



Tuesday, September 13, 2022

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

ATTENDEES:

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| Mayor | L. Kelly Jones |
| Council Member | Phillip Poole |
| Council Member | Brian Libbey |
| Council Member | Michael Dingman |
| Council Member | Robert Fitzgerald |
| Council Member | Halden Griffith |
| City Administrator/Sec | Brandy Barrett |
| Police Chief | Kevin Reaves |
| Deputy City Secretary | Elisa Greubel |
| City Attorney | Will Pruitt |

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Jones at 7:00 PM

INVOCATION was given by Councilman Brian Libbey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Jones.

Mayor Jones acknowledged all former council members in attendance, as well as James McClinton, the Tarrant County Community Development Director.

REGULAR SESSION:

1. MOTION to approve the Agenda.

- **MADE BY:** Phillip Poole. **SECOND:** Halden Griffith.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

2. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

All matters listed as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately

A. Approval of the Minutes:

- Council Meeting – August 9, 2022
- Special Council Meeting – September 1, 2022

B. Approval of the Financial Reports:

- TexPool Report
- A/P Disbursements

| BALANCES August 2022 | GENERAL | WATER | CAPITAL PROJECTS | CRIME CONTROL | DEBT SERVICE | WRA | HCGC | STREET | GAS ROYALTIES |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| Revenue * | \$555,806 | \$200,090 | \$45 | \$63106 | \$1,093 | \$1,382 | \$194,357 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Disbursement * | \$277,618 | \$70,040 | \$0 | \$107,014 | \$707,494 | \$25,198 | \$201,687 | \$13,691 | \$0 |
| Cash on Hand | \$880,849 | \$1,477,52 | \$396,231 | \$281,836 | \$7,349 | \$32,661 | \$807,152 | \$70,327 | \$34,334 |
| TexPool | \$1,447,16 | \$85,176 | \$25,036 | \$248 | \$596,234 | \$752,256 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Money Market | \$350,000 | \$500,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$129,000 | \$475,362 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,731,887 |

* Month end closings and bank reconciliation pending.

MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda.

- **MADE BY:** Mike Dingman. **SECOND:** Robert Fitzgerald.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

3. STAFF UPDATES: *The Department Directors recapped their monthly reports.*

- During the PD report, Chief Reaves swore in new officers George Desmarais and Rivaldo Portillo.
- During the Administrator's report, David Deering of Under Par Life gave an update and presentation on the current concepts for the golf course project.

4. MAYOR'S REPORT *(A recap of the mayor's previous 30 days in office)*

5. COMMITTEE UPDATES: *(A recap of the committee meetings held in previous month)*

- Brandy Barrett gave a briefing on the August 11th CCPD Meeting.

6. PUBLIC INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Announcements and Proclamations

- Annual Fall Cleanup will be held on September 17th from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM at City Hall.
- Annual Fall Festival will be held on October 28th from 5:30-7:30 PM, at Melva Campbell Park.
- The City Council will vote on the proposed Tax Rate and Budget at the Special Council meeting on September 20th at 6:00 PM.

B. Meetings

- Special Council meeting, September 20th at 6:00 PM
- Regular Council meeting, October 11th at 7:00 PM

C. Citizen Comments

- There were no citizen comments

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Jones convened in closed executive session at 7:40 PM to deliberate the following items:

A. Consultation with attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071

- Receive legal advice and discuss potential agreement with the City of White Settlement

B. Consultation with attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072.

- Receive legal advice and discuss pending litigation in relation to condemnation actions

C. Deliberation of personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074

- Consideration of volunteer committee applications and appointments

Mayor Jones re-convened in open session at 8:23 PM.

7. Public Hearings, Briefings and Action Items:

A. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action to appoint Committee Members to the WRA Board, CCPD/Public Safety Board, and Planning and Zoning Commission.

MOTION to reappoint Melva Campbell, Tiffany Aller, and Brian Libbey to the WRA Board for a term ending in September 2024; to appoint Robert Fitzgerald to the WRA Board for a term ending in September of 2024; to appoint Chis Measley to the CCPD/ Public Safety Board for a term ending in September of 2024; and to appoint Anita Gray to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term ending in May of 2024.

- **MADE BY:** Halden Griffith. **SECOND:** Phillip Poole.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

B. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action to authorize the mayor to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of White Settlement.

MOTION to authorize the mayor to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of White Settlement and purchase the RMS for an amount no to exceed \$175,000.

- **MADE BY:** Mike Dingman. **SECOND:** Robert Fitzgerald.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

C. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on Ordinance 492 amending Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article 1.01, Section 1.01.009 General Penalty for Violation of Code, to comply with current state laws and increasing the fine for illegal dumping to \$4000.00.

MOTION to approve Ordinance 492 amending Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article 1.01, Section 1.01.009 General Penalty for Violation of Code, to comply with current state laws and increasing the fine for illegal dumping to \$4000.00.

- **MADE BY:** Halden Griffith. **SECOND:** Mike Dingman.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

D. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on Ordinance 493 amending Chapter 8, Offenses and Nuisances, Article 8.04, Section 8.04.007 Construction and Demolition or Excavation Activities, modifying the hours that construction can occur.

MOTION to approve Ordinance 493 amending Chapter 8, Offenses and Nuisances, Article 8.04, Section 8.04.007 Construction and Demolition or Excavation Activities, modifying the hours that construction can occur.

- **MADE BY:** Mike Dingman. **SECOND:** Phillip Poole.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

E. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action to engage Mike Ward Accounting and Financial Consulting, PLLC, for our annual auditing services. *(It is recommended that auditing firms be changed every 5 years or less, the city has used Patillo Brown and Hill since 2015.)*

MOTION to engage Mike Ward Accounting and Financial Consulting, PLLC, for our annual auditing services.

- **MADE BY:** Robert Fitzgerald. **SECOND:** Mike Dingman.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

F. Mayor Jones

Review and discuss the proposed FY2023 budgets. *(Citizens are encouraged to review and provide input to the proposed budgets. There will be two public hearings on the budget in September prior to the council taking action to set the tax rate and approve the budget.)*

Ms. Barrett offered to answer any questions, noting the budget is the same as has been presented at the last several meetings.

G. Public Hearing

Mayor Jones opened a public hearing to receive citizen comments and input on the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022- 2023 Budget. The proposed budget is based on no change to the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.475 per \$100 of valuation. (Council will take action when the public hearing is closed at the special council meeting on September 20th.) at 8:49 PM.

- There were no comments.

Mayor Jones recessed the Public Hearing at 8:49 PM

H. Public Hearing

Mayor Jones opened a public hearing to receive citizen comments and input on the adoption of the 2022 Tax Rate of \$.475 per \$100 of valuation with the proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by \$289,778, of which \$39,310 is tax revenue raised from new properties added to the tax roll this year. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease at a greater or lesser rate, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property and the tax rate that is adopted. *(Council will take action when the public hearing is closed at the special council meeting on September 20th.)*

- There were no comments.

Mayor Jones recessed the Public Hearing at 8:50 PM


The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM by Mayor Jones.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:



L. Kelly Jones, Mayor

SIGNATURE ATTESTED BY:



Brandy G. Barrett, TRMC
City Administrator/City Secretary

