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Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

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



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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 **Tuesday, January 21, 2020**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **5:45 p.m.** to consider the following:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Preston called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Those also present: Councilmembers Edwards, Sterling, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Attorney Iyamu, City Secretary Jackson, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Assistant City Manager Martel, Director of Public Works Kumar, Director of Development Services Spriggs, Director of Communications Walker, CIP Procurement Specialist Phillips, Planning Manager Gomez, Media Specialist II Kalimkoottil, and Media Specialist III Sanders. Councilmember Boney arrived at 5:47 p.m. Also present: Bob Wooten of Tradition Energy. Absent: Mayor Ford.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Discuss the Gulf Coast Water Authority's request to disannex approximately 4.2 acres of land for a pump station and related facilities. The proposed area of disannexation is located north of the Sienna Sports Complex, south of the Sienna Village of Bees Creek residential subdivision, east of the Brazos River, and west of the Brazos Canal Access Road.

City Attorney Iyamu presented on the Gulf Coast Water Authority's request to disannex approximately 4.2 acres of land for a pump station and related facilities. Councilmember Maroulis asked about other areas nearby that were disannexed. Director of Public Works Kumar presented a map with disannexed areas. Councilmember Boney asked if it cost the City any tax revenue and the impact of the contract with GCWA. Iyamu stated it would not affect the contract with GCWA, and in regards to the taxes, the GCWA owns the land and therefore the City would not collect taxes. Councilmember Emery inquired about the placement of the pump station. Kumar stated GCWA proposed upgrades to the pump stations. Councilmember Sterling inquired on the impact to the City's flooding. Kumar stated FEMA regulates what could or could not be developed on the land and the GCWA would have to comply with such. Iyamu stated no action was needed, at this time, as the agenda item was for informational purposes only.

- (b) Discuss the competitive offers from Retail Energy Providers (REP's) for the purchase of electricity.

Bob Wooten of Tradition Energy presented on competitive offers from Retail Energy Providers (REP's) for the purchase of electricity. Wooten noted the current contract would expire in 2023 and if the City takes advantage of the dip in the market to secure budget savings, the City could secure future pricing. If the City were to wait, the rate would continue to increase. City Manager Snipes stated that by locking the price the bill would be less than what was being paid at this time.

- (c) Discuss the City of Missouri City's 2020 State of the City event.

City Manager Snipes stated that last year, it was decided that the City would not utilize the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce to coordinate the State of the City but instead work with the City's Communications Department. He noted the Communications Director would work with the Mayor to coordinate the 2020 event. Councilmember Emery asked if we had funds for the event. Snipes stated the City does. Councilmember Boney asked how much it would cost. Director of Communications Walker stated the cost was provided to Council with how the State of the City was produced by the City and compared if it were produced by the Chamber. Snipes stated he would forward the email with financials to City Council. Councilmember Boney requested that when a decision was to move into a different direction, that City Council be notified of the decision and the new direction. Snipes noted guidance to move into a different direction was provided from the former mayor and the assumption was it would be a continuance of that.

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

After proper notice was given pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council went into Executive Session at 6:21 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) Jerry Flowers & Linda Flowers vs. Trent Williams, Missouri City, Texas, & the Manors Property Owners Association, Inc. (Cause No. 20-DCV-270180 in the 400th District Court of Fort Bend County).

4. RECONVENE

At 6:32 p.m., Council reconvened into open session.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to adjourn the special City Council meeting. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. ADJOURN

The special City Council meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____ 2020.

Maria Jackson, City Secretary