



**MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 28, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE MEADOWS PLACE CITY HALL, 1 TROYAN DRIVE, MEADOWS PLACE, TX 77477**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor 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, Steven H. Bezner	Alderman, Rick J. Staigle
Alderman, Kelle K. Mills	

Anna-Maria Weston, Finance Director, was also present.

**2. Bob Graf, EDC President, to discuss commercial development.**

EDC President, Bob Graf, gave Council an update regarding meetings with Sun Investment Group regarding a possible development on approximately 9 acres along W Airport. The group has met with Mr. Graf and Mayor Jessup several times to review ideas and plans. Mr. Graf feels that they are close to making decision on plans that would include retail space with some senior living apartments. He also stated that the EDC thought it was important to hire a developer who knows planning, zoning, and development to represent the City while working on a Planned Development with Sun Investment Group. City Council did approve a contract with Kendig Keast at the February 7, 2017 Special City Council meeting.

**3. Discussion regarding the moving of money to a Prime account.**

Anna-Maria Weston, Finance Director, gave a brief presentation to Council regarding the TexPool Prime Account. She stated that the City already has a TexPool account, but the Prime account gives more options for investment. She recommended that Council approve the Prime account and allow staff to move some funds into the Prime account which will earn higher interest. She also stated that TexPool Prime has been around since the early 90s and will require no change to our account. There are also no fees or limits to move money around.

There will be an item on the Regular City Council agenda authorizing participation in the TexPool Investment Pools and designating Mayor, Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor Pro Tem, Terry J. Henley, and City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford, as the Authorized Representatives and Finance Director, Anna-Maria Weston as an Inquiry Representative.

**4. Discussion regarding chickens in the City of Meadows Place.**

Mayor Jessup stated that he wanted to put this item on the agenda to allow Council to take action if they so choose. There was brief discussion among Council as to what the different options regarding chicken. Possible actions to take are as follows:

1. No action and let the deed restrictions which state no chicken be handled neighbor to neighbor
2. Direct staff to work with legal counsel to develop an ordinance stating no chickens.

3. Direct staff to work with legal counsel to develop an ordinance to allow chickens with regulations.

Council did suggest talking to legal counsel about the deed restrictions and if there is anything that the City can do to enforce them or what to do if City ordinances conflict with the deed restrictions. No decision was made during this meeting.

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**5. Discussion regarding response to the City Secretary for Council meetings, luncheons, and dinners.**

Mayor Jessup stated that he asked for this item to be put on the agenda. It is very important for Council to check their City emails and respond to the City Secretary regarding invites to meetings, dinners, etc. Alderman Isbell asked that the City Secretary mark these emails as important when sending them out. The City Secretary suggested sending outlook invites for the different events and Council could either accept or decline. Council agreed that they did not want calendar invites and they would do better to check emails and respond.

**6. Review items on the February 28, 2017 Agenda**


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

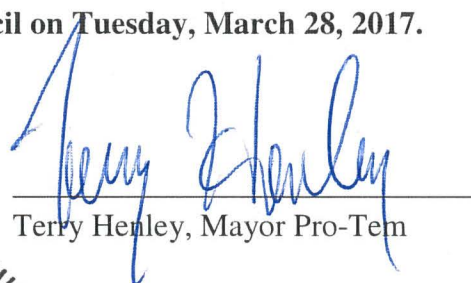
**7. Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Bezner moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mills and with unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

**These minutes were approved by the City Council on Tuesday, March 28, 2017.**

ATTEST:

  
Courtney Ruthenford, City Secretary

  
Terry Henley, Mayor Pro-Tem

