

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

Joint Special Meeting

June 26, 2024

Council Vice President Jim Kozumplik opened the special meeting with the following members present: F. John Betts, Richard Hupe, and Stephen Alspaugh. Council President Mary Leatherman was absent. Also attending were: Board of Public Affairs members Karen Ford, Annette Schreiner, Dick Long, Jim Salsbury, and Bob Eyre, as well as Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, City Engineer Brian Wieland, and Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner.

Ordinance No. 23, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO SELL CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE NO. 17-2024 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH NIHART REAL ESTATE, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PART OF TAX PARCEL 063-180-01-001.000, SAID PART BEING KNOWN AS THE WEST 15 ACRES OF THE TAX PARCEL.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland explained that City Council had previously authorized the sale of 6.49 acres in the South Industrial Park to Nihart Real Estate, LLC for development of a distribution facility. Nihart Real Estate would prefer a 15-acre site, but nothing that large was available in the South Industrial Park. Request is to rescind the original sales authorization and sell a 15-acre portion of a 20-acre parcel in the North Industrial Park to Nihart. There is another interested party in the original 6.49 acres; details to follow. Further discussion was held on electricity requirements of the facility, the sufficiency of the existing road leading to the parcel, and what future development in the North Industrial Park site might look like in light of splitting the parcel to be sold. City Engineer Wieland noted that long-term plans for the distribution facility could generate up to 130 jobs.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 23, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Leatherman absent.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 23, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Leatherman absent.

During the joint meeting, the Bryan Board of Public Affairs approved a related resolution, No. 13, 2024, authorizing the purchase agreement with Nihart Real Estate, LLC.

Several members of both the Bryan City Council and Bryan Board of Public Affairs thanked City Engineer Wieland and expressed enthusiasm for the economic development activity.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Leatherman absent.

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer