

**WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
WHITE OAK CITY HALL
JULY 23, 2013
5:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT : Mayor Rick May, Mayor Pro-Tem Barbara Ray Lance Noll, Kyle Kutch, Kelly Mitchell

MEMBERS ABSENT : Charlie Owens

STAFF PRESENT : Charlie Smith, Sherry Roberts, Billy Morgan, Tracey Fears, Wendell Basham, Terry Roach, Debbie Sadler, Jason Maxted

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor May called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Councilmember Kutch led the invocation and Mayor May led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE Scull Timber Company, Inc. for timber removal on recently purchased City property on Old Hwy 80 and choose method of removal.

Councilmember Noll made the motion to approve with method #2 pay as you cut, seconded by Councilmember Mitchell.

Councilmember Kutch questioned how this method would affect the \$11,000 revenue. City Coordinator Smith answered that it is borderline on what the company would profit. Mayor Pro-Tem Ray questioned how the Council would agree on what is to be cut. Councilmember Noll answered that Council could go choose the trees and the timber company would bring the orange tags. Mayor Pro-Tem Ray stated there are some beautiful trees and that she did not see many dead trees. Councilmember Kutch stated he saw some big oaks, but when would be a time Council could mark the trees since the timber company suggested this project be completed quickly. Councilmember Kutch suggested the Council could go mark them but if he cannot make a profit off of the remaining trees, Council can reconsider. Mayor Pro-Tem Ray stated she would like to know where the roads, parking lots, etc. are going to be. She stated she cannot vote to remove all of the trees. Mayor May explained that the idea of making money by clearing the trees was not the moneymaking idea to begin with. Mayor May also said the incoming businesses do not know where to go if the trees are not down. He added that there are tank batteries, wellheads, pumping units and if you leave trees, it adds more obstacles and minimizes businesses that want to relocate. Trees are a replantable resource. Mayor Pro-Tem Ray stated she will not see the trees grown. Mayor May agreed but added that Council needs to look for the future of the City. Mayor Pro-Tem Ray clarified that she was not suggesting that Council leave a lot of the trees, but to leave the big, beautiful oaks where there will not be any roads. Mayor May explained that trees cannot be left next to a pumping unit. Once again, Mayor May stated his opinion is to clear off the property and start with a clean slate so everyone can visualize where the roads will be built. Councilmember Noll stated he did not know Council had a time crunch. Mayor May explained there really is not one, but there are companies ready to relocate and they will not wait forever. The timber company is ready to proceed. Councilmember Noll stated the City bought the property to bring in businesses and would like to leave some, but understands if this is not possible. Mayor May stated Council

would need to get the trees marked within the next two weeks. After much discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPOINT Cecil Pinson to the Planning & Zoning Board.

City Coordinator Smith explained to the Council that the Board had a vacancy and Mr. Pinson expressed his interest to serve. Motion to appoint made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ray, seconded by Councilmember Kutch. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING regarding the specific use provision application by Citizens National Bank for a drive thru restaurant at 603 S. White Oak Road.

City Coordinator Smith asked Community & Development Director Debbie Sadler to speak. Ms. Sadler stated two citizens spoke in favor of this SUP and two citizens spoke against it. The Planning & Zoning Board voted unanimously in favor of the SUP. Ms. Sadler explained the donut shop would have early hours. It required a SUP because it has a drive-thru. Ms. Sadler told the Council that the bank will sell the potential buyer the old bank building.

Mayor May opened the public hearing at 5:15 p.m.

With no one present to speak for or against the provision, Mayor May closed the hearing at 5:18 p.m..

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE the specific use provision application by Citizens National Bank for a drive thru restaurant at 603 S. White Oak Road.

Councilmember Noll made the motion to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ray. Carried 3-1 with Councilmember Mitchell voting against.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D,

- Section 551.074: Personnel Matters – City Coordinator Evaluation and Contract

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION to Consider and/or Act upon any deliberation regarding:

- Section 551.074: Personnel Matters – City Coordinator Evaluation and Contract

The Council recessed into Executive Session at 5:19 p.m.

Mayor May adjourned the Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

The Council reconvened back into regular session.

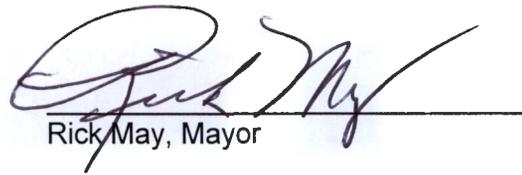
Motion to approve made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ray, seconded by Councilmember Kutch, carried unanimously.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

The Council and staff held a workshop regarding the General Fund only.

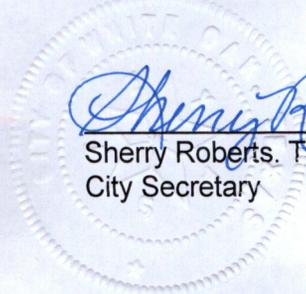
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried unanimously.



Rick May, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sherry Roberts, TRMC
City Secretary