

710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET

DEER PARK, TEXAS 77536

Minutes

of

A WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS HELD AT CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, DEER PARK, TEXAS ON NOVEMBER 15, 2016, BEGINNING AT 6:15 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON	MAYOR
SHERRY GARRISON	COUNCILWOMAN
THANE HARRISON	COUNCILMAN
TOMMY GINN	COUNCILMAN
BILL PATTERSON	COUNCILMAN
RON MARTIN	COUNCILMAN
RAE A. SINOR	COUNCILWOMAN

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAY STOKES	CITY MANAGER
SHANNON BENNETT	ACTING CITY SECRETARY
JIM FOX	CITY ATTORNEY

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the workshop to order at 6:45 p.m.
2. PRESENTATION OF THE RENOVATIONS OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT WYNFIELD PARK - Parks and Recreation Director Scott Swigert provided a video of the construction of the Wynfield Park playground. He thanked the Council for attending the Wynfield Park Dedication
3. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO ENTERING INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH HARRIS COUNTY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF DURANT AVE – City Manager Jay Stokes commented, “We want to thank Commissioner Jack Morman’s office for partnering with us on to complete the construction on Durant Avenue. The City’s contribution is going to very minimal compared to theirs. Anytime we can have the County be a partner and financially participate at this level as they did on Ivy Street, we really appreciate that.”

Public Works Director Bill Pedersen advised Council in early June, 2016 Harris County Precinct 2 informed the City that they were developing plans and specifications to reconstruct Durant Avenue from Coy Street to Spencer Highway. Their design will replace the existing asphalt street with a 7-inch thick concrete roadway with open ditches. The county request the City participate with some of the proposed drainage improvements in the amount of \$200,000, which will be a fixed contribution. The

estimated cost of the reconstruction project is \$1,270,000 and the project bids December 5, 2016.

4. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE COMPLETION AND RETAINAGE RELEASE FOR THE BAYOU STREET STORM SEWER UPSIZING PROJECT – Public Works Director Bill Pedersen advised the Council the project consisted of pipe-bursting the 185’ outfall pipe draining Willow Spring Subdivision to the adjacent drainage ditch. The original pipe was 24” in diameter and was undersized to drain even light rain events without causing flooding. The new HDPE pipe replacing it is 30” in diameter and is better suited to drain the neighborhood without flooding. In addition to the new pipe installation, two curb inlets were installed at the corner to collect the water and channel it to the outfall pipe. This should clear the water from the road at a faster rate during rain events to prevent water from topping the curb.

Mr. Stokes commented, “This would have been much more complicated if not for the cooperation of the property owner.”

5. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE NEW DEER PARK ANIMAL SHELTER AND ADOPTION CENTER- Public Works Director Bill Pedersen advised the Council the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee met for their quarterly meeting on November 2, 2016. At the meeting the committee accepted the challenge and responsibility to organize and facilitate fund raising to allow citizen and companies to contribute to the funding of equipment purchases, housing facilities, furnishing, landscaping and décor for the new shelter. Two ideas were presented during the meeting. The first was an online photo contest where individuals submit a photo of their pet and others vote for their favorite by paying for each vote online. The other is a space-naming opportunity concept in which individuals and/or corporations purchase the right to have their name(s) placed on a room or other amenity within the shelter complex.

Councilwoman Garrison asked, “How are you going to advertise this to the citizens?”

Mr. Pedersen answered, “The Advisory Committee will decide how they want to advertise.”

City Manager commented, “Tonight we want to conceptually see if Council has an interest in this, so we can move forward.”

6. ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the workshop meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Shannon Bennett, TRMC
Acting City Secretary

Jerry Mouton
Mayor