



**MINUTES SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, August 2, 2018 – 12:00 pm
City Hall, Mellody Room, 305 N. Arch Street
Royse City, Texas

A. CALL TO ORDER 12:12 PM BY MAYOR NICHOL

Announce the presence of a quorum.

- Members Present: Mayor, Janet Nichol
Council Member Place 1, Charles Houk
Council Member Place 3, Bruce Bradley
Council Member Place 4, Matt Wheatley
Council Member, Place 6, Tom Crowley
- Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem, Council Member Place 2, Clay Ellis
Council Member Place 5, James Branch
- Staff Present: City Manager, Carl Alsabrook
City Attorney, Jason Day
City Secretary, Deborah Sorensen
Director of Finance, Shannon Raymond
Director of Develop. & Community Services, Rob Cooper
Police Chief, Jeff Stapleton
Fire Chief, Rickey Bell
Director of Public Works, Dario Lopez
Parks & Facilities Superintendent, Martin Torres
Director of HR, Tauna Ratliff
Main Street Manager, Paula Morris
Executive Director of Community Development Corp., Larry Lott

B. INVOCATION

Mayor Nichol gave invocation.

C. BUSINESS

1. Presentation and discussion concerning overview of 2018-2019 Budget, including presentation of effective and rollback rate, and any matters related thereto.

Each Department Head presented their budget request.

Mayor Nichol recessed the meeting for a break at 1:11 pm.

Mayor Nichol reconvened the meeting at 1:27 pm.

Each Department Head continued to present their budget request.

Council Member Wheatley left the meeting at 3:00 pm.

Shannon Raymond stated she should have the effective and rollback rate from Rockwall Central Appraisal District next week.

2. Consider and act upon approving a proposed maximum Tax Rate for 2018 for public notice requirements, and any matters related thereto.

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

Council Member Bradley made a motion to set the maximum proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 at the calculated rollback rate as will be determined by Rockwall Appraisal District prior to the notice deadline. Council Member Crowley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.**

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

Shannon Raymond stated that City Council is required to have two tax rate public hearings and one Budget public hearing. Staff is recommending having the tax rate public hearings on August 28th and September 4th and the Budget public hearing on September 4th.

Council Member Houk made a motion to call the tax rate public hearings for August 28th and September 4th and the Budget public hearing for September 4th. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.**

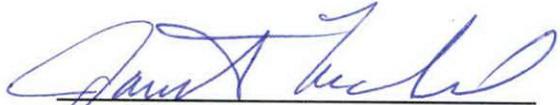
D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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 3:21 PM

Council Member Houk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Bradley seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.**


Janet Nichol, Mayor

ATTEST:


Deborah Sorensen, TRMC, CMC, City Secretary

