

YOLANDA FORD
Mayor

VASHAUNDRA EDWARDS
Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

CHRIS PRESTON
Mayor Pro Tem
Councilmember at Large Position No. 2



REGINALD PEARSON
Councilmember District A
JEFFREY L. BONEY
Councilmember District B
ANTHONY G. MAROULIS
Councilmember District C
FLOYD EMERY
Councilmember District D

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in special session on **Monday, July 15, 2019**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **5:45 p.m.** to consider the following:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Those also present: Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmembers Edwards, Pearson, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Secretary Jackson, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Assistant City Attorney Santangelo, First Assistant City Attorney Way, Assistant City Attorney Quintal, Media Specialist III Sanders, Media Specialist III Kalimkoottil, and Law Clerk Morrow. Absent: City Attorney Iyamu.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Presentation on Municipal Utility District study.

David S. Yanke, Environmental Practice, presented the City's Municipal Utility District (MUD) study results which helped determine whether or not the current city-wide MUD utility service delivery structure could be improved upon in the citizen's interest in terms of financially, operationally, cost of service, level of service; discussed alternative City/MUD utility service structures; and, discussed all options for potential improvement in utility service delivery city-wide.

Mayor Ford asked for clarification on if the City were to assume the MUDs, would the tax go away. Grant Rabon stated that once the MUDs were annexed or dissolved, the tax issuance would be dissolved. Councilmember Boney asked if they had full participation from the MUDs during the study. Yanke stated that all participated and some were more forthcoming. Mayor Ford asked if there was anything that could stop the MUDs from acquiring debt. Rabon stated that as long as they were in existence, they could continue to acquire debt and/or refinance debt.

Councilmember Edwards stepped away at 6:06 p.m. and returned at 6:07 p.m.

Karen Kennard of Greenberg Traurig, LLP addressed the election of debt and noted each MUD would be different depending on the development agreement they have with the City.

Yanke presented an overview of the next steps as follows: meetings with key stakeholders as promised at the beginning of the process; the draft report would be shared with the stakeholders; stakeholder feedback to the draft report; transparent process leading up to completion; NewGen to release draft report to staff this week (July 15); City Staff to comment on the draft report (July 22); presentation of draft to stakeholders/MUDs (first week of August); presentation of draft to City Council (August 19); and, the final report and presentation to all stakeholders has been planned for the first week of September.

- (b) Joint Presentation from the Cities of Stafford and Missouri City regarding the Missouri City Animal Shelter.

Councilmember Maroulis stepped away at 6:32 p.m. and returned at 6:32 p.m.

City Manager Snipes provided an overview on the partnership with the City of Stafford. TaBorah Goffney, Animal Shelter Manager, and Stacey Suazo, consultant for the City of Stafford, presented on the Missouri City Animal Shelter. Goffney stated that moving forward quarterly meetings with City of Stafford Counterparts would take place; there would be an increase in the City of Stafford Animal Services Budget FY20; all pets were to be treated as shelter pets regardless of which City they were from; and, that all pets were to be microchipped prior to adoption.

City Council moved to take agenda item 2d at this time.

- (d) Consider concurring with the appointment of the Director of Human Resources.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to concur with the city manager's appointment of Martin D. Russell as the Director of Human Resources. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

City Council recessed the special City Council meeting at 7:02 p.m. At 9:07 p.m., City Council reconvened the special City Council meeting to discuss agenda item 2c.

- (c) Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and infrastructure project updates.

Director of Financial Services Portis presented on the capital improvement program, the CIP programming process, capital improvement program funding options, determining debt capacity, and authorized but unissued bonds. Director of Public Works Kumar presented CIP proposed projects that included: Independence Boulevard Section 1, Knight Road, beautification project along Cartwright Road and Texas Parkway, and the construction of Glenn Lakes Bridge. Assistant Director of Public Works Brouhard presented an update on the traffic studies and the completion of the sidewalk program for 2019.

3. **ADJOURN**

The special City Council meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Maria Jackson, City Secretary