



City of Grand Prairie

City Hall
317 College Street
Grand Prairie, Texas

Minutes - Final

City Council

Tuesday, October 30, 2018

5:30 PM

City Hall - Council Chambers
317 College Street

Call to Order

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:30P.M.

Executive Session

An executive session was not held.

Items for Individual Consideration

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Second reading and Ordinance adopting a 90-day moratorium on the acceptance and processing of applications and permits for development and use of commercial property within the corporate limits of the City for industrial tilt-wall buildings designed to accommodate industrial uses, including the storage and movement of goods or freight by the utilization of heavy load vehicles

Mayor Ron Jensen advised today is the first meeting to hear this item and that there would not be a vote tonight. Planning Director Steve Norwood presented information on points of industrial development since 2014, which are predominantly in the northern part of the city. Mr. Norwood informed there are approximately \$2.5 million in office warehouses currently under permit review. Council Member Jeff Wooldridge and Mayor Jensen both inquired whether or not these permits have already passed through. Mr. Norwood confirmed. Mr. Norwood discussed the purpose of a moratorium and advised a moratorium does not rezone property nor change development regulations. He reviewed four areas of consideration of the exception found is in the proposed ordinance. Mayor Pro Tem Copeland asked if someone brought forth a deal after the fact, would it be considered. Mr. Norwood said no. Mr. Norwood reviewed the timeline and City Attorney Megan Mahan confirmed it complies with current law. Council Member Jim Swafford asked why there would be a temporary moratorium. Ms. Mahan explained the process. Mayor Pro Tem Copeland asked when voting would take place. Ms. Mahan said she would confirm the date. Mr. Norwood advised there would be a meeting the following day with Freese and Nichols to get input. Mayor Jensen advised that in the end this development may include warehouses but said we owe it to our citizens to have a moment to review the information before them. Speaker Brad Cooper of 3819 Maple Ave, Dallas, Texas 75209, came forward to speak and asked for a plat. Mayor Jensen advised the information would soon be provided to him. Mr. Will Munding of 3819 Maple Ave, completed a speaker card in opposition to the item but advised he was merely there to answer questions. Former Council Member Tony Shotwell of 309 NE 31st, came forward to speak about zoning restrictions.

Enactment No: RES 4981-2018

Adjournment

Mayor Jensen adjourned the meeting at 5:45P.M.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the November 20, 2018, meeting.

Mona Lisa Galicia, Deputy City Secretary