



CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Public Safety Training Room, Police Station, 7286 Dietz Elkhorn, Fair Oaks Ranch

Live Stream: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDqRvLvReqxrh1lbajwshKA/live>

MINUTES

OPEN MEETING

1. Roll Call - Declaration of a Quorum

Council Present: Mayor Maxton and Council Members Stroup, Elizondo, Koerner, Muenchow, and Parker.

Council Absent: Council Member Bliss

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

CITIZENS and GUEST FORUM

3. Citizens to be heard - None

PRESENTATIONS

4. Joanna Merrill, IPMA-SCP, Director of Human Resources and Communications, provided to Council a presentation regarding the Purple Heart City designation and Purple Heart Street Signs. She invited everyone to attend the official unveiling at City Hall on Friday, January 20, 2023 at 10:00 AM.
5. Laura Koerner, City Council Member Place 4, presented a Proclamation honoring and thanking Chief Hardenstine for his 45-years of service to our City and the Leon Springs area as Fire Chief of the Leon Springs Fire Department.
6. Laura Koerner, City Council Member Place 4, introduced the newly appointed Chief of the Leon Springs Fire Department, Chief Craig Ramon.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. **Approval of the January 5, 2023 Regular City Council meeting minutes.**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Muenchow, seconded by Council Member Parker, to approve the Consent Agenda.

VOTE: 6-0; Motion Passed.

CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. **Consideration and possible action to take from the table the Resolution and its amendment relating to the approval of allocating portions of the fund balance of the general fund and authorizing the Director of Finance to carry forward continuing appropriations to FY 2022-23.**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Elizondo, seconded by Council Member Koerner, to take from the table a motion and its amendment related to the approval of a Resolution allocating portions of the fund balance of the general fund and authorizing the Director of Finance to carry forward continuing appropriations to FY 2022-23.

VOTE: 6-0; Motion Passed.

MOTION TO AMEND: Made by Council Member Muenchow, seconded by Council Member Koerner, to strike out the words specifically “allocating portions of the General Fund Balance” and leaving in “approve a Resolution authorizing the Finance Director to carry forward continuing appropriations for year-end encumbrances, contractual commitments, and capital projects”.

VOTE TO AMEND: 6-0; Motion Passed.

AMENDED MOTION: Made by Council Member Koerner, seconded by Council Member Muenchow, to approve a Resolution authorizing the Finance Director to carry forward continuing appropriations for year-end encumbrances, contractual commitments, and capital projects.

VOTE: 6-0; Motion Passed.

9. **Consideration and possible action accepting grant on behalf of the Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department from the Office of the Governor for ballistic shields.**

MOTION: Made by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Stroup, to approve the City’s acceptance of a Grant award to purchase equipment for the Police Department in the amount of \$61,750.00.

VOTE: 6-0; Motion Passed.

REPORTS FROM STAFF AND COMMITTEES**10. Civic Center Update.**

Tobin E. Maples, AICP, City Manager, notified Council that Grant Watanabe, P.E., Director of Public Works & Engineering Services, will lead efforts on this project moving forward. Expected actions from Council in the future will be to approve a design contract to develop a full set of plans so that the City can go out for bids, and for an extension of the grant application from the MDD or possibly enhancing the application.

11. Post Oak Trail Project Update.

Grant Watanabe, P.E., Director of Public Works & Engineering Services, provided to Council an update regarding the Post Oak Trail Project. Mr. Watanabe described the project and impacts to the residents.

REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**12. Announcements and reports by Mayor and Council Members.**

Council Member Stroup informed Council that she attended an informative and beneficial seminar at the San Antonio Botanical Gardens earlier that day with Kelsey Delgado, Environmental Project Manager, regarding tree preservation and oak wilt. Council Member Stroup and Ms. Delgado will provide information from the seminar at the next regular City Council Meeting.

Mayor Maxton informed everyone that Bulk Trash Pickup is going well and Sectors 1 and 2 have been completed. The Transportation Townhall Meeting has been scheduled for January 24, 2023 at 6:30 PM at the Spring Creek United Methodist Church and encouraged residents to attend and provide feedback. The State of the City Address is scheduled for February 15, 2023 at the Country Club beginning at 6:00 PM. The Mayor asked residents to look out for information and details from City Staff within the next week on purchasing tickets when available. Mayor Maxton asked residents to consider serving as poll workers in the upcoming City Election. More information will be posted on the City Website within the next week.

13. Announcements by the City Manager.

None.

14. Requests by Mayor and Council Members that items be placed on a future City Council agenda.

None

CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Section 551.101 of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Gov't Code, a quorum of the governing body convened into closed session at 7:24 PM regarding:

Sec. 551.072 (Deliberation regarding real property)

17. The City Council met in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property that may be considered for future location of water and wastewater system improvements.

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18. The City Council convened in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, personnel, to deliberate the duties and performance of the City Manager, Tobin Maples. City Manager Maples may request the deliberation be conducted in open session.

City Council did not convene into Executive Session regarding:

Sec. 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) the City Council will meet in private consultation with legal counsel to seek the advice of its attorneys about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, and/or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Government Code; to wit:

15. To receive legal advice from Special Counsel and the City Attorney regarding the City's ground water rights.
16. Case No. 22-090-451; Vincent A. Caldarola, MD vs. City of Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

City Council reconvened into Open Session at 8:59 PM. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Maxton adjourned the meeting at 8:59 PM.

ATTEST:

Gregory C. Maxton, Mayor

Christina Picioccio, TRMC, City Secretary