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STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA  
CITY OF IOWA COLONY

BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 15th day of July, 2019, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a worksession at 6:00 P.M. and a public hearing and a Council meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Michael Byrum-Bratsen  
Councilwoman Susan Cottrell  
Councilwoman Arnetta Murray  
Councilwoman Robin Bradbery  
Councilwoman Kacy Smajstrla  
Councilman Chad Wilsey

And none being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

#### **WORKSESSION – 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Byrum- Bratsen called the worksession to order at 6:00 p.m.

- Discuss possible amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Sections 5 and 65 on home occupations, home offices, home based businesses, and accessory structures.

Kent Marsh, Consultant City Planner, presented changes to the draft ordinance. The Council and Staff discussed the changes to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 65 Home Occupations.

- Discussion of establishing Rules of Conduct and Procedure for the City Council.

Mayor Byrum-Bratsen pushed this discussion to the following City Council meeting. The worksession was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

#### **REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

1. Mayor Byrum- Bratsen called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.

#### **3. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- Hold a public hearing on the proposed FY 20 Budget for the Crime Control Prevention District.

There were no comments from the public.

- Hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to Sections 5 and 65 of the Zoning Ordinance on home occupations, home offices, home based businesses, and accessory structures.

Douglas Chumley stated that he supports any proposals going towards home occupations.

Rebecca Hester thanked the Council and Staff for taking the time and attending multiple meetings to review and make changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

Carolyn Bowen spoke in favor of small businesses. She feels as though Iowa Colony has been based on small businesses. Ms. Bowen gave examples of home-based businesses that Iowa Colony had over the years.

- Hold a public hearing on an amendment to the Meridiana Sign Package for the entryway sign to Meridiana Section 80.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Byrum-Bratsen closed the public hearings at 7:39 p.m.

#### 4. Citizens Comments and Presentations

"An opportunity for the public to address City Council on agenda items or concerns not on the agenda. To comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act, this period is not for question and answer. Those wishing to speak must fill out the sign-up sheet at the entrance to the council chambers prior to the start of the meeting, and observe a three-minute time limit."

- Timothy Varlack stated that he had previously addressed the council and requested that we produce a searchable compendium for the statutes for the city. He asked when Council would have an agenda item that covered the status of that project. He commended the Police Department for the great work on fourth of July. He asked Council to consider providing a safe space for citizens to bring their children to use noncommercial fireworks on fourth of July, Memorial Day, and New Year's Eve.
- Gigi Mayea expressed her concern with the mail delivery service system since the street names have changed.
- Jill Myers expressed her concern with the mail delivery service system. She stated that she pays high taxes and questioned the taxes of the residents within the neighborhoods.
- Josh Walters, Assistant Chief of the ICVFD gave a presentation in regards to purchasing new equipment (jaws of life) for the Fire Department.

#### 5. Mayor's comments or reports.

- We are still working on compiling ordinances for Municode.
- The residents in the subdivisions pay for the services they receive.

#### 6. Council comments or reports.

- Councilwoman Cottrell had no comments
- Councilwoman Murray had no comments.
- Councilwoman Bradbery had no comments.
- Councilwoman Smajstrla had no comments
- Councilman Wilsey had no comments.

#### 7. Staff Reports.

##### A. City Manager

- B. City Engineer – Dinh Ho gave an update on the road improvements of CR 67 and CR 48.
- C. Police Department- Chief Bell introduced new officers Sergeant Falks and Officer Hodges.
- D. Building Inspector
- E. City Secretary

8. Consideration and possible action to adopt an ordinance annexing a 34 acre tract and a 26 acre tract, each located in the H.T. & B. R.R. Co. Survey, Section 49, Abstract 259, in Brazoria County, Texas; adjoining the west side of Iowa Colony Boulevard (County Road 65); approximately 2200 feet north of Dubuque Parkway (County Road 63); and approximately 2100 feet south of Davenport Parkway (County Road 64). Councilwoman Bradbery made a motion to approve the ordinance. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

9. Consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution approving the FY 20 Crime Control and Prevention District budget, beginning October 1, 2019. Councilwoman Bradbery moved to approve the FY 20 Crime Control and Prevention District budget beginning October 1, 2019. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

10. Consideration and possible action to adopt an ordinance amending Sections 5 and 65 of the Zoning Ordinance on home occupations, home offices, home based businesses, and accessory structures. Mayor Byrum-Bratsen moved this item to the following meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. No action taken.

