

Duncanville City Council Joint Meeting with Duncanville Community and Economic Development Board Minutes Tuesday, July 30, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

A joint meeting of the Duncanville City Council was called to order on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 6:01 p.m. in the Collab Space at Wheatland Plaza with a quorum to wit:

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Councilmember At-Large DeMonica Gooden
Councilmember Joe Veracruz
Councilmember Don McBurnett
Mayor Pro Tem Jeremy Koontz
Councilmember Karen Cherry-Brown
Mayor Greg Contreras
Councilmember Kyle Pennebaker

COUNCIL ARRIVING AT:

COUNCIL ABSENT:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session was moved to the end of the regular meeting.

The Executive Session was called into session at 8:14 p.m., and City Attorney Hager read the item into record.

The Council closed the Executive Session at 8:31 p.m.

City Council shall convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate the sale, exchange, lease, purchase, or value of certain real property located north of Wheatland, south of Interstate 20, and west of US Highway 67, and, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to seek legal advice from the City Attorney regarding the same.

3. CITIZENS' INPUT

“Pursuant to Section 551.007 of the Texas Gov’t Code, any member of the public has the opportunity to address the City Council concerning any matter of public business or any posted agenda item; however, the Act prohibits the City Council from deliberating any issues not on the public agenda and such non-agenda issues may be referred to City staff for research and any future action; all persons addressing are subject to council adopted rules and limitations permitted by law”

At this time, two-minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. To address the Council, please submit a fully-completed request card to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of the Citizens' Input portion of the Council meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council cannot discuss issues raised or make any decisions at this time. Issues may be referred to City Staff for research and possible future action.

To view the live meeting or previous meetings click on the link below.

<https://duncanvilletx.new.swagit.com/views/454/>

To submit a comment via email the following information is required:

- Submit a comment by 4:00 p.m. on __
- Email citysecretary@duncanvilletx.gov
- Email title: Public Comment – __
- First Name, Last Name, and Address

Mayor Contreras read the item into record. The following spoke during the Citizens Input Period:

Rebecca Crawford
526 E. Magnolia Ln
No alcohol sales near school

5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

A. *Take any necessary action as a result of the Executive Session.*

No action taken.

B. *Council and Duncanville Community and Economic Development Board to discuss the status of Wheatland Plaza, including:*

- *Current progress of the project*
- *Next Steps*
- *Co-lab space*
- *Financials update*

Presented by Monte Anderson, developer of Wheatland Plaza. Economic Development Director Victor Berrera reviewed the project from the city's perspective.

C. *City Council and the Duncanville Community and Economic Development Corporation Board Members to discuss the following:*

- *status of working together*
- *Council appointments to the board*
- *appointing a subcommittee to review bylaws of DCEDC*
- *general status of the DCEDC as it relates to the DCEDC's mission*

City Manager Finch reviewed the changes to the collaboration with DCEDC. Chairman Kenneth Govan spoke for the DCEDC. Councilmembers Cherry-Brown and Pennebaker asked about how the DCEDC is soliciting new businesses in the city. Mr. Govan stated that members of the DCEDC and Economic Development are attending conventions and speaking with other cities and owners of shopping centers within the community to support businesses coming to Duncanville.

D. *Consider a resolution approving a professional services agreement with MRB Group to provide an update to the City's Comprehensive Plan and authorizing the City Manager to sign and execute all documents associated with the agreement.*

RES 2024-296

Presented by Matt Horn with MRB Group.

Councilmember Don McBurnett made a motion to approve the consent item as stated, Mayor Pro Tem Jeremy Koontz seconded the motion. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY