

Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor John F. Isbell, Sr., Alderman Rick J. Staigle, Alderman Terry J. Henley, Mayor Pro Tem Steven H. Bezner, Alderman Kelle K. Mills, Alderman

Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT MEADOWS PLACE CITY HALL, ONE TROYAN DRIVE, MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS.

## 1. Call to Order and Announce Quorum is Present

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jessup at 7:00 p.m. with the following present:

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

Alderman, Steven H. Bezner was not present.

#### 2. Regular Agenda

a. Conduct the second public hearing giving all persons interested the right to appear and to be heard on the proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 5.40 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code).

Mayor Jessup opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 pm and stated that the purpose of today's hearing is to give all interested parties the right to appear and be heard regarding the City's proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 5.40 percent. Mayor Jessup called upon anyone desiring to speak. Mayor Jessup then waited to see if anybody would should up to speak at the Public Hearing.

Mark, resident at 12030 Cedar Form, asked why Council was increasing the taxes. Alderman Staigle explained that they are actually lowering the tax rate, but since home values have gone up residents will be paying more in taxes.

Mayor Jessup stated The City Council will meet on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Meadows Place City Hall, 1 Troyan Drive, Meadows Place, Texas, for the purpose of voting on the proposed tax rate. There being no one else desiring to speak, Mayor Jessup closed this public hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Council recessed at 7:06 p.m. to move into the Conference Room and reconvened at 7:08 p.m.

#### b. Discuss interim traffic control on S Kirkwood

Mayor Jessup explained that the City received a report regarding S Kirkwood and a few months later an engineer agreement was awarded. Recently a City Manager received a ticker for running a stop sign along Kirkwood and has submitted a public information and is challenging the ticket. Mayor Jessup has done some research and contacted the City's legal counsel and they state we are ok. The report states stop signs are only warranted at Scottsdale and Dorrance. This item is just to let Council know what is going on and staff working on it and will follow the advice of legal counsel.

## c. Review and discuss budget calculations and projections.

There was discussion among Council regarding budget calculations and projections. Council reviewed utility rates and the number of minimum bill accounts. There was also discussion about ad valorem tax revenue.

Council also stated that if the budget looks tight staff can hold off on some CIP items and even cancel some if necessary.

## 3. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Mills made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henley and with unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the City Council on Tuesday, October 25, 2016.

ATTEST:

Courtner Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor Courtney Rutherfold, City