

City Council Regular Session Meeting Minutes Municipal Complex 311 Burton Hill Road Westworth Village, TX 76114 cityofwestworth.com

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August 8, 2023		7:00 PM Council Chambers
ATTENDEES:	Mayor	L. Kelly Jones
	Council Member	Phillip Poole
	Council Member	Brian Libbey
	Council Member	Michael Dingman
	Council Member	Halden Griffith
	City Administrator/Sec	Brandy Barrett
	Police Chief	Kevin Reaves
	Deputy City Secretary	Elisa Greubel
	City Attorney	Will Pruitt
ABSENT:	Council Member	Robert Fitzgerald - Attended virtually but did not participate in votes

# CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Jones at 7:00 PM

**INVOCATION** was given by Councilman Libbey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Jones.

## **REGULAR SESSION:**

# 1. MOTION to approve the Agenda.

- MADE BY: Phillip Poole. SECOND: Mike Dingman.
- Motion passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

# 2. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

## A. Approval of the Minutes:

• Council Meeting – July 11, 2023

# **B.** Approval of the Financial Reports:

- TexPool Report
- TexStar Report
- A/P Disbursements

BALANCES	GENERAL	WATER	CAPITAL	CRIME	DEBT SERVICE	WRA	HCGC	STREET	GAS
Jul-23			PROJECTS	CONTROL					ROYALTIES
Revenue *	\$323,856	\$137,990	\$1,043	\$65,430	\$2,325	\$48,196	\$0	\$32,715	\$0
Disbursement *	\$231,748	\$95,501	\$0	\$71,812	\$750	\$15,215	\$113,546	\$7,234	\$0
Cash on Hand	\$303,981	\$95,501	\$267,099	\$356,359	\$3,349	\$134,146	\$630,762	\$183,674	\$47,792
TexPool	\$3,544,800	\$124,172	\$253,153	0	\$50,792	\$359,569	0	0	0
TexStar	\$829,642	\$1,733,530	\$405,412	\$152,029	\$130,780	\$219,957	\$498,216	0	\$2,027,138

\* Month end closings and bank reconciliation pending.

C. Resolution 2023-07 approving the negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee and Atmos Energy Corp, Mid-Tex Division regarding the Company's 2023 Rate Review Mechanism Filing. (This is a recommendation from legal team serving Steering Committee of Cities Served by Atmos (ACSC) of which we are a member)

### MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda.

- MADE BY: Mike Dingman. SECOND: Phillip Poole.
- **Motion passed** by a vote of 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- 3. STAFF UPDATES: The Department Directors recapped their monthly reports.
- **4.** MAYOR'S REPORT (A recap of the mayor's previous 30 days in office)
  - Mayor Jones gave an update about the Under Par Life project.
- 5. COMMITTEE UPDATES: (A recap of the meetings held in the previous 30 days.)
  - Long Range Planning Meeting, Councilman Poole

### 6. PUBLIC INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

### A. Announcements and Proclamations

### **B.** Meetings

- Regular Council meeting, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm
- Special Council meeting, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

### C. Citizen Comments

- Riley Swanston, 5801 Aton read into record against park in front of City Hall
- Immy Khan, 5836 Carb on agenda topics

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

### Mayor Jones convened in closed executive session at 7:39 PM to deliberate the following items:

- A. Consultation with attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 Regarding the legal representation of individual members of the council, boards and committees in pending or contemplated litigation.
- **B.** Deliberation of personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 Discuss personnel matters, board, committee, and commission appointments.

### Mayor Jones re-convened in open session at 8:29 PM. No action was taken.

## 7. Public Hearings, Briefings and Action Items:

A. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action to appoint a councilmember to the Golf and Parks Committee. (Councilman Griffith has stepped down from his appointment as the Chair of the Golf and Parks committee.) **MOTION to appoint and name as chair Councilman Robert Fitzgerald to the Golf and Parks Committee.** 

- MADE BY: Mike Dingman. SECOND: Phillip Poole.
- Motion passed by a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Abstention (Griffith).

### **B.** Public Hearing

Mayor Jones opened a public hearing to receive citizen comments and input on the Planning and Zoning recommended amendments to Chapter 14 - Zoning of the Westworth Village Code of Ordinances providing for a definition of Smoke/Tobacco/CBD stores, modifying the use tables in the Commercial and Light Industrial Zones, establishing restrictions on said stores, providing for revocation of specific use permits, enforcement, and penalties. *(The* 

Comprehensive Zoning Use Table does not currently allow this business type by right and a potential business owner has requested it be added.) at 8:39 PM.

- The following spoke against approval:
  - Tyler Hall, 6530 Hawks Creek
  - Greg Curry, 6500 Westworth Blvd
- The following spoke in favor of approval:
  - o Joseph Kaspick, 7605 Lake Vista Way, Fort Worth, TX

Mayor Jones closed the Public Hearing at 8:52 PM

#### C. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on the Planning and Zoning recommendation to amend Chapter 14 - Zoning of the Westworth Village Code of Ordinances providing for a definition of Smoke/Tobacco/CBD stores, modifying the use tables in the Commercial and Light Industrial Zones, establishing restrictions on said stores, providing for revocation of special use permits, enforcement, and penalties. (*The Comprehensive Zoning Use Table does not currently allow this business type by right and a potential business owner has requested it be added.*)

#### MOTION to postpone item to the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- MADE BY: Phillip Poole. SECOND: Halden Griffith.
- Motion passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

#### **D.** Mayor Jones

Review and discuss the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget and tax rate. (The complete budget must be approved by the council no later than September 30th following two public hearings. Citizens are encouraged to review and provide input to the proposed budgets. The first public hearing will be September 12th at 7pm and the second will be on September 19th at 6pm, prior the council taking action to set the tax rate and adopt the budget.)

• City Administrator Brandy Barrett presented the budget and answered questions.

### E. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action to authorize spending up to \$170,000, using reserve funds, to purchase a mini-excavator and skid steer with attachments for the Public Works Department. (These items are proposed in the FY 2023-2024 budget; however, the city can save \$30,000 if they purchase them prior to the price increases effective on October 1st.)

MOTION to authorize Mayor Jones to spend up to \$170,000, using reserve funds, to purchase a mini-excavator and skid steer with attachments for the Public Works Department.

- MADE BY: Phillip Poole. SECOND: Halden Griffith.
- Motion passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

#### Mayor Jones convened in closed executive session at 9:36 PM to deliberate the following items:

- **C. Consultation with attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072.** Receive legal advice and discuss status of the Burgess property condemnation. Receive legal advice and discuss pending litigation regarding a property tax refund and zoning cases.
- **D. Deliberation of personnel matters pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074** Discuss personnel matters.

Mayor Jones re-convened in open session at 10:42 PM and the following actions were taken:

### MOTION to appoint Brenda McDonald as the new City Attorney.

- MADE BY: Phillip Poole. SECOND: Mike Dingman.
- Motion passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 PM by Mayor Jones.

**MINUTES APPROVED BY:** 

L. Kelly Jones, Mayor

**SIGNATURE ATTESTED BY:** Bant

Brandy G. Barrett, TRMC City Administrator/City Secretary