

# CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MINUTES

Monday, March 11, 2024 6:00 PM

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## STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BRAZORIA CITY OF IOWA COLONY

BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 11th day of March 2024, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a Worksession at 6:00 P.M. at the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Wil Kennedy Mayor Pro Tem Marquette Greene-Scott Councilmember Arnetta Murray Councilmember McLean Barnett Councilmember Tim Varlack Councilmember Sydney Hargroder

And Councilmember Kareem Boyce being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

## CALL TO ORDER

The worksession was called to order at 6:02 P.M.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. Discussion of city facilities being used as polling locations.

The City Council discussed tents and signage regulations for the November 2024 election as the Public Safety Building will be used as a polling place on election day. Councilmember Varlack stated we could regulate the size of the tents. Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott and Councilmember Hargroder do not want tents as there are limited parking spaces and they take up parking spaces. Councilmember Murray would like them to be able to have tents. Councilmember Barnett asked if we could get an estimate of the number of parking spaces. This discussion will be placed on the next worksession for another discussion.

2. Discussion on a proposed multifamily development in Sierra Vista.

David Adame with Alliance Residential presented a proposed multi-family development. The development will be on approximately 13-acres with a total of 297 units. With this site they would put about 20% covered parking which is about 60 spaces. The requirement that the city has on covered parking would cost them about another \$350,000. They are asking for a change to the masonry requirement. They are also asking for a request for parking ratio to be less than the

city's requirement. This development will have 219 one-bedroom units and about 78 twobedroom units. Councilmember Hargroder verified that they are requesting a total of three variances including covered parking, masonry requirements, and parking ratio. Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott asked what the proposed reduction in the masonry would be? Councilmember Varlack asked if the previous developer shared the requirements of the lot with them before they decided to go under contract. Mr. Adame said the previous developer shared the requirements with them. They are asking to amend the requirements to help meet the demand and provide a great product. Councilmember Hargroder stated that the economic hardship on the developer is not the city's problem. Councilmember Barnet agrees that people in this area will pay the premium for covered parking. He does not agree with having less spots because residents will have visitors and they will not have any parking and will then begin parking on the streets.

## ADJOURNMENT

The worksession was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2024

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

