



MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON JULY 25, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE MEADOWS PLACE CITY HALL, 1 TROYAN DRIVE, MEADOWS PLACE, TX 77477

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Jessup, at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor, Charles D. Jessup, IV	City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford
Mayor Pro Tempore, Terry J. Henley	Alderman, John F. Isbell
Alderman, Rick J. Staigle	

Alderman, Steven H. Bezner and Alderman, Kelle K. Mills were not present.

Staff in attendance: Colene Cabezas, Parks & Recreation Director.

B. Review and discuss the Proposed Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget

Alderman Henley brought up the TML Healthy Initiative Program offered to employees. He wanted to look at a possible program that would require employees to pay a fee to the City if they did not complete the TML Healthy Initiative Program. There was brief discussion among Council and they agreed to discuss this at a later date.

1. Review and discuss the Proposed 2017-2018 Parks Departmental Budget

Parks and Recreation Director, Colene Cabezas, presented a detailed overview of the proposed budget items for the Parks and Recreation Department. Questions were posed by Council and there was brief discussion among Council and Ms. Cabezas regarding staffing, facility uses, and capital improvement projects for the future. A copy of the presentation was filed with the City Secretary.

C. Review and discuss Resale Certification of Compliance

Mayor Jessup stated that this issue has come up several times at the residential Occupancy Inspection, because new owners are being required to replace the driveway due to City Ordinance. City Ordinance states driveways which contain a vertical difference of two (2) inches or more of the surface, a horizontal separation of two (2) inches or more of the surface, or which have a low or sunken surface causing water to stand or pool constitute hazardous conditions. The City wants to find a way to inspect driveways prior to homes being sold and putting it on the current owner to repair prior to selling.

Mayor Jessup has talked to the City Attorney regarding a resale certificate and they advised that the City does not have the authority to provide notice of violations to prospective buyers. As a general law City, they City is unable to require a seller or buyer to obtain a resale certificate. As an alternative the City may create a Building and Standards Commission which could determine driveway violations and order repairs to be made within a fixed period.

There was brief discussion among the Council regarding driveway repairs and who should be responsible for making them. Mayor Jessup suggested that Council should schedule a workshop in the future with the City Attorney and discuss their options.

D. Discussion regarding payment to Fort Bend County Appraisal District

Mayor Jessup reported that a commercial property within the City of Meadows Place contested their appraisal with Fort Bend County Appraisal District and won. Since they had already paid their taxes Fort Bend County Appraisal District had to refund the property owner, therefor the City had to send a check for \$14,249.20 to the appraisal district.

E. Review items on the July 25, 2017 Regular Agenda

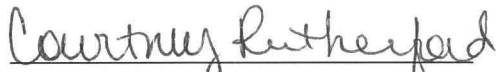
Council briefly reviewed the upcoming agenda items scheduled to be discussed at tonight's meeting.

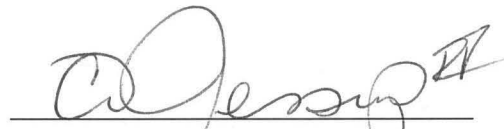
F. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Staigle moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henley and with unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the City Council on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

ATTEST:


Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary


Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor

