

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2015

The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas met in special session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on November 16, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Brian Loughmiller, Mayor Pro Tem Travis Ussery, Council members: Chuck Branch, Don Day, Randy P. Pogue, Tracy Rath, and Rainey Rogers.

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Tom Muehlenbeck; Assistant City Manager Barry Shelton; City Attorney Mark Houser; City Secretary Sandy Hart; Planning Director Brian Lockley; Executive Director of Development Services Michael Quint; Director of Engineering Mark Hines; Interim Assistant to the City Manager Chandler Merritt; Director of Parks and Recreation Rhoda Savage; Fire Chief Danny Kistner; Engineering Gary Graham and Carla Easton; Planning Manager Brandon Opiela; Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Ryan Mullins; Housing and Community Services Janay Tieken, Shirletta Best, and Cristel Todd; Planning Jennifer Arnold, Samantha Pickett, Eleana Galacia, Steven Doss, Jason Aprill, Aaron Bloxham, and Neil Ross.

There were 22 guests present.

Mayor Loughmiller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. after determining a quorum present.

15-1120 Mayor Loughmiller called for Consideration/Discussion/Action on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, Certifying the Election Results for the November 3, 2015 Special Election. City Secretary Sandy Hart read the certified results for the election held on November 3, 2015. A total of 10,733 votes were cast or 12.6% of the registered voters. The Ordinance before you is to canvass the returns and declare the results for the election held on November 3, 2015. The official results are as follows:

Proposition #1 - \$64,100,000 for Street Improvements – Passed with a vote of:

For	7,831	Against	2,731
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Proposition #2 - \$50,000,000 for Constructing and Improving the McKinney National Airport – Failed with a vote of:

For 5,037 Against 5,436

Proposition #3 - \$22,500,000 for Public Safety Facilities – Passed with a vote of:

For 6,979 Against 3,479

Proposition #4 - \$11,700,000-- for Municipal Buildings Improvements – Passed with a vote of:

For 5,640 Against 4,729

Proposition #5 - \$10,000,000 for a Downtown Parking Facility – Failed with a vote of:

For 3,628 Against 6,977

Proposition #6 - \$2,000,000 for Flood Protection – Passed with a vote of:

For 7,360 Against 3,117

Proposition #7 - \$13,395,000 for Revocation of General Obligation Bonds for Park and Recreation Facilities – Passed with a vote of:

For 7,372 Against 3,029

Council unanimously approved the motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ussey, seconded by Councilwoman Rath, to approve an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, certifying the election results for the November 3, 2015 Special Election. Caption reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11-096

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 SPECIAL BOND ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

15-1158 Mayor Loughmiller called for Discussion and Direction Regarding Transit Service in the City of McKinney as a Result of the TAPS Board Meeting Held on November 13, 2015. Interim City Manager Tom Muehlenbeck stated there is an item on the November 17th agenda that City staff and the TAPS staff spent weeks working on to redesign the TAPS service system in the City of McKinney. Staff has been advised by members of the TAPS Board and the media last Friday that TAPS has taken the extraordinary step of removing all fixed route service which also includes ADA service in the City of McKinney. The only service they are

continuing to provide is emergency on-demand service. Ms. Susan Maclay, The Goodman Corporation, and Mr. Balasuribe, former Regional Deputy Director of FTA, who is assisting with the project, presented information to Council. Ms. Maclay stated that they have been studying the fixed route service of TAPS for the past couple of weeks and that service has changed considerably since the inception of their contract work. The question to consider this evening is what level of transit is priority for the City. We will discuss options to consider about how the City can bring funding to the McKinney UZA (Urbanized Area) to provide services. Depending on which options the Council chooses, will determine the City's level of involvement in transit. We are looking at four basic options. The first option is called Direct Recipient; the second option is a Sub-recipient and is akin to a partnership with another entity who would be a direct recipient; the third option is to continue services under TAPS; and the fourth option is to cease transit in the McKinney UZA. If you are a Direct Recipient, the City would be able to expend and receive federal funds directly from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The McKinney UZA in fiscal 2015 was allocated about \$2.7 million. Those funds are intended to benefit the residents of the McKinney UZA and they represent your tax dollars. As a Direct Recipient you have the highest level of control in how those funds are spent. You can look at the types of service, level of service, and where those services are deployed. On the flip side, you would also take on a higher administrative burden. With the second option, the Sub-recipient option, you would have an Interlocal Agreement with another local entity (North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and Dallas Area Rapid Transit). Dallas Ft. Worth expends and receives funds within its service area for the Dallas Ft. Worth UZA. Under a Sub-recipient, you would have less control as to how the funds are programmed. If the City chooses a Direct Recipient and taking on the administrative burden,

you can use federal funds to offset that cost or you can choose to enter into third party contracts to lower the direct cost and keep the City's bureaucracy manageable. The two options we believe are of greatest interest are the Direct Reciprocity and the Sub-reciprocity. Mr. Muehlenbeck stated that as a result of TAPS recent action, the agreement with The Goodman Corporation will need to be amended to have them help us evaluate the alternatives. Ms. Maclay stated that The Goodman Corporation had started a survey of the TAPS routes and will not be able to complete that survey process. They also had, as part of the scope of services, an item to do research into the existing conditions to study the service levels under TAPS and the financial situation under TAPS. Mr. Muehlenbeck stated that there are actions the Council needs to take or initiate at a special meeting this week. Mayor Loughmiller called for a special meeting on Friday, November 20, 2015 at 6:30 a.m.

Council unanimously approved the motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ussery, seconded by Councilwoman Rath, to adjourn. Mayor Loughmiller adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

BRIAN LOUGHMILLER
Mayor

ATTEST:

SANDY HART, TRMC, MMC
City Secretary