

**TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 16, 2021**

The Town Council met in special session on Monday, August 16, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at 372 Town Place, Fairview, Texas. Those present were Mayor Henry Lessner; Mayor Pro Tem Ricardo Doi and Councilmembers Rich Connelly, Gregg Custer, Ken Logsdon and John Hubbard. Councilmember Larry Little was absent. Staff present included Town Manager, Julie Couch; Town Secretary, Tenitrus Bethel; Fire Chief, Jeff Bell; Assistant to the Town Manager, Adam Wilbourn; Interim EDC Manager, Dave Quinn; CFO, Steven Ventura; Town Engineer, James Chancellor; Public Works Manager, Aron Holmgren; and Police Chief, Granver Tolliver.

Mayor Lessner called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and declared a quorum was present and invited everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas State pledge.

CITIZENS INPUT:

No one came forward to speak.

DISCUSSION - FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 PROPOSED BUDGET & TAX RATE: Ms. Couch introduced agenda item 1, discuss budget process, budget planning, capital planning, meeting dates, and other related matters and agenda item 2, discuss and consider action on the proposed FY 21-22 tax rate and setting the date for public hearing on the tax rate.

Ms. Couch provided the Council with an overview of the 10-year capital plan. She reviewed upcoming 2-year projects, camera upgrades and the public works service center remodel.

Mr. Holmgren gave a presentation for the proposed new public works service center. He reviewed site improvements, scope of work, building improvements and cost estimates.

Council Pro Tem Doi arrived.

The Council and staff had an extended discussion related to this item.

Ms. Couch continued reviewing capital projects such as: street capital projects including, Frisco Rd, Hart Rd and Fairview Pkwy; park and trail plan including, Stacy Rd medians, sewer projects and water improvements.

Mr. Holmgren presented the smart water system and reviewed the features.

Ms. Couch reviewed drainage capital projects including Foxglen, Farmstead and Bluebird; funding sources, funds and impact fees and grant funding.

The Council and staff had a discussion related to these items.

Ms. Couch stated since the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2021-22 is above the no new revenue rate the Council will need to take action to approve the maximum rate and set the date for the public hearing on the tax rate. He stated

Mr. Ventura gave a presentation on the fiscal year 2021-2022 proposed tax rate. He stated the tax rate has remained at \$0.347156 for the previous two fiscal years. He indicated at the recent budget retreat the general fund calculations were based on the current rate as staff awaited the final numbers from the county. He reviewed rate calculations and stated the no new revenue rate is \$0.331565 and the voter approved rate is \$0.3455580. He stated staff is recommending the tax rate be set at the voter approved rate of \$0.3455580. He indicated the proposed tax rate is lower than the current rate however due to the rate exceeding the no new revenue rate by law a public hearing is required.

He stated the proposed rate has been adjusted to that of the voter approved rate which requires a public hearing. He stated the M&O is \$0.245536 and the I&S is \$0.100044. He reviewed the requirements for the tax rate acknowledgement and public hearing.

The Council and staff had a discussion related to the budget and revenues.

The Council and members of Town Staff discussed the proposed budget including the following: total revenues & expenditures, property values, fund reserves and expenditures, personnel, salary adjustments, street maintenance, COVID funds and expenditures, capital projects included in the proposed budget and other related budget topics.

Mayor Pro Tem Doi made a motion to recognize the proposed tax rate of \$0.345580 for fiscal year 2021-2022. Councilmember Custer seconded the motion, and the record vote was as follows:

Councilmember Connelly:	For	Mayor Lessner:	For
Councilmember Custer:	For	Councilmember Logsdon:	For
Councilmember Doi:	For	Councilmember Hubbard:	For

Mayor Lessner adjourned the meeting at 3:01 p.m.


Tenitrus Bethel, Town Secretary


Henry Lessner, Mayor

