



**MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 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 6:01 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor, Charles D. Jessup, IV  
Mayor Pro Tempore, Terry J. Henley  
Alderman, Steven H. Bezner  
Alderman, Kelle K. Mills

City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford  
Alderman, John F. Isbell  
Alderman, Rick J. Staigle

**B. Review Meadows Place Presentation**

Mayor Jessup stated that EDC has funded a Meadows Place presentation video. The City is working with Erickson Advertising and this video will be shared with the Chamber of Commerce and real estate groups. The video will help show Meadows Place is one square mile of wonderful and spot light the parks, show yesterday, today, and tomorrow. The video will also highlight the departments and staff.

**C. Discuss Sales Tax Trends**

Mayor Jessup stated that sales tax is down. The City is not in trouble, but he wanted to mention it. We are anticipating an upturn since Harvey and he stated that he doesn't anticipate the City falling short.

**D. EDC/Appointment Process**

Mayor Jessup stated that he is working with the City Attorney to see about changing the terms of the EDC members to staggered terms. The terms would still be every two years and it would require the EDC to change their by-laws.

**E. Discuss WCID #2 Rate Increase**

Mayor Jessup stated the WCID rate is increasing from form \$0.95/1000 to \$1.38/1000. He is currently reviewing options with the Finance Director, Anna-Maria Weston and will be looking to increase fees January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Alderman Staigle asked if all customers are receiving the increase and Mayor Jessup stated they are.

Mayor Jessup reported that the only other option is to pay the subsidence district, which is about \$3.50.

**F. Update on City's Banking and Depository Agreement**

Mayor Jessup stated that staff will be meeting with Independent Bank representatives next week to sign paperwork that has finally been approved by the City Attorney.

**G. Code Enforcement Update**

Mayor Jessup stated the he is still reviewing applicants. There have been a few qualified applicants, but the salary is not even close. He is waiting on an applicant from Mississippi and working with the Police Chief on some ideas. He is also reviewing the budget and looking at some different figures. The Chief is currently working on some issues and writing warnings. If Council has any ideas please let the Mayor know.

**H. TML Reminders for the New Year**

Mayor Jessup gave all of Council a document titled How to Serve Well. He reminded Council that they serve as a group and have no authority without the group. Council needs to be respectful of employees. They can talk with staff, but cannot direct staff.

**I. Review items on the September 26, 2017 Regular Agenda**

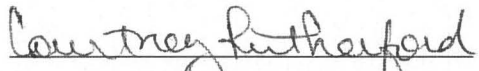
Council briefly reviewed the upcoming agenda items scheduled to be discussed at tonight's regular meeting.

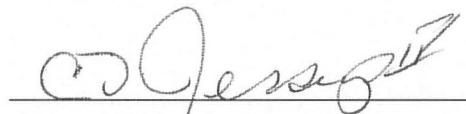
**J. Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Henley moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bezner seconded the motion and with unanimous approval the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

  
Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary

  
Charles D. Jessup, IV, Mayor

