

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 FEBRUARY 7, 2017, BEGINNING AT 6:30 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

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAY STOKES	CITY MANAGER
GARY JACKSON	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
SHANNON BENNETT	ACTING CITY SECRETARY
JIM FOX	CITY ATTORNEY

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the workshop to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO THE COLORS AND FINISHES FOR THE NEW CITY HALL - George Watanabe with Cre8 Architects presented to Council an examples of brick for the exterior brick and carpet. The consensus of the Council is to select the Old Denver Brick from Acme Brick and the dark gray carpet with maroon accents for the New City Hall. Mr. Watanabe will bring the color samples of the wall coverings to another meeting.
3. PRESENTATION OF THE SUMMARY REPORT OF THE ANNUAL COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS FOR BIAS BASE/RACIAL PROFILING – Police Chief Greg Grigg advised Council of the State law requirement that once a year, prior to March 1st, a report is filed with the State and an analysis is presented to the local governing body as an overview of the annual comparative analysis for bias/racial profiling highlighting the number of vehicle stops with the results of citations, arrests, and a combination of both; the race and ethnicity of individuals; the race and ethnicity of those with knowledge of prior offenses who were stopped; the number of vehicle searches and, of those, the number that were consent and non-consent. There was no racial profiling in our City.

4. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPOSED DESIGN FOR THE DEER PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (DPCDC) MAXWELL CENTER RENOVATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT – Parks and Recreation Director Scott Swigert advised the Council on February 16, 2016, they approved Task Order #4 with Halff Associates for the Maxwell Center Expansion and Parking Lot Expansion - Phase 1 Programming. On June 29th, Halff Associates and BSW met with the Ad-Hoc Committee to finalize the programming recommendation which was approved and recommended by the DPCDC on July 25th and approved by the City Council on August 2nd. Since then the architects, ad-hoc committee and Staff have been working through the design process to finalize a proposed design. On January 23, 2017, the DPCDC reviewed, accepted and recommended to City Council the proposed design for the Deer Park Community Development Corporation (DPCDC) Maxwell Center renovation and expansion project.

Cristina Moon of Halff and Associates gave an overview of the Maxwell Center Renovation and Expansion Project and highlighted the time line, the existing site; the programming final analysis, the site plan, the exterior rendering, the floor plan, finishes and cost estimate. (Exhibits A1-A3)

5. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO SPACE-NAMING AND DONATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DEER PARK ANIMAL SHELTER AND ADOPTION CENTER – City Manager Jay Stokes advised the Council the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee met and discussed a proposed donation policy for the space naming of rooms and assets housed within the Deer Park Animal Shelter. To date, several businesses and individuals have expressed an interest in donating to the new Shelter. The Committee studied similar policies at shelters throughout the country, with a particular interest in policies based in Texas and the greater Houston area. Committee members then voted to recommend to Council to adopt these proposed amounts for space naming within our new Shelter. (Exhibit B1-B2) Mr. Stokes introduced Hannah a student of Deer Park High School who is raising money for the Animal Shelter with a Go Fund Me Account.

Dr. Dale Lonsford, Chairman of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, commented, “It is not a Deer Park Pound anymore. The primary objective is the Animal Shelter and preventing animals from being lose in the City. All over the United States, the interest of the public has become greater for the life of the animals. Adoption is an important part in this shelter as well. Getting community involvement is a great ideal. I hope they can get involved through the donations. There will be a memorial wall to memorialize your pet or someone in the community. There is big money that can be raised and smaller donations that people can make. I think the community will be active in celebrating the Shelter and take pride in the fact that the City of Deer Park is not just taking care of the people in the community but the animals as well.”

Mayor Mouton thanked Dr. Lonsford for his contribution to the Animal Shelter and Adoption Center.

Assistant City Manager commented, “Kristen Edwards, Public Relations Marketing Specialist also attended the committee meeting and is very anxious to get to work on the publicity of this campaign.”

6. ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the workshop meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Shannon Bennett, TRMC
Acting City Secretary

Jerry Mouton
Mayor