



Minutes - Final
City Council

Tuesday, May 17, 2011

4:30 PM

Council Briefing Room

Call to Order

Mayor England called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Present 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Staff Presentations

1 Parkland Clinic Update

Mayor England welcomed the Parkland Hospital staff who were present and added that Grand Prairie has needed this clinic for many years. Jim Cummings, Environmental Services Director, introduced the following Parkland staff: Sharon Phillips, Senior Vice President, Community Medicine; Jessical Herandez, Vice President, Community Oriented Primary Care; Walter Jones, Senior Vice President, Healthcare Facilities Planning & Development; Thomas Wilkins, Director, Design & Construction; Mark Fryar, Director Healthcare Planning; and Cliff Clark, Project Manager.

Ms. Hernandez said she anticipates that the clinic will be opened in 2012. The clinic will have 33,000 square feet and will have 40,000 visits at the mature state of the facility. Services available include: pediatric, adult, geriatric and women, infant and specialty health, laboratory, radiology, pharmacy and nutrition; psychiatry, psychology, social work, language assistants, and community dental care. There will be 65 employees at mature state with 48 exam rooms.

Mr. Fryar stated that the building was designed to use the available space most efficiently. The design is meant to identify with the new Parkland Hospital and emulate some of the modern design of the hospital. The entryways to the site that are existing will be maintained for the new facility. The building will be laid out to allow expansion between clinics. Mr. Fryar showed the layout of various aspects of the facility and pointed out that exterior walls are limestone and glass.

2 Grand Prairie Youth Advisory Council - Presented by GPISD Youth Advisory Council Students

This presentation was postponed.

3 The Summit - The First Year of Changing Lives - Presented by Linda Long

This presentation was postponed.

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Expose Your Green Side -- Recycle - Presented by Patricia Redfearn

Dr. Patricia Redfearn stated that in 2009, a six-week study was conducted on recycling set out rate to see how much Grand Prairie was recycling. Of the 421 houses surveyed there was only a 20% setout rate. With a NCTCOG grant, a firm was hired to come up with a new logo and slogan (Expose Your Green Side). Several brochures have been designed and it was determined that more information will need to be directed to the Spanish speaking community. Dr. Redfearn said she attended the Cinco de Mayo event and handed out vouchers for green bins.

Outreach to citizens has been done via Facebook, the city website, Mayor Pro Tem Jackson and Mayor England have done recycling videos; there have been speaking engagements at schools, HOA's, Lions Club and Rotary Club. She said fliers will be distributed at all elementary schools. A kickoff event was held on May 15 at the AirHogs game. The goal of the project is to double the amount of recycling in Grand Prairie.

Council Member Giessner asked if there was any intention of moving to rolling bins. Mr. Cummings said most cities are going to automated bins. He said that staff would be studying this because there is some opposition to having carts for garbage.

Council Member Fregoe asked if the goal to double recycling was reached, what impact would that have on the landfill. Dr. Redfearn said it extends the life of the landfill and pointed out that it takes 7 years to get a new landfill sited. Mr. Cummings said that we divert as much as we can from the landfill. He said that recently the landfill permit was modified to go higher which extended the life of the landfill to 2043 at this time. Amy Sprinkles, Marketing Director, said if you double the amount you recycle, you double the life of the landfill. Mr. Cummings said the new cell to be started next year will cost \$1.2 million.

Agenda Review

Council Member asked for more information on the Riverboat Concession Contract (Item 13). Rick Herold, Parks and Recreation Director, state that staff had gone to Michigan to look at the boat and thought it was a great idea for Grand Prairie/Joe Pool Lake. He said the jetty where the boat will be moored has already been started because of erosion on the bank. He said the boat should be on the lake in four to five weeks. Mr. Herold said he expected a one-year payback.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Recess Meeting

Mayor England recessed the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

6:30 PM City Council Chambers

Mayor England reconvened the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Pastor Jon Dunn, Shady Grove Church, gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to US Flag and to the Texas Flag was led by Council Member Tony Shotwell.

