



**City of Spring Branch**

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**Spring Branch, Texas 78070**

**Minutes of City Commission Meeting  
City of Spring Branch, Texas**

**October 14, 2024**

**Meeting was held at Fire Station #6, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch**

- 1) Call to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Mayor James Mayer, Commissioner Brad Hockman, Commissioner David Dobbins, and City Clerk Terrie Barnes.**
  - a) Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2) Mayor Mayer asked if anyone had read the minutes from the September Regular & Special Meetings. Commissioner Hockman moved to waive reading aloud the minutes for the September 2024 regular meeting and September Special Meeting. Second by Commissioner Dobbins. The September meetings minutes were approved. No opposed.**
- 3) The Financial report for the month ending September 2024 was read by Mayor Mayer.**
- 4) Review and consider approval of lighting permits. We have received applications from Whataburger & Fischers Market for their signage as well as property lights. They have, so far, complied with the Lighting Ordinance with exception of their aerial lighting which will be reviewed in future once submitted. In near future, we will be drafting form correspondence letter's to current businesses, within city limits, either thanking them for being compliant with the Lighting Ordinance, or letters to those that may have installed new lighting but failed to submit lighting applications and the third correspondence type urging established businesses to comply with our Lighting Ordinance.**

- 5) **Discuss and consider formalizing a consulting agreement with Crossroads LED Company. To have professional guidance on analyzing and reviewing lighting specifications. We will table to another meeting until we receive the consulting agreement. Mayor Mayer mentioned the City has purchased a digital Spectrometer that can accurately and reliably read CCT color temperatures, candles, lumens or any area of the lighting spectrum to assist us with determining if signage and lighting fixtures are within compliance.**
- 6) **Review and consider Proclamation naming October 2024 as “Hill Country Night Sky Month”. The proclamation was read aloud by Michelle Molina with International Dark Sky. All approved Proclamation. No opposed**
- 7) **Public Comments: No public comments on agenda items. Further FYI comments from Bulverde Spring Branch Chamber of Commerce. The 7/11 convenience store at the intersection at HWY 46 & Hwy 281 has officially opened. Methodist ER of Bulverde will open October 25<sup>th</sup> it took over the space from the former Physician Premier location. Whataburger plans on opening on December 9<sup>th</sup> at the new Fischers Market on US 281 & FM 306 location. Advance Auto Parts should open sometime in November. Question asked if the City has had any follow up conversations with Comal County regarding the nighttime lighting and Dark Sky compliance at the Jumbo Evans sports complex. Robert Boyd is the new county engineer; he has embraced and is committed support to Dark Sky.**

**There being no further business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.**



**Approved - James Mayer, Mayor**



**Attest - Terrie Barnes, City Clerk**