



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021 AT 5:30 P.M., VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM.

A. Call to order and announce a quorum is present.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Charles D. Jessup IV, at 5:30 p.m. with the following present via videoconference:

Mayor, Charles D. Jessup, IV
Alderman, Tia Baker
Alderman, Kellie Mills

Mayor Pro-Tem, Kurt Kopczynski
Aldermen, Rick J. Staigle

Nick Haby, City Administrator

City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford

Kevin Taylor, Building Official; Jennifer Cabello, Code Enforcement Official; and Brandon Morris, Legal Counsel were also present.

Alderman, John F. Isbell was not present.

B. Conduct a Public Hearing before City of Meadows Place City Council to determine whether the building located at 11810 Dorrance Lane, Meadows Place, Texas violates City of Meadows Place Code of Ordinances Chapter 150, Section 150.36 Minimum Standards for Continued Use and Occupancy.

Mayor Jessup opened the Public Hearing at 5:31 p.m. He then explained that the purpose of this hearing was to give the property owner and all interested parties the right to appear and to be heard.

Andy Petershagen, resident at 11811 Dorrance, stated that he appreciated the City taking action on this property. He has lived across the street from this property for approximately 2 years. He has spoken to the homeowner a while back and is not confident in work being completed. He also stated that he has not seen the owner in a couple of months.

Mayor Jessup stated that they City remove the tree in the public right-of-way due to a safety hazard.

With no one else signing up to speak, Mayor Jessup closed the Joint Public Hearing closed at 5:38 p.m.

C. Discussion and possible action regarding the building located at 11810 Dorrance Lane, Meadows Place, Texas.

There was brief discussion among City Council, Legal Counsel, and staff regarding the building located at 11810 Dorrance Lane.

City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford, confirmed that they City received the Certified Mail Return Receipt with a signature. The return showed that they notice of this public hearing was received on February 10, 2021.

Building Official, Kevon Taylor, stated he went out to inspect the property and there were several signs of concern, but could not access inside the home. He suggested that a certified structural engineer inspect the property with a master Electrician and Plumber to determine the status and what needs to be done to bring the property up to Code. He also stated that he sees no sign of desire to repair or occupy the home.

Council, legal counsel, and staff reviewed options to repair or remove and demolish the building. Mr. Morris stated that the City would need a court order to demolish the building and allow 30 days to appeal.

There was discussion regarding different deadlines for the owner to submit a plan to repair, get inspections, permit repairs, and complete the work.

Alderman Staigle made a motion finding the building substandard and authorizing legal counsel to draft a letter giving the homeowner thirty (30) days to make repairs and bring the house up to standard. Alderman Kopczynski seconded the motion. The vote follows:

Ayes: Aldermen Baker, Staigle, Kopczynski, and Mills

Nays: None

Alderman Isbell was not present.

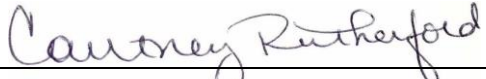
The motion carried.

D. Adjourn

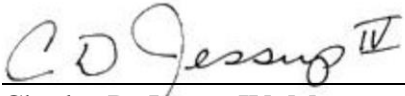
Alderman Mills moved to adjourn. Alderman Baker seconded the motion. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

These minutes were approved by City Council on April 27, 2021.

ATTEST:



Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary



Charles D. Jessup IV, Mayor