Consent Agenda

- 5 Minutes of the May 5, 2011 Council Meeting
- Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson moved, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe, to approve Items 5 through 18 on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously as follows:**
- Ayes: 9 -**
Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn
- 6 Change Order/Amendment No. 1 with Barson Utilities for FY 10 Water Main Replacements in the amount of \$49,174
- Approved on the Consent Agenda**
- 7 Construction contract with Conatser Construction TX, LP for the Camp Wisdom Paving and Drainage Phase III in the amount of \$928,183.40; materials testing of \$23,205; in house engineering of \$64,972; and a 5% contingency of \$46,409, for a total of \$1,062,769.
- Approved on the Consent Agenda**
- 8 Amendment to Verizon Lease to allow additional antennas installations on Bowles (N.E. Sector) Elevated Water Tank
- Approved on the Consent Agenda**
- 9 Contract renewal with Linebarger, Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP for collection of delinquent ad valorem taxes and amend contract approval procedures.
- Approved on the Consent Agenda**
- 10 Contract with Carruthers Landscape Maintenance Services at an estimated cost of \$199,805 for right of way landscape maintenance services, a one year

contract, with up to (4) one year renewal options; Tru-Green Landscape as the secondary contract; and a 5% contingency in the amount of \$9,990.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 11 Amendment/Change Order No. 2 with RJN Group, Inc. in the amount of \$38,180 to provide construction inspection services on the South Sector Lift Station Project

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 12 Change Order/Amendment No. 1 with EBG Engineering, LLC for Miscellaneous Drafting Services in the amount of \$40,000

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 13 Riverboat Concession Contract with Princess Laura Riverboat, Inc. for a one year contract with up to four (4) one year renewal options.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 14 Resolution authorizing the sale of a tax foreclosure lot struck off to Arlington Independent School District at 518 Worthway Avenue, in the amount of \$3,000.

Adopted

Enactment No: RES 4502-2011

- 15 Resolution in support of grant application to the National Institute of Justice Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement grant program by the Police Department for crime laboratory equipment, supplies and training in the amount of \$120,000.

Adopted

Enactment No: RES 4503-2011

- 16 Ordinance amending the FY 2010/2011 Capital Improvements Project Budget in the amount of \$200,000 for Water and Wastewater Utility Street Repairs

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9202-2011

- 17 Ordinance amending the FY 2010/2011 Capital Improvement Projects Budget in the amount of \$8,474 to purchase gas well operations noise and air monitoring equipment.

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9203-2011

- 18 Ordinance amending the 2010-11 CIP Budget; and a contract of \$45,230, plus

a 5% contingency of \$2,262 using the City's Existing Price Agreement On-Call Contractors for the Camp Wisdom median opening at Hunt

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9204-2011

Public Hearing Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Jackson moved, seconded by Council Member Fregoe to table Items 19 through 22, and approve Item 23 on the Public Hearing Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- 19** SU061104B - Specific Use Permit Renewal - 2609 W. Jefferson Street (City Council District 4). Consideration of a request for the renewal of a Specific Use Permit for an automotive inspection and tire repair facility. The site is currently zoned General Retail (GR) District and is generally located west of South Great Southwest Parkway on the south side of West Jefferson Street. The property is located in the Central Business District-One (CBD-1) Overlay District. The owner/applicant is Sofyan Talm. (On May 2 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission postponed this case by a vote of 9-0 until staff completes a code review for this case.)

Tabled

- 20** SU100404A - Specific Use Permit Renewal - 3422 E. Main Street (City Council District 5). Consideration of a request for the renewal of a Specific Use Permit for outside storage of automobiles on 1.03 acres. The subject property is zoned Light Industrial (LI) District and is located along the north side of E. Main Street east of Hensley Drive. The subject property is located within the Central Business District-Four (CBD-4) Overlay District. The owner/applicant is Ron Cornelius. (On May 2 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission postponed this case by a vote of 9-0 until staff completes a code review for this case.)

Tabled

- 21** SU100501A - Specific Use Permit Renewal - 2602 Mayfield Road (City Council District 4). Consideration of a request for the renewal of a Specific Use Permit for used automobile sales on 1.356 acres. The subject property is zoned Light Industrial (LI) District and is located on the north side of Mayfield Road west of S. Great Southwest Parkway. The subject property is also situated within the southwestern portion of the Trader's Village parking area. The owner is Traders Village and the applicant is LPLM, LLC DBA Fiesta Autoplex. (On May 2 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission postponed this case by a vote of 9-0 until staff completes a code review for this case.)

