

City of Hays
City Commission
Work Session Notes

Thursday, June 2, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.

Present: Michael Berges, Sandy Jacobs, Reese Barrick, Toby Dougherty, and Kim Rupp

Absent: Mason Ruder and Shaun Musil

May 19, 2022 Work Session Notes

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the work session held on May 19, 2022; the minutes stand approved as presented.

Nuisance Abatement at 313 East 23rd Street

Jesse Rohr, Director of Public Works, reported that the property at 313 East 23rd Street has general nuisance items on the property in violation of City Ordinance. Up to this point, all proper notification has been given to the owner of the property. If the nuisance items are removed by the City, all costs of abatement will be charged to the owner of the property.

Mr. Rohr stated that the property owner recently acknowledged the issue and has mowed part of the property. He added that hopefully the nuisance items will be cleaned up prior to Commission action next week.

At the June 9, 2022 Commission meeting, Commissioners will be asked to approve the resolution to abate the nuisance items located on the property at 313 East 23rd Street, 10 days after the approval date.

Proposed Ordinance Adopting Modified Flood Regulations and New Flood Insurance Rate Maps

Jesse Rohr, Director of Public Works, stated that in early 2018, Ellis County was selected for a FEMA Risk MAP (Mapping, Assessment, and Planning) project to update floodplain mapping within the County. The intent of

the project was to update the 1986 paper-based flood maps that are currently being used, with new digital maps created using more modern methods. The new maps utilize contemporary Light Detecting and Ranging (LIDAR) technology which is ten-times more accurate than the data used for the current maps.

A kick-off meeting was held February 21, 2018 and was attended by several key stakeholders including Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources, and FEMA. Mr. Rohr stated the process to get to where we are today, took just over four years. The final step in the process is adoption of updated floodplain regulations. If approved the new flood maps will become effective on June 15, 2022.

Mr. Rohr noted that 74 properties will be added to the floodplain, 332 will be removed from the floodplain, and 1,053 will remain in the floodplain.

The adoption of this revised ordinance and the new maps will allow Hays to remain in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). This will allow citizens to get flood insurance and federally backed mortgages.

At the June 9, 2022 Commission meeting, Commissioners will be asked to approve the proposed Ordinance adopting the revised flood management regulations and updated flood maps.

Other Items for Discussion

There were no other items for discussion.

Executive Session

Sandy Jacobs moved, Michael Berges seconded, that the Governing Body recess to an executive session at 6:50 p.m. under the justification and purpose of consultation with special council for matters deemed confidential and privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), for a period not to exceed 20 minutes. The executive session included the City Commission, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and attorney representatives of Triplett Woolf Garretson, serving as Special Counsel to the City.

Vote: Ayes: Michael Berges
Sandy Jacobs
Reese Barrick

Sandy Jacobs moved, Reese Barrick seconded, that the Governing Body recess to an executive session at 7:10 p.m. under the justification and purpose of consultation with special council for matters deemed confidential and privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), for a period not to exceed 10 minutes. The executive session included the City Commission, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and attorney representatives of Triplett Woolf Garretson, serving as Special Counsel to the City.

Vote: Ayes: Michael Berges
Sandy Jacobs
Reese Barrick

No action was taken within the executive sessions.

The work session was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

Brenda Kitchen – City Clerk