

YOLANDA FORD
Mayor

VASHAUNDR A EDWARDS
Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

CHRIS PRESTON
Mayor Pro Tem
Councilmember at Large Position No. 2



REGINALD PEARSON
Councilmember District A
JEFFREY L. BONEY
Councilmember District B
ANTHONY G. MAROULIS
Councilmember District C
FLOYD EMERY
Councilmember District D

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in special session on **Monday, September 16, 2019**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **6:00 p.m.** to consider the following:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Those also present: Councilmembers Pearson, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Attorney Iyamu, City Secretary Jackson, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Assistant City Manager Martel, Director of Human Resources Russell, Director of Development Services Spriggs, Director of Communications Walker, Fire Chief Campbell, Assistant Fire Chief Partido, Senior Budget Analyst Aaron, Media Specialist III Kalimkoottil, and Media Specialist III Sanders. Councilmember Edwards arrived at 6:03 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Preston arrived at 6:05 p.m.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Consider and discuss nominations for the Harris County Appraisal District and the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District board of directors.

City Secretary Jackson presented on nominations for the Harris County Appraisal District and the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District board of directors. City Council requested to submit names to the City Secretary by or before a deadline for consideration during the next City Council meeting.

- (b) Status update on the odor occurring around the McHard (F.M. 2234) and Fort Bend Parkway area.

Fire Chief Campbell presented an update on the odor occurring around the McHard (F.M. 2234) and Fort Bend Parkway area last week. During City investigations, the meter did not read any gas and it was noted the area was not in the City's jurisdiction and the City contacted entities responsible. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality came out and noted it was not an air quality issue but a drilling issue. Such information was also forwarded to the Railroad Commission. Chief Campbell also presented on the City's current emergency protocols.

Councilmember Boney asked how the City could better communicate with the outside entities about incidents that affect the quality of life in the City. City Attorney Iyamu stated the City would contact the state agencies that have jurisdiction, as they did in this case. They would also communicate to the public which state agencies were affecting them. City Manager Snipes stated that City Council could draft a letter to note the impact on the community and noted that as soon as information was provided, the City would communicate it to its residents.

Director of Communications Walker noted the safety protocol was in place for this incident and the Communication Department followed instructions provided by the City Manager's Office. Walker noted there

was no FAQ for the public as the information was fluid. She expressed concern about obtaining the facts on a timely matter in order to communicate it to Council and residents. Walker also stated they needed to make sure the agencies have a protocol on contacting the City on such incidents and what actions were to be taken. Media Specialist III Sanders shared his feedback on a post to social media about this incident. Mayor Ford requested a workshop for City Council regarding social media postings.

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

After proper notice was given pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council went into Executive Session at 6:53 p.m.

Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 – Consultation with attorney to seek or receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act: (i) The City of Missouri City, Texas v. Third Coast Services, LLC (Fort Bend County Cause Number 18-DCV-252938 in the 458th Judicial District of Fort Bend County, Texas); (ii) Ivy Kenneth Joy L. Mirafior and Josefina P. Serrano v. the City of Missouri City, Texas, and Yolanda Ford, in her official capacity as Mayor of the City of Missouri City, Texas (Harris County Cause Number 201920262- 7 in the 151st District Court of Harris County); (iii) Texas Open Meetings Act.

4. RECONVENE

At 7:10 p.m., Council reconvened into open session. No action was taken.

5. ADJOURN

The special City Council meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____ 2019.

Maria Jackson, City Secretary