

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 19, 2018

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Bert Echterling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. **Invocation.** None
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** None.
4. **Roll call.** Councilmembers present: Jimmy Rogers, Jeremy Stivener, Brenton Lane, Bert Echterling, Steve Janics, and Steven Tindell. Mayor Pro Tem Jim Mastergeorge was absent.
5. **Consider and possible action approving a Development Agreement between the City of Robinson and Tate Avenue Investments, LLC, and authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$301,297.43 from Wastewater Bond Funds.** City Manager Craig Lemin and Planning and Development Director Justin French presented this item. Mr. Lemin stated on June 15, 2018, outstanding comments on the preliminary plat of the Eskew Estates Addition were complied with, and the developer was also given notice to proceed with early grading. Mr. Lemin stated city staff and the developer have proposed an agreement that has the developer constructing an extension of an 18” sanitary sewer line from the abandoned Lyndale Lift Station to and through the Eskew Estates Addition with the City reimbursing the developer \$301,297.43 for the oversizing of the six-inch sanitary sewer line the developer needs for his development. Mr. Lemin said in partnering with the developer, the City anticipates a cost savings of approximately \$113,193.39 while moving forward with goal statements from the 2034 Community Visions Comprehensive Plan, and construction of this 18” gravity-flowing sanitary sewer line will also create opportunity for the Robinson Independent School District to eliminate a private lift station serving Robinson High School by providing gravity-flow service to the general area. Councilmember Jimmy Rogers asked if the engineering fees were included in the cost estimate provided. Mr. Lemin said the engineering fees were approximately \$14,000 and were not included in the figure provided; however, this is significantly less than what we would pay our engineers if they were doing the work. Councilmember Brenton Lane asked if staff and our engineers had done their due diligence regarding the cost of the project. Mr. Lemin said the city required the developer to provide a cost estimate which the engineers reviewed and it appears to be in line with the cost of the first phase of the project. Councilmember Lane voiced great concerns regarding the closure of Tate and asked if staff had look at other options such as boring in leu of closing the street. Mr. Lemin stated only open trenching was looked at because of the 18” line, and they would no straight crossing. Mr. Lemin also stated future projects are anticipated in conjunction with the 18” line, and boring may prohibit this. Councilmember Lane asked how the city can be sure the road would be built back correctly. Mr. French stated testing will be required and reviewed by our engineers, as well as being built to city standards. Mr. Lemin stated should we want to bore, this would not only impact the design, but could

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cost an additional \$30,000 to \$50,000 and the developer would most likely ask the city to pick up these costs. Councilmember Stivener stated boring does not appear to be cost effective and would reverse any cost saving to the city as mentioned earlier by Mr. Lemin. Councilmember Jimmy Rogers motioned to approve the Development Agreement between the City of Robinson and Tate Avenue Investments, LLC, and authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$301,297.43 from Wastewater Bond Funds. Councilmember Jeremy Stivener seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Stivener, Janics, Tindell and Echterling. Motion carried by a vote of 5-1 with Councilmember Lane voting in opposition.

6. **Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.