6:31PM

Adjourn into open meeting at 6:49PM

6. Discuss, consider, and act on items discussed in Executive Session.

No Action

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Discuss Meeting Format
- Discuss Ballfields
- Alleyways in Old Town

ADJOURN

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54PM

Brittany Andrews
Brittany Andrews, City Secretary

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