

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 MARCH 3, 2020 BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON, JR.
SHERRY GARRISON
TJ HAIGHT
TOMMY GINN
BILL PATTERSON
RON MARTIN
RAE SINOR

MAYOR
COUNCILWOMAN
COUNCILMAN
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OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES
GARY JACKSON
SHANNON BENNETT
JIM FOX

CITY MANAGER
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
CITY SECRETARY
CITY ATTORNEY

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the workshop to order at 6:45 p.m.
2. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE – John Campbell, 116 W. 5th discussed the proposed sign verbiage for signs that were placed on 5th Street to enforce no parking after certain hours. Mr. Campbell expressed his concerns of the proposed signs not including Sunday night and questioned why a change was made from the original plan that included Friday, Saturday and Sunday that prohibited parking between the hours of 6:00 p.m.- midnight.
3. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO THE BID READY DOCUMENTS FOR THE SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT SOLIDS HANDLING PROJECT – Water Plant Supervisor Nicholas Cook discussed the onsite lagoon that is near full and that the plant is unable to return water to the headworks of the plant because sludge is returned instead of water. This project will stop the sludge from ever reaching the lagoons and also includes a supernatant pump station to return the water to the holding basin where upsized recycle return water pumps will return it to the headworks of the plant. The base bid of the project is \$4,483,000. This project will be funded through Certificates of Obligation in the Capital Improvement Plan Budget. (Exhibit A1-A5)

4. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING AND FIRE CODE AND THE 2020 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE – Deputy Building Official Greg Melching discussed the Building Department of the City of Deer Park being audited by the Insurance Office Services (ISO) that caused the City’s Building Codes Effectiveness Grading Scale (BCEGS) rating to drop five (5) points due to the City being three code cycles behind. This could adversely impact the community’s Property Protection Class within the ISO Rating System. In collaboration with the Fire Marshal, Mr. Melching recommended City Council to adopt the 2018 International Building and Fire Codes and the 2020 National Electrical Code.

City Manager James Stokes commented, “The rating agency came in and gave an evaluation where they look at everything and we didn’t score well. We have a chance to remedy that. It is a very strange and unique formula. We walked through it with Staff and it is heavily dependent on which codes. It is almost impossible to score low, low being good, unless you have adopted the latest codes. That is the recommendation, that we adopt all of the codes.”

5. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO INFORMATIONAL / EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL RELATED TO THE MAY 2, 2020 TYPE B SPECIAL ELECTION – Public Relations/Marketing Specialist Kristen Edwards gave an overview of the newsletter and educational materials designed to provide factual information to the public regarding the May 2, 2020 Type B Election. Along with the newsletter, there will be informational boards with photos, which explains the Type B sales and use tax proposition and projects placed in the lobbies of City facilities.

Assistant City Manager Gary Jackson presented Council a PowerPoint presentation that will be utilized in explaining the Type B proposition and projects. This information will be available to anyone that request to view it.

6. ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the workshop meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Shannon Bennett, TRMC
City Secretary

Jerry Mouton, Jr.
Mayor