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Council Approves Two Site Plans; Authorizes Application for TPWD Grant for Pilot Knoll Park Boat Ramp

At the April 11 meeting, Council approved a site plan for the construction of a 5,975 sq. ft. temple at 105 Barnett Boulevard. The property is currently zoned SF-40 and the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance allows a church or place of religious worship within all Zoning Districts in the City. The owner plans to construct three buildings on the property eventually; this site plan only provides for the location and construction of one building and related parking improvements. The owner proposes the removal of 22 trees to accommodate the development of the property and planting 14 replacement trees along Barnett Blvd. Additionally, the owner will plant 110,500 square feet of Bermuda turf around a large portion of the property and areas of disturbance. The proposed landscaping plan complies with ordinance requirements. Construction of a sidewalk along Barnett Blvd. is required. Planning and Zoning Commission, on a vote of 5-0, recommended approval of the site plan.

Council also approved a second site plan for construction of a Brakes Plus to be located at 2370 Justin Road. A Chase Bank building is currently located at the property and will be demolished. The Brakes Plus building will be approximately 4,915 sq. ft., taking 0.62 acres on the western portion of the lot. Minor automotive is a permitted use with the current zoning of the property. Brakes Plus requested signs on the east, south and west elevations of the proposed building, however Planning & Zoning recommended approval but with the removal of the wall sign on the east elevation of the building. Brakes Plus will share the existing site monument sign with whomever may lease the remaining property in the future. Brakes Plus will construct a sidewalk along FM 407 even though the sidewalk is outside of its leased area. Council approved the site plan with signs on the south and west, as recommended by Planning and Zoning Commission.

Council approved a resolution authorizing the application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Recreational Boating Access Grant Program for Phase 1 of the Pilot Knoll Park Redevelopment Project. In September 2021, Council approved the issuance of Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$6.413 Million for Parks, with \$620,000 allocated for major improvements to the boat ramp at Pilot Knoll Park. The City is seeking grants from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) to help with the funding and approval of a resolution by Council is required for grant submission. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Boating Access Grant Program assists local government agencies in developing boat access throughout the state. The Program provides 75% matching grants on a reimbursement basis to eligible applicants. The city will be responsible for 25% of the project's total cost. The matching maximum amount is \$250K for Planning and \$1 million for construction. The resolution is for the Planning Grant, Phase 1.

During Mayor and Council comments, Mayor Jaworski presented a proclamation designating Child Abuse Prevention Month and another proclamation designating Mental Health Awareness Month and Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

During the City Manager's Report, the [Village Report](#) reminded residents of early and election day voting dates and times, the Highland Village Art Festival on May 6 and Paper Shredding Day on April 29.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Frontier 43), via website live streaming at www.highlandvillage.org/hvtv and on the City's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/highlandvillagetx. The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city [website](#).