Tabled

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SU110502 - Specific Use Permit - 2615 W. Pioneer Parkway (City Council District 4). Approval of a Specific Use Permit for a multi-purpose room and special event center on 0.112 acres. The subject property is zoned Light Industrial (LI) District and is generally located south of Pioneer Parkway and west of S. Great Southwest Parkway. The owner is Steve and Matthew Ioh/Asian Time Square and the applicant is EKL/Hoang Le.

Tabled

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SU060702B - Specific Use Permit Renewal - 2401 E. Main Street (City Council District 5). To renew Specific Use Permit No. 752A to add make ready services, minor automotive repair and engine/major component replacement. The site is currently zoned Light Industrial (LI) District and is generally located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Bagdad Road and E. Main Street. This property is located in the Central Business District-Four (CBD-4) Overlay District. The owner is Angel D. Reyes and the applicant is Lisbeth C. Arias. (On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 9-0.)

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9206-2011

Public Hearing on Zoning Applications

24

S110501 - Site Plan - 2603 N. Grand Peninsula Drive (City Council District 6). Approval of a Site Plan for a community center on 1.65 acres. The subject property is zoned Planned Development District 249 (PD-249) and is located west of Lakeridge Parkway at the southwest corner of the intersection of N. Grand Peninsula Drive and Coastal Boulevard. The subject property is located within the Lakeridge Parkway Overlay District. The owner is Grand Peninsula Owners Association, Inc. and the applicant is Shane Christian. (On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 9-0.)

Mr. Lasher said this site plan is for a private clubhouse for the Grand Peninsula Homeowners Association and is allowed in PD249. He said the site is surrounded by single family and a school. Mr. Lasher said the applicant requested three appeals: to allow building setbacks on the southwest corner of N. Grand Peninsula Drive and Coastal Boulevard to encroach 5' into the required 25' setback; and to encroach 7' into the required 25' front yard setback facing N. Grand Peninsula Drive. He said the applicant tried to get as close to the street as possible to allow for more on-site parking, but will be 23 parking spaces short. The applicant contacted Mansfield ISD to let them use their parking lot for certain events for overflow parking and the ISD has approved. The building will be all stone with a metal roof.

Stephanie Christian, 6865 Cape Cod Drive, submitted a speaker card in support of this case, but did not wish to speak.

Council Member Jensen said the GPHOA had contacted him a year ago about this

project and that he thought this is a great use for this property and wholeheartedly approves.

Council Member Jensen moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to close the public hearing and approve Case S110501, with the three appeals as requested. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

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SU110501 - Specific Use Permit - 1102 W. Pioneer Parkway, Suite 102 (City Council District 4). Approval of a Specific Use Permit for a car title loan business on 0.44 acres. The subject property is zoned Commercial (C) District and is generally located north of Pioneer Parkway and west of Robinson Road. The subject property is located within the S.H.-161 Overlay District. The owner is Pioneer Drive Thru Self-Storage, the applicant is Atlas Financial Services, and the agent is Robert W. Thompson.(On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Lasher stated this SUP is for a car title loan business in a multi-tenant center. He said that that there had been discussions with Council and the Development Committee regarding this type of use. He said a Certificate of Occupancy was issued for this space earlier this year for a financial services company. Later the applicant put up their sign that said Quick Cash and when staff contacted them they said they would have car title loans as one part of their services so staff told them they had to have an SUP for that. In June, staff will be coming to Council with a text amendment for geographical restrictions on this type of business. The business is located at the former Grand Prairie Ford site on SH303. The business is in the SH161 Overlay District but it does not require a site plan. Mr. Lasher said there is a lot of vesting with this case and the applicant is requesting no appeals. He said the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval.

Council Member Swafford said there was some legislation in Austin regarding this type of business and asked Mr. Lasher if he would be converting that into the text amendment depending on what happens. Mr. Lasher said he was aware of that legislation and had submitted that to the committee in April, however, it was primarily involving usury laws which is not zoning related. He said other cities are putting in some very stringent geographical regulations and that staff would be proposing a text amendment to not allow them in overlay districts.

