

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 1, 2019

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Work Session on Thursday, August 1, 2019, at 12:02 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Gerard Hudspeth and Council Members Keely Briggs, Jesse Davis, John Ryan, Deb Armintor, and Paul Meltzer

ABSENT: None

Also present were City Manager Todd Hileman and City Attorney Aaron Leal

WORK SESSION

1. Work Session Reports

- A. ID 19-1711 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding project recommendations from the Citizens Bond Advisory Committee for the November 2019 bond election.

The presentation was made and discussion followed.

The meeting was recessed several times during discussion for short breaks at 1:22 p.m. and reconvened at 1:33 p.m., 2:53 p.m. and reconvened at 3:02 p.m., and 4:14 p.m., and reconvened at 4:27 p.m.

Following further discussion, staff was directed to restructure the proposed bond election items and prepare for presentation at a future meeting.

- B. ID 19-1709 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give direction regarding departmental presentations in preparation for the FY 2019-20 Proposed Budget, Capital Improvement Program, and Five Year Financial Forecast.

The presentations were made and discussion followed regarding the following departments:

- Parks
- Development Services
- Engineering
- Traffic

The meeting was recessed for a short break at 5:14 p.m. and reconvened at 5:23 p.m.

Following additional discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was only for presentation purposes in preparation for the FY 2019-20 Budget process.

- C. ID 19-1710 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the FY 2019-20 City Manager's Proposed Budget, Capital Improvement Program, and Five-Year Financial Forecast.

The presentation was made and discussion followed.

Council Member Davis had a conflict of interest related to HOT Funds and left the Work Session Room.

The meeting was recessed for a short break at 7:51 p.m. and reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Following further discussion, staff was directed to restructure various aspects of the FY2019-20 City Manager's Proposed Budget, Capital Improvement Program, and Five-Year Financial Forecast and prepare for continued discussion at a future meeting.

ACTION ITEM

2. Items for Individual Consideration

- A. ID 19-1818 Consider approval of a resolution of the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas placing a proposal on the September 17, 2019, City Council public meeting agenda to adopt a 2019 Tax Rate that will exceed the lower of the rollback rate or the effective tax rate; calling two public hearings on a tax increase to be held on August 20, 2019, and September 10, 2019 and calling a budget public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Program of Services of the City of Denton to be held on September 17, 2019; requiring publication of notices of the public hearings in accordance with the law; requiring the posting of the notices of the public hearings on the City's Internet website; requiring the posting of the notices on the City's public access channel; and providing an effective date.

The presentation was made and discussion followed.

Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth moved to approve the item with an amendment to hold the public hearing on September 10, 2019 [as shown on the resolution presented for consideration]. Motion seconded by Council Member Armintor.

Council Member Meltzer offered a friendly amendment to modify the tax rate to \$0.5993108. Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth did not accept the friendly amendment.

Mayor Watts called for a vote on Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth's motion to approve the item with an amendment to hold the public hearing on September 10, 2019 [as shown on the resolution presented for consideration]. Motion carried.


AYES (5): Mayor Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Hudspeth and Council Members Davis, Ryan, and Armintor

NAYS (2): Council Members Briggs and Meltzer


CLOSED MEETING - NOT HELD

1. The Closed Meeting was not held. Therefore, there was no deliberation of the following item.
 - A. ID 19-1782 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086. Deliberate and discuss competitive information regarding public power operational and financial matters pertaining to the purchases and risks of wholesale energy supply pertaining to the proposed electric budget.
NOT DELIBERATED

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.



CHRIS WATTS
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS



ROSA RIOS
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: August 13, 2019