



**MINUTES SPECIAL JOINT
COUNCIL MEETING WITH P&Z
COMMISSION**

Tuesday, January 10, 2017 – 5:30 pm
Police and Courts Building, 100 West Main Street
Royse City, Texas

A. CALL TO ORDER 5:42 PM BY MAYOR NICHOL

Announce the presence of a quorum.

City Council

Members Present: Mayor, Janet Nichol
Mayor Pro Tem, Council Member Place 2, Clay Ellis
Council Member Place 3, Bruce Bradley
Council Member Place 4, Matt Wheatley
Council Member Place 5, James Branch
Council Member, Place 6, Tom Crowley
Member Absent: Council Member Place 1, Charles Houk

Staff Present: City Manager, Carl Alsabrook
City Secretary, Deborah Sorensen
City Attorney, Jason Day
Director of Finance, Shannon Raymond
Executive Dir. of Development & Community Services, Janet McPherson
Fire Chief, Rickey Bell
Director of Public Works, Dario Lopez
Director of HR, Tauna Ratliff
Main St. Manager, Paula Morris
Executive Director of Community Development Corp., Larry Lott

P&Z Commission
Members Present: Chairman, Jeff Hays
Commissioner David Shivers
Commissioner, Kari Hollifield
Commissioner, Russell Flanigan

P&Z Commission
Members Absent: Vice Chairman, Spencer Pattison
Commissioner, Todd Middleton
Commissioner, Phillip Haggard

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nichol gave invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion of the Draft Royse City Comprehensive Plan by Verdunity, and any matters related thereto.

Kevin Shepherd, Project Director, presented the Draft Royse City Comprehensive Plan by Verdunity. Kevin wanted to give City Council the opportunity to ask questions and get clarification regarding the Comp Plan. The Comp Plan is the future of Royse City. There are implementations that need to take place and they are in the Comp Plan.

Council Member Crowley asked if Planning & Zoning Commission have any input.

Chairman Jeff Hays stated they feel that it is a good document.

Kevin further added that the priority action is to update the zoning ordinance to align with the Comp Plan, as well as the Water Master Plan and the Wastewater Master Plan. The mobility plan can be used as the Thoroughfare Plan if desired.

Mayor Nichol asked what was decided on Main Street/Downtown Area.

Kevin responded to not widen Main Street and get the truck out. He suggested having TxDot do a truck bypass from Erby Campbell to FM 940 to divert that kind of traffic away from Highway 66. He also suggested doing a couplet at Church Street and Main Street. A conversation with TxDot is imperative. Carl further added that they will need a decision on the couplet pretty quick. Kevin stated to do two way couplets if possible.

Julie Bryant, CPAC member, stated that we need something to make people come downtown.

Council Member Branch asked about public safety, police and fire, and sports complexes.

Kevin stated that roads need to be repaired first, and then work on sports complexes. Council Member Crowley stated ideal would be sports complex location where we also install fire/police substation at same location.

Mayor Nichol asked about residential areas. Kevin responded that there is a whole chapter on houses and neighborhoods and went through some examples.

Council Member Bradley asked about the mobility plan incorporating bike lanes.

Kevin stated yes, high speed/bike in separate lane; try to make things more accessible for walking/biking.

Council Member Crowley asked if Planning & Zoning Commission has any desire to comment at this time.

Chairman Jeff Hayes stated the Planning & Zoning Commission is fully on board. He asked for help as to what direction to go.

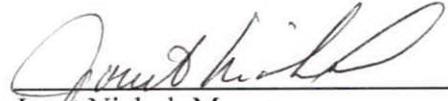
Council Member Wheatley stated that he would like to see local artists do something in the city.

Brian Zator, CPAC Member, further added that through this plan, it would be something that gives you purpose. This can help guide you.

Mayor thanked the Comprehensive Plan Action Committee (CPAC) and the Planning & Zoning Commission for a really good job.

D. ADJOURN AT 6:35 PM

Council Member Branch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Crowley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 6-0.**



Janet Nichol, Mayor

ATTEST:



Deborah Sorensen, TRMC, City Secretary