Robert Thompson, 350 N. Ervay, #1808, Dallas, TX 75201, said he had submitted an application for a Certificate of Occupancy and listed services at that time. He said the financial services are regulated and said there are requirements for a license for each office and fees, disclosures, length of term, etc. After getting the Certificate of Occupancy, he applied for a sign permit, and it was the sign permit which triggered the review. The corporate name is Atlas Financial Services, and the business name is Atlas Quick Cash. Mr. Thompson said staff was helpful in getting him through this process. He thanked staff for their assistance and said he hoped to do business in Grand Prairie.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe moved to close the public hearing and approve

Case SU110501 as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Enactment No: ORD 9207-2011

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SU110503 - Specific Use Permit - 1210 Avenue J East (City Council District 1). Approval of a Specific Use Permit for a metal reclamation and shipping company with outside storage on 3.77 acres. The subject property is zoned Light Industrial (LI) District and is located east of N. Great Southwest Parkway on the south side of Avenue J East. The owner is CunYun Ye and the applicant is Tina Lin. (On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 7-1.)

Mr. Lasher said this SUP is for a metal reclamation shipping company for bulk metals to be shipped out of state and the country. He said the site has been zoned LI since 1973. The site backs up to a residential subdivision. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval 7-1, and there were several residents who came out in opposition. The case is complicated and has a legal non-conforming condition because of outside storage since 1983. The former business was a building scaffolding company and when they moved out the applicant moved in with the metal reclamation company which requires an SUP. Mr. Lasher noted that Residential and Light Industrial zoning areas often have conflict. He showed photos of the former use (scaffolding) and said the new owner wanted to replace the chain link fence. The applicant buys metal in bulk and ships it overseas for processing. This will be a sorting and transporting facility which will operate Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Lasher said that all sorting has to be performed under a roof and the applicant has agreed to this requirement. They will also need to cover outside storage bins. Trucks will be used to move the bins. The applicant will be adding a covered area 30' x 46' (canopy) to expand the sorting operation. When neighbors were notified there was concern about smelting, using lead, welding, etc. The applicant will need to install a dumpster enclosure. Noise and debris were major issues with neighbors. There is a portable weigh station which has electrical power so when trucks dismount their load onto the scales it makes noise. After the Planning and Zoning hearing, the neighbors have proposed some screening. The site is vested and so there is no legal means to stop outside storage, and the screening is also vested. Mr. Lasher said staff recommends approval as did the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Council Member Swafford asked Mr. Lasher to point out where the railroad is located in relation to the site. Mr. Lasher said the application will not be using the railroad. Mr. Swafford asked if they would be using front end loaders with a beeping sound. Mr. Lasher replied that the beepers are an OSHA requirement so beepers have to be activated.

Cun Yun Ye, 1210 East Avenue J, the applicant, said the company does not do any processing. They buy materials packed in boxes or baled and then they are shipped to China. He said the business is quiet and trucks may come in once a day. He said

there are only three pieces of equipment that make noise and he will take the beeper off the bobcat. Mr. Ye pointed out that the main noise in the area is airplanes and the train. He said he would try to reduce any noise. He added he would like to put up a fence and would put in screening to isolate the noise. He said he was asked not to use the street adjacent to residential.

Brian Crowe, 2432 Kingsley Drive, President of Hidden Creek HOA, said the homeowners have three concerns: trash and debris in the air; dust and dirt; and noises of a large container being dropped from a loading apparatus. He said there is also the scraping noise of a scoop on a bobcat. Mr. Crowe said this is an eyesore because there is only a chain link fence between the street and this business. He said Mr. Ye has been requested to plant some stout shrubs along the street. Mr. Crowe asked Council if they were inclined to approve this case, would there be anything the city could do to mitigate the degradation due to this business.

Roger Burrows, 1747 Hidden Brook, submitted a card in opposition to this case, but did not wish to speak.

Council Member Hepworth commended city staff for sitting down to meet with the citizens who attended the Planning and Zoning Commission hearing. He said he was aware of the community and how they feel about noise issues in their area. He said the applicant is not looking for any variances or to change the zoning. Mr. Hepworth said he understood why the community is so nervous when a new business is coming in next door because they are next to an industrial park and a train that operates and blows whistles at all times of the night. Anything that compounds the noise is deteriorating their quality of life. Mr. Hepworth said the applicant did not ask for a variance and he could not say he would vote against this SUP, but wanted to make sure that Council was aware there is a large contingent of constituents who are not happy and they are afraid it is a quality of life issue. Mr. Hepworth said he hoped this is an avenue where the Council could come back and revisit this issue.

