

Belton City Council Meeting
October 11, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.

The Belton City Council met in regular session in the Wright Room of the Harris Community Center. Members present included Mayor Wayne Carpenter, Mayor Pro Tem David K. Leigh and Councilmembers Craig Pearson, Dan Kirkley, John R. Holmes, Sr. and Daniel Bucher. Councilmember Stephanie O'Banion was absent. Staff present included Sam Listi, Gene Ellis, John Messer, Amy Casey, Mike Rodgers, Jon Fontenot, Chris Brown, Matt Bates, Bob van Til, Tina Moore, Larry Berg, Allen Fields, Kim Kroll and Jo-Ell Guzman.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag was led by Councilmember Craig Pearson, and the pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Director of Library Services Kim Kroll. The Invocation was given by Councilmember Dan Kirkley.

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Carpenter called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. **Public Comments.** *(Audio 1:28)*

There were none.

Mayor Carpenter thanked City Staff and volunteers for their efforts in a successful National Night Out. The City partnered in twelve events.

3. **Consider minutes of September 27, 2022, City Council Meeting.** *(Audio 2:08)*

Upon a motion by Councilmember Holmes, and a second by Councilmember Pearson, the minutes were unanimously approved upon a vote of 6-0.

4. **Hold public hearings and consider the following:**

A. Z-22-33 – A zoning change from Agricultural District to Planning Development – Commercial Highway for an approximately 8.0-acre property located at 9007 S. IH 35 Service Road, east of Interstate 35 and south of East Amity Road. *(Audio 2:31)*

Planner Tina Moore presented this item.

Public Hearing:

- Chris Gutierrez spoke in favor of the zoning change and allowing a sign height of 60 feet.
- Mark Fuqua, property owner, spoke in favor of the zoning change.

No one else spoke for or against.

Councilmember Holmes made a motion for approval of the rezoning with an allowance for a 60-foot sign. He also directed Staff to review the current sign ordinance to

determine possible policy changes for future sign heights. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kirkley. The rezoning with an allowance for a 60-foot sign was approved upon a vote of 4-2 with Councilmember Bucher and Mayor Pro Tem Leigh dissenting.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-53

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON BY CHANGING THE DESCRIBED DISTRICT FROM AGRICULTURAL TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT – COMMERCIAL HIGHWAY ON AN APPROXIMATELY 8.0 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9007 SOUTH INTERSTATE 35 SERVICE ROAD.

B. Adoption of an ordinance authorizing the annexation of approximately 2.779 acres, located east of Interstate 35, south of East Amity Road, and west of Rose Lane. (Audio 40:56)

Planner Tina Moore presented this item.

Public Hearing: No one spoke for or against.

Upon a motion for approval of the annexation by Mayor Pro Tem Leigh, and a second by Councilmember Holmes, the ordinance authorizing annexation of a 2.779-acre parcel was unanimously approved upon a vote of 6-0.

ORDINANCE 2022-54

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF BELTON, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN SAID CITY LIMITS AND GRANTING TO ALL THE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF SAID CITY; AND ADOPTING A SERVICE PLAN OR AGREEMENT.

There being no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:12 p.m.


Wayne Carpenter, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy M. Casey, City Clerk