

CITY OF ABERNATHY

The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in regular session on Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Sharon Kester-Fair, William Atchley, Victor Cavazos, Ron Johnson, and Michael Macias. Also present were Mike Cypert, Krista Adames, Nadia Micheletti, Terry Edge, Alfredo Marez, Mike Grimsley, and numerous citizens. Councilwoman Shawn Vandygriff arrived after item IV on the Agenda.

MINUTES

- I. **Call to Order**
Mayor Kester-Fair called the meeting to order.
- II. **Welcome Guests**
Mayor Kester-Fair welcomed the guest.
- III. **Invocation**
Councilman Michael Macias gave the invocation.
- IV. **Review/Approval minutes of the previous meeting**
Councilman Bill Atchley made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Victor Cavazos seconded the motion. The vote was 4/0.
- V. **Presentation/Approval of Monthly Financial Reports**
Councilman Victor Cavazos made a motion to approve the Financial Reports. Councilman Michael Macias seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.
- VI. **Discussion /Action Items For Consideration**
 - A. **Public Hearings on Substandard Housing**
 1. **Case 16-004 – 205 E. 13th Street – Westwind Properties**
Mayor Kester-Fair opened the public hearing. Code Enforcement officer Nadia Micheletti presented Case 16-004-205 East 13th Street to City Council. No one spoke for or against Case 16-004-205. Mayor Kester Fair closed the Public Hearing.
 - B. **Determination and Consider Orders to Repair – Substandard Housing.**
 1. **Case 16-004 – 205 E. 13th Street – Westwind Properties**
Councilman Michael Macias made a motion finding Case 16-004- 205 E. 13th Street Substandard and issued a 30 day order to demolish or repair.
Councilman Bill Atchley seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.
 - C. **Public Hearing on Zoning Change – Block 5, Nystel Addition, Abernathy**
Mayor Kester-Fair opened the public hearing. City Council received public comment.
Mayor Kester-Fair closed the public hearing.
 - D. **Consider Ordinance 583 – Zoning Change, Block 5, Nystel Addition, Abernathy**
Councilman Victor Cavazos made a motion to Deny Ordinance 583 and leave the zoning commercial. Councilman Michael Macias seconded the motion. The vote was 3/1/1 with Councilman Bill Atchley voting against and Councilman Ron Johnson abstaining.
 - E. **Discussion on Remodeling Municipal Court Room/Council Chamber - Requested by Councilman Johnson**
Councilman Ron Johnson asked City Council to consider remodeling the Municipal Court Room/ Council Chambers. Councilwoman Shawn Vandygriff asked City Manager Mike Cypert to get prices for the November City Council meeting.
 - F. **Discussion on Recording City Council Meetings - Requested by Councilman Johnson**
Councilman Ron Johnson discussed with City Council members that he would like to start recording the City Council meetings. Councilman Ron Johnson made a motion for the City to purchase a recorder and retain the recording of the City Council meetings for

one year. Councilwoman Shawn Vandygriff seconded the motion. The vote was 4/1 with Councilman Victor Cavazos voting against.

G. Discussion on Purchase of Digital Messaging Sign – Requested by Councilman Johnson

Councilman Ron Johnson discussed with the City Council about purchasing a digital message Sign. Councilman Johnson presented a couple of quotes for signs and Everett Irlbeck from signtronix presented his signs and gave some quotes to Council. City Council asked City Manager Mike Cypert to gather information about the location, price, size, and design and put it on the December Agenda. No action was taken.

City Council took a 10 minute break.

H. Discussion on Regulation Itinerant Restaurants (Mobile Food Sales) – Requested by Councilman Johnson

Councilman Ron Johnson discussed with City Council about his concerns with mobile food sales. No action was taken.

I. Consider Abatement of Alley Obstruction – Block 15, OT Abernathy

Councilman Bill Atchley made a motion to authorize the abatement of a structure obstructing the alley at block 15, OT Abernathy. Councilman Victor Cavazos seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.

J. Consider Tower Lease Extension – American Tower

Councilwoman Vandygriff made a motion to approve a lease extension with American Tower. Councilman Bill Atchley seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.

K. Resolution 101016A - Authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Community Development Grant Program.

Councilwoman Vandygriff made a motion to pass resolution 101016A. Councilman Michael Macias seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.

L. Ordinance 581 – Setting a Tax Rate of \$0.5693/\$100 valuation for 2016 (Second Reading)

Councilman Michael Macias made a motion to pass the second reading of Ordinance 581. Councilman Victor Cavazos seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.

VII. Public Comment (non-action)

City Council received no public comment

VIII. Items Presented for Information Only

A. Police Chief – Report to Council

1. Monthly Activities Report

Sgt. Terry Edge presented the police report to Council due to Police Chief Cameron Bowman being out of town for training.

B. City Manager – Report to Council

1. Update on Active Projects

City Manager Mike Cypert made his report to Council.

IX. Adjournment

Councilman Victor Cavazos made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Shawn Vandygriff seconded the motion. The vote was 5/0.