



MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE MEADOWS PLACE EOC/TRAINING CENTER, 11975 W. AIRPORT BLVD., MEADOWS PLACE, TEXAS 77477.

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

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

Mayor, Charles D. Jessup, IV
Tia Baker, Alderman
Kurt Kopczynski, Alderman

David Mertins, Alderman
Rick J. Staigle, Alderman (Arrived at 5:41 p.m.)
Kelle Mills, Alderman

Nick Haby, City Administrator

Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary

The following staff were also in attendance: Communications Director, Cameron Miller; Police Chief, Gary Stewart; Assistant Police Chief, Jack Ashton; and Public Works Director, Rod Hainey.

B. DISCUSSION REGARDING DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE AS IT RELATES TO CHAPTER 150.02 OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES.

Mayor Jessup opened the discussion. He stated that this item is to address two issues, safety and appearance. He read the current ordinance which states “All sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas shall be kept in a proper state of repair and maintained free from hazardous conditions. 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 all constitute hazardous conditions.”

There was discussion regarding the time frame allowed in order to complete these repairs. There was also discussion regarding a time frame for repairs regarding homestead properties versus rental properties. Council discussed how to enforce the repair of driveways before the home is sold, however this would be very difficult for the city to enforce. The City Administrator, Mr. Haby, stated that the only way to enforce the replacement is for the city to replace the driveway and then file lien against the property.

Council discussed getting rid of the ordinance all together due to the difficulty to enforce it.

Council directed staff to create ordinance amending the current ordinance enforcing repair or replacement of rental properties in violation within one year. Staff will bring an ordinance for review and approval to the November Council meeting.

C. DISCUSSION REGARDING STRAY ANIMALS.

Mayor Jessup stated that he requested this item due to stray cats and dogs at large. There was discussion among Council regarding what is “harboring” an animal. There was discussion regarding citations for dogs at large if the owner can be identified and taking stray cats to Fort Bend County Animal Control.

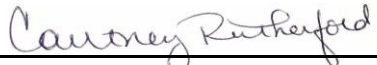
Mayor Jessup stated that there has been reports of dogs being abandoned at the Texas Direct Dog Park. Code Enforcement Officer, Ms. Cabello, has met with the guard and asked them to contact her regarding abandoned dogs at the park.

D. ADJOURN


There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 6:27p.m.

These minutes were approved by City Council on October 25, 2022.

ATTEST:



Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary



Charles D. Jessup IV, Mayor