Mayor England said when you live in this area where he and Mr. Hepworth both live, it is a noisy area and he knew that when he moved there. The train was there when this subdivision was built next to an industrial area. The train gives a short blast, but the airplanes are a bigger noise factor than the train because it is right in the flight path of DFW.

Council Member Jensen moved to close the public hearing and approve Case SU110503 subject to a 6-month administrative review. Council Member Giessner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Enactment No: ORD 9208-2011

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TA110501 - Text Amendment - Article 4, "Permissible Uses," and Article 30, "Definitions," of the Unified Development Code. Approval of a Text Amendment to Article 4, "Permissible Uses," and Article 30, "Definitions," of the Unified Development Code to include revisions to Section 7, "Tattoo Parlors/Piercing Salons," to implement additions and modifications to text in the "Use Charts," and to add new definitions. The applicant is the City of

Grand Prairie Planning Department, and the agent is Ryan Miller. (On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Lasher stated that Case TA110501 is for revisions to the Unified Development Code, Section 7, "Tattoo Parlors/Piercing Salons." He said that currently this use can be combined with any other use as long as it does not take up more than 25% of the current use. Other cities have more stringent laws so these types of businesses are coming to Grand Prairie.

Council Member Shotwell said the Development Committee looked at this revision and he pointed out that cosmetic tattooing (eyebrows and lips) will be allowed in beauty salons where they are licensed for cosmetological tattooing.

Council Member Shotwell moved to close the public hearing and approve Case TA110501. Mayor Pro Tem Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Enactment No: ORD 9209-2011

28

TA110502 - Text Amendment - Article 12, "Platting," & Article 22, "Fee Schedule," of the Unified Development Code. Approval of a Text Amendment to Article 12, "Platting," and Article 22, "Fee Schedule," of the Unified Development Code for the purpose of changing the maintenance bond requirements for construction permits and adding a fee to appeal the alcohol proximity requirements. The applicant is the City of Grand Prairie Planning Department, and the agent is Kevin Lasher, AICP. (On May 2, 2011, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Lasher stated that this amendment to the Unified Development Code was to change the maintenance bond requirements for construction permits for infrastructure improvements to reflect what other cities charge. It also includes an alcoholic proximity requirements variance fee.

Council Member Giessner moved to close the public hearing and approve Case TA110501. Mayor Pro Tem Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Enactment No: ORD 9210-2011

Items for Individual Consideration

29

Public Hearing and Standards of Care Ordinance for 2011 After School Programs and Summer Camps

City Manager Tom Hart stated this ordinances must be passed annually as required by State law. This gives the city the power to hold after school programs and summer camps.

Council Member Swafford moved to close the public hearing and approve the Standards of Care ordinance. Council Member Shotwell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: 9 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Enactment No: ORD 9205-2011

30

Second and Final Reading of an Ordinance approving a negotiated resolution between the Steering Committee of Cities served by Oncor and Oncor Electric Delivery Company regarding Oncor's application to increase electric rates.

Mike Foreman, Assistant to the City Manager, stated that this ordinance is to approve the negotiated resolution between steering committee of cities and Oncor for an increase to electric rates.

Council Member Swafford moved to approve the first reading of an ordinance approving a negotiated resolution between the Steering Committee of Cities regarding Oncor's application to increase electric rates. Council Member Thorn seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: 8 -

Mayor Charles England; Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Mark Hepworth; Council Member Ron Jensen; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn

Nayes: 1 -

Council Member Tony Shotwell

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson invited citizens to take part in the city's Memorial Day program on Monday, May 30, at 10 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Park at Conover and Lowe Drive. Council Member Swafford added that this is a great program and is well attended by the public in recognition of veterans. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Mayor England noted that the Parkland groundbreaking had been held earlier that afternoon at the former police station site on Carrier Parkway and Conover Drive. He

said the city had given land to Parkland to build a 33,000 sq. ft. clinic which is estimated to serve 40,000 people annually. Currently, the Grand Connection makes three trips a day to Parkland Hospital and transporting 2500 people to the hospital.

Mayor England adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the June 7, 2011 Council meeting.

Catherine E. DiMaggio, City Secretary