11. Consideration and possible action to approve an amendment to the Meridiana Sign Package to accommodate the entryway sign to Section 80. Councilwoman Smajstrla moved to approve an amendment to the Meridiana sign package to accommodate the entryway sign to Section 80. Seconded by Councilwoman Bradbery. Approved unanimously.

12. Consideration and possible action to adopt an ordinance clarifying the sign variance of Coastal Boat and RV. Councilwoman Bradbery moved to adopt the ordinance clarifying the sign variance of Coastal Boat and RV. Seconded by Councilman Wilsey. Approved unanimously.

13. Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance authorizing an exception to the Subdivision Ordinance procedures to allow early plat approval for Meridiana Section 59. Councilwoman Cottrell moved to approve early platting for Meridiana Section 59. Seconded by Councilwoman Murray. Approved unanimously.

14. Consideration and possible action regarding a request for ambulance services within Iowa Colony. Mayor Byrum-Bratsen moved this item to the following meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. No action taken.

15. **Consent Agenda** - Consideration and possible action approving of the following Consent Agenda items. Councilwoman Cottrell made a motion to accept items on the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Wilsey. Approved unanimously.

- A. Approval of Minutes of the following meetings.

- June 17, 2019 Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Quarterly Investment Report.
- C. Approval of the following Plats as recommended by the Planning Commission.
  - Amended Plat, Meridiana Section 65
- D. Approval of infrastructure projects for final acceptance/approval as described below:
  - Sterling Lakes West Section 13 Detention Basin - approval
- E. Approve Early Plat Releases and Reimbursements as follows:
  - Sierra Vista Section 1&2
  - Karsten Phase 1
  - Sierra Vista Section 5 and Karsten Blvd. Phase 2

**EXECUTIVE SESSION- 7: 56 p.m.**

Executive Session in accordance with 551.074 Texas Gov't Code to consider the following appointments.

- Appointments to Charter Commission

Executive Session in accordance with 551.071 and 551.072 Texas Gov't Code to consult with City Attorney concerning

- Enterprise Pipeline Easement on City property.

Executive Session in accordance with 551.072 Texas Gov't Code to deliberate on land sale and/or acquisition –

- Property next to city hall.
- Easement with ICVFD.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION- 8:52 p.m.**

16. Consideration and possible action regarding appointments to the Charter Commission. Councilwoman Murray made a motion to nominate the following people for the Charter Commission.

1. Bryan Owens
2. Marge Madarianga
3. Robert Wall
4. Carol Wall
5. Michael Holton
6. Tommy Varlach
7. Rebecca Hester
8. Brenda Dillon
9. Sydney Hargroder
10. Diana Tahtinen

11. Douglas Chumley
12. Brenda Ledbetter
13. Perry Roberts
14. Steven Byrum-Bratsen
15. Rebecca Barnett

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Mayor Byrum-Bratsen stated that there will be two alternates that will be asked to attend the meetings. Approved unanimously.

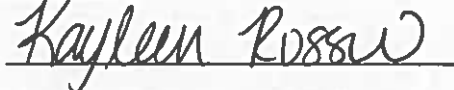
17. Consideration and possible action regarding property adjacent to City Hall. No action taken.

18. Approval of a utility and easement agreement with IC Volunteer Fire Department for joint use of a newly constructed septic system. No action taken.

19. Councilwoman Bradbery made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

APPROVED THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019.

ATTEST:



Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary



Michael Byrum-Bratsen, Mayor

