



**MINUTES SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING**

Monday, August 8, 2016 – 7:00 pm
City Hall, Mellody Room, 305 N. Arch Street
Royse City, Texas

A. CALL TO ORDER 6:01 PM BY MAYOR NICHOL

Announce the presence of a quorum.

- 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 6, Tom Crowley
- Member Absent: Council Member Place 1, Charles Houk
Council Member Place 5, James Branch
- Staff Present: City Manager, Carl Alsabrook
City Secretary, Deborah Sorensen
Director of Finance, Shannon Raymond
Executive Dir. of Development & Community Services, Janet McPherson
Police Chief, Jeff Stapleton
Fire Chief, Rickey Bell
Director of Public Works, Dario Lopez
Main Street Manager, Paula Morris
Director of HR, Tauna Ratliff
Superintendent of Parks & Recreation, Brent Stowers
Executive Director of Community Development Corp., Larry Lott

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nichol gave invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. BUSINESS

1. Presentation and discussion concerning overview of 2016-2017 Budget, including presentation of effective and rollback rate, and any matters related thereto.

Each Department Head presented their budget request. Shannon Raymond presented the effective tax rate and the rollback tax rate.
2. Consider and act upon approving a proposed maximum Tax Rate for 2016 for public notice requirements, and any matters related thereto.

Shannon Raymond explained that the proposed tax rate that is set tonight is just a proposed rate and cannot be raised; however, it can be lowered prior to adoption.

Mayor Pro Tem Ellis made a motion to set the maximum tax rate at \$0.6771. Council Member Wheatley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

3. Consider and act concerning setting the dates and times for the two Tax Rate Public Hearings, and any matters related thereto.

Council Member Crowley made a motion to approve staff recommendation to set the first Tax Rate Public Hearing for August 30, 2016 and the second Tax Rate Public Hearing for September 6, 2016. Council Member Wheatley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

4. Consider and act concerning setting the date and time for the Fiscal 2016-2017 Budget Public Hearing, and any matters related thereto.

Council Member Bradley made a motion to set the Public Hearing for the Budget for September 13, 2016. Council Member Wheatley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

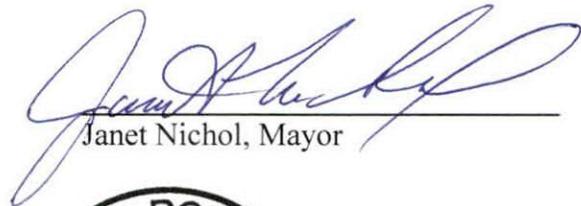
D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consider and/or action to determine and direct City Staff in scheduling topics for discussion at future City Council Meetings, and any matters related thereto.

None

E. ADJOURN AT 7:57 PM

Mayor Pro Tem Ellis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Crowley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**


Janet Nichol, Mayor

ATTEST:


Deborah Sorensen, TRMC, City Secretary

