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Councilmember District D

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in special session **Monday, January 3, 2011,** at **6:15 p.m.** at City Hall, Second Floor Council Chambers, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, to consider the following:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Owen called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

Those also present: Mayor Pro Tem Kolaja, Councilmembers Wyatt, Nguyen, Marshall, Smith and Elackatt; City Manager Simpson, City Attorney Kelley, City Secretary Fogarty, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Fire Chief Sander, Director of Finance Vela, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Elmer, First Assistant City Attorney Smith, Assistant Director of Public Works Valiante, Director of Communications Brescian, Economic Development Coordinator Graf and Interim Fire Marshal DeFoore.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Consider and discuss Commercial Code Enforcement.

Fire Chief Sander presented an overview on Commercial Code Enforcement. He further stated that Staff is making a proposal to conduct commercial code enforcement out of the Fire Marshal's office. By transferring a person to the Fire Marshal's office, the commercial code enforcement will be coupled with fire inspection duties as one process. The goal of this program is to develop a partnership of fire code enforcement compliance with the applicable codes through education of businesses regarding the hazards and not depend solely on punitive enforcement measures. Additionally, it is common to observe violations of the Clean Air Act or Texas Water Code, an increased responsibility of the Fire Marshal's office. This position would be responsible for educating the commercial establishments of acceptable actions related to these laws. Fire Chief Sander announced that Curtis Campbell is the new Emergency Management Coordinator and that Jared DeFoore is serving as the Interim Fire Marshal.

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

After proper notice given pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council went into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. regarding:

Texas Government Code, Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay or expand in the city and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations: Ben E. Keith.

4. RECONVENE

At 6:55 p.m., Council reconvened into open session. No action taken.

5. ADJOURN

The special city council meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Patrice Fogarty, City Secretary