



ACTION MINUTES
Wilmer City Council Regular Meeting
December 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Council Present

Sheila Petta, Mayor Pro Tem
Sergio Campos, Councilmember
Melissa Ramirez, Councilmember
John Eggen, Councilmember

Absent

Emmanuel Wealthy-Williams, Mayor
Candy Madrigal, Councilmember

City Staff Present

John Hubbard, Interim City Administrator
Patsy Patten, City Secretary
Missie Schwab, Finance Director

CALL TO ORDER At 7:03 pm, Mayor Pro Tem Petta called the meeting to order. Members present were Mayor Pro Tem Petta, Councilmember Campos, Councilmember Ramirez, and Councilmember Eggen. Mayor Wealthy-Williams and Councilmember Madrigal were absent.

INVOCATION - Invocation was led by Police Chief Kemp.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Wilmer City Councilmembers

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – Diane Alrousan addressed the Council concerning the Tree Lighting. She was disappointed that the Mayor and Council were not in attendance.

Benjamin Pena signed up but then declined to speak.

Ann Hester addressed the Council about the drainage problem in the city, tall grass issues, fire hazards and a vacant house that needs to be torn down. She also brought up the new apartments and their sewage issues, Southport and the condition of streets and curbs.

Lorrie McDonald addressed the Council about how little income is in the community. We need more people to come and live in the City who bring in a higher income to help Wilmer. We need to plan for bigger and better things like those that are in the comprehensive plan.

Maria Garcia addressed the Council about the age list and other requirements on the WISH program for Christmas.

COMMUNITY INTEREST – Mayor Pro Tem Petta thanked all of those who donated to the WISH program and stated that we were able to help many more families and seniors this year.

Interim City Administrator Hubbard addressed the Council about the water leak from earlier in the day and how Hutchins had offered to help with fixing the line. He also commented on the erroneous article printed in the Ellis County Press and stated that the reporter has been given the facts about the EMLI sewage situation so that the citizens would have the correct information and assurance that the city is following the law and operating properly.

SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICERS – Chief Kemp swore in two new officers and promoted four additional officers to sergeant. New officers were Rayan Mutina and Joseph Daner. John Rhodes was promoted to Senior Sergeant, William Jackson and Alex Lopez were promoted to the position of Sergeant. Carl Laza was recognized as having been promoted to Sergeant back in October of 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider Approval of Minutes for the Special Called Meeting on December 5, 2018.**
2. **Ratification of Expenditures from December 3 - 14, 2018.**
3. **Discuss and Consider Resolution No. R18-1220A Canceling the January 3, 2019 Council Meeting.**

Mayor Pro Tem Petta called for a motion. Councilmember Eggen moved to accept the Consent Agenda, Councilmember Ramirez second. The motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Petta, Eggen, Ramirez, Campos)

The Interim City Administrator asked that the Council take Item #9 and conduct Executive Session prior to the Public Hearings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. **The City Council Shall Convene into Closed Executive Session under Texas Govt. Code Sections §551.071 (Advice of Attorney) and §551.074 (Personnel) with Regard to a Matter that is the Duty of the Attorney to Consult with Council and Falls Under the Attorney-Client Privilege or With Regard to a Matter that Involves Litigation or Contemplated Litigation or Claims. To Discuss Reorganization of the Finance and HR Departments.**

Mayor Pro Tem Petta opened Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.
Mayor Pro Tem Petta closed Executive Session at 8:13 p.m.

The City Council reconvened into open session at 8:17 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

4. **Conduct the second of two public hearings on the proposed voluntary annexation of a 101.6± acre tract of land, said property being generally located at the northwest corner of Patrick Pike Road and N. Roberts Road, Dallas County, Texas (legal description: Tracts 1 and 1.1 in the Charles Neely Survey, Abstract No. 1083, in Dallas County, Texas).**
Applicant: El Alasan Yel Rosillo, LLC

Mayor Pro Tem Petta opened the Public Hearing at 8:17 p.m.
City Planner Sefko explained that this is the second public hearing concerning annexing the land stated. She clarified that the owner who initiated the annexation sold the property to Mr. Bill Olsen and everything is in order with State Law Chapter 43.

Mr. Steele interrupted the Public Hearing telling the Council they needed to vote to take no action on Executive Session. Councilmember Eggen moved to take no action on Item #9, second by Councilmember Campos. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

The Public Hearing resumed with Mayor Pro Tem asking for those who wanted to speak in favor of the annexation: none

Those who spoke in opposition included: Lorrie McDonald
Ann Hester
Rachel Hefner
Mary Phinney
Jonathan Herd
Angela Dawson
John Phinney
Diane Hefner
Jeff Steele
Benjamin Johnson
Raul Nunes

Mayor Pro Tem Petta closed the Public Hearing at 8:42 p.m.

5. **Conduct the second of two public hearings on the proposed voluntary annexation of an 86.0± acre tract of land, said property being generally located at the northwest corner of Patrick Pike Road and Cook Road, Dallas County, Texas (legal description: Tract 1 in the John Little Survey, Abstract No. 811, in Dallas County, Texas).
*Applicant: Mars Road Partners, Ltd.***

Mayor Pro Tem opened the Public Hearing at 8:43 p.m.

Those who spoke in opposition of annexation: Mary Phinney
Benjamin Johnson
Ann Hester
Lorrie McDonald
John Phinney
Rachel Hefner
Jeff Steele
Diane Haas

Mayor Pro Tem Petta closed the Public Hearing at 8:52 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS –

6. **Discuss and Consider Approval of Resolution No. R18-1220B Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Amended Council Policies and Procedures to Allow the City Secretary to Add Items to the Agenda as Requested.**

Mayor Pro Tem Petta called for a motion. Councilmember Ramirez moved to accept Resolution No. R18-1220B to amend Council Agenda Procedures, second by Councilmember Campos. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Petta, Eggen, Ramirez, Campos)

7. **Discuss and Consider Approval of Resolution No. R18-1220C Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement to Provide Alternate Judge Services to the City of Wilmer.**

Mayor Pro Tem Petta called for a motion. Mayor Pro Tem moved not to renew the contract of the Alternate Judge, second by Councilmember Campos. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Petta, Eggen, Ramirez, Campos)

8. Discuss and Consider Approval and Authorization of the Mayor to Sign the Economic Performance Agreements with Schneider National Carriers, Inc. and WEDC and WDCD.

Mayor Pro Tem Petta called for a motion. Councilmember Eggen moved to take no action at this time, second by Councilmember Ramirez. Motion passed unanimously 4-0. (Petta, Eggen, Ramirez, Campos)

ADJOURN There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Petta adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

APPROVE

Sheila Petta
Sheila Petta, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST

Patsy Patten
Patsy Patten, City Secretary

