

Council Work Session

October 17, 2017

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 5:00pm.

Invocation given by Mayor Harley.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Armijo.

Welcome extended to all by Mayor Harley. In addition, emphasized to everyone that during the council meeting no side talk will be allowed, no whispering during meeting, causes distraction. Please go outside and talk.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Cameron W. Andrews, Councilman Randall Wright, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward D. Armijo and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings.

Public Comments

None

Old Business

Approval of Square Agreement: Councilman Evans recognized Director of Marketing Mrs. Hogan. Mrs. Hogan is seeking approval tonight to move forward with agreement. The agreement has been reviewed by City Accountant and City Attorney. Motion to approve made by Councilman Evans; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried. Councilman Armijo stated he had spoken with City Accountant Harrison and she recommended chip reader and mag strip reader for free. This is a budgeted item. Mayor Harley interrupted the discussion instructing the general public to stop talking and publicly declared this a formal warning and if they continue will be asked to leave meeting. Councilman Evans stated that we (Mayor and Council) should leave it up to the professionals regarding the device that will be purchased. Mayor Harley called for vote. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Evans to add Resolution Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant under old business; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Old Business

Resolution Land & Water Grant: Director of Marketing Hogan read resolution (dirt and grading). Motion made by Councilman Evans to approve resolution; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Councilman Armijo expressed concern requesting more information than what has been provided, wanting more time to review provided documents before making a decision, requested that the item be tabled. Councilman Evans explained that deadline to approve the resolution is November 1st and this is the last Council meeting until after that date. Councilman

Andrews asked Mrs. Hogan if this item had been discussed at a prior council meeting. Mrs. Hogan confirmed “yes”. Mayor Harley called for vote. Councilman Andrews, Councilman Wright, Councilman Evans and Mayor Harley vote in favor. Councilman Armijo opposes. Motion carried. See Resolution 2017-7.

New Business

Speed Zone Ordinance: Councilman Armijo deferred to Chief Hadden. Chief Hadden provided a copy of the speed zone ordinance to Mayor and Council and informed them that there was an update to their list that was included in their packets. Chief Hadden reported to everyone that he had been contacted back in August from DOT to update street list. Chief Hadden worked with Captain Boney to update list of roads and provided recommended list to DOT for approval. Motion made by Council Armijo to approve speed zone ordinance; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried. See Ordinance 2017-4.

Point of Information-Reserve Policy and Patrol Rifle Policy: Councilman Armijo referred to Chief Hadden. Chief Hadden informed Mayor and Council that he is working with command staff to revise current SEP Policies. Currently in the beginning phases, looking at high liability policies, deadly force. They have been rewritten and City Attorney Tydings has reviewed the revised policies. Councilman Evans thanked Chief Hadden for updating these policies. No motion or action taken. This serves solely as point of information.

Budget Resolution- 2nd Budget Amendment FY 2017: Councilman Andrews recognized City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison provided a copy of resolution and summary of amendments with detail; seeking approval. Once we amend, the final actual statement General Fund - a positive net change and will increase \$175,000. The General Fund sustained itself this year. Motion made by Councilman Andrews to adopt budget resolution as written; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried. See Resolution 2017-8.

Discussion-Recycling Center Improvements: Councilman Wright reported that due to the increase of traffic especially on Saturday, customers are parking in the street and walking, unsafe. Seeking approval to expend \$ 2,500 to pour new concrete pad. City Accountant Harrison confirmed there are funds available in the Sanitation budget to take care of the improvements. Councilman Wright made motion to decrease transfer out line item and increase repairs and maintenance in Sanitation Fund in the amount \$2,500 for improvements; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Comments from Council

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, stated he is glad to be here tonight and welcomed everyone, citizens, and media. Councilman Armijo, reported that he had visited the Georgia National Fair and was proud to see Fire Department doing a great job, impressed by the smoke trailer; public service is a great thing.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, reminded everyone, not to forget the Fall Festival October 28. Also, the Fire Department will be at the Houston Galleria Mall this weekend, October 20th. In closing, thanked everyone for coming to meeting, inviting citizens to come and discuss concerns.

Post 2 Councilman Wright, no comment.

Post 1 Councilman Andrews, no comment.

Mayor Harley, wanted to clear up something, Mayor and Councilman serve at large, no certain areas; responsible for the entire city. Mayor Harley stated he had attended an event this week “Remembrance of hope together we stand”. Reporting there has been 80 deaths reported from abuse in 2016. Also, mentioned (2) courageous ladies that gave their testimony; very moving.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 5:35pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date