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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 2, 2017
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

Alderman Sherwood Green led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

The following Councilmember's were present:

*Mayor Steve Spicer
MPT Gene Montgomery
Alderman David Welch
Alderman Sherwood Green
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

The following Councilmember was absent:

Alderman Rosemary Lindley

The following staff was present:

*City Administrator Brick
City Secretary Rushing
Police Chief Heiman*

PRESENTATION:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT PRESENTED BY THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR.

City Administrator Brick presented the August 2017 Moody Bank Financials to Council.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS A CONTRACT WITH ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH OBTAINING A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE) SEAWEED MAINTENANCE PERMIT, DESIGNATING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AS THE CONTRACTING OFFICER.

Mayor Spicer reminded Council this item was tabled from the last Council Meeting. Rhonda Gray, with Atkins attended the meeting per Council's request; she explained the scope of work offered in the proposed contract; she noted any and all entities conducting any type of beach cleaning would be required to obtain a permit prior to the beach maintenance.

Mayor Spicer opened the item for discussion:

Penny Ignacio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, inquired would the city be required to purchase their own cleaning equipment.

2. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Council discussed designating Alderman Welch as the Representative and MPT Montgomery as the Alternate Representative; both Councilmembers were fine with the nominations.

3. DISCUSS APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARK BOARD COMMITTEE.

Mayor Spicer said he received the following list of citizens wanting to volunteer to be on the Park Board Committee: Jo Beth Berry as Chair, Gina Fahrenthold as Vice Chair, Kristin Dillmann as Secretary, and Dave Voight, Justin Stiff, Jim Gentile and Dan Schlund as At-Large Members; he noted there were other citizens in the audience wanting to be members, but this meeting was a Workshop Meeting for discussion only and the appointments would have to be made at a Called Meeting.

4. DISCUSS APPROVING THE PARK BOARD HALLOWEEN EVENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$850, FUNDING FROM THE RESERVE PARK BOARD FUND.

Mayor Spicer noted the above item was an annual request. No discussion.

5. DISCUSS APPROVING THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN, FUNDING FROM THE BUDGET RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS.

Mayor Spicer noted the above item was an annual request discussed during a Budget Workshop Meeting; city funding was allocated in the budget. No further discussion.

6. DISCUSS APPROVING THE CITY STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT.

Mayor Spicer noted the current bank depository contract ends December 31, 2017. No discussion.

7. DISCUSS AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING RULES OF DECORUM AND PROCEDURES FOR ATTENDEES AT COUNCIL MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Secretary Rushing explained the Draft Ordinance to Council pertaining to rules and procedures for attendees at Council Meetings; she noted the Ordinance would establish rules and procedures for the following topics: public comments, conduct, dress code, video and audio recording. Council briefly discussed the Draft Ordinance.

Mayor Spicer opened the item for discussion:

Penny Ignazio, 16634 Jamaica Inn, inquired would all attendees wanting to make a comment during a Council Meeting be required to sign-up prior to speaking at the meeting.

Mayor Spicer replied yes, but he may recognize individuals to speak.

CITIZEN INPUT

(REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL MUST BE MADE TO CITY STAFF BY 5:45 P.M. ON OCTOBER 2, 2017.)

No requests to address Council.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Brick reported the Fall Heavy Trash Cleanup is Saturday, October 28th; he announced the city invited two General Land Office Representatives to attend the October 16th City Council Meeting to explain and answer questions concerning the proposed beach dune project.

MAYOR'S REPORT – *No Report*

ALDERMEN REPORTS

Alderman Kurtz, Alderman Green and MPT Montgomery – No Reports

Alderman Welch reported JBIC approved their Budget; JBIC hopes to spend less on legal expenses and more on beautification.

POLICE REPORT

Police Chief Heiman reported National Night Out is tomorrow, October 6th at 6PM at the City Park; he encouraged everyone to attend.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.