

ALLEN OWEN
Mayor

JERRY WYATT
Councilmember at Large Position 1

CHRIS PRESTON
Councilmember at Large Position 2



YOLANDA FORD
Mayor Pro Tem
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, August 27, 2018**, at the City Hall, Council Conference Room, 2nd Floor, behind the Council Chamber, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **5:30 p.m.** to consider the following:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Owen called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Those also present: Councilmembers Preston, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Attorney Iyamu, City Secretary Jackson, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Assistant City Manager Elmer, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kumar, Director of Financial Services Atmore, Director of Communications Walker, Director of Economic Development Esch, Interim Director of Financial Services Clarkson, Assistant Director of Public Works Brouhard, and Senior Budget Analyst Aaron. Also present: Renee Yan, Community Impact Newspaper, and Monica Riley. Councilmember Wyatt arrived 5:41 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Ford arrived at 5:48 p.m.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Presentation of the certified Harris County and Fort Bend County tax rolls.
- (b) Receive proposed tax rates and rolls.
- (c) Present the proposed fiscal year 2019 budget.

City Manager Snipes presented an overview of City Council's strategic goals; the FY 2018 strategic focus, priorities, and funding requirements; and, his budget considerations for FY 2019. Director of Financial Services Atmore presented an update on the certified tax rolls for Fort Bend and Harris Counties noting the effective calculation as .581873 and rollback calculation as .636933. She stated Staff's proposed rate was .63, less than the rollback rate, which provided for an estimated \$2,403,203 more revenue in the General Fund and generated an estimated \$1,072,408 more revenue in Debt Service. Director of Financial Services Atmore continued to discuss the certified values from FY 2016 to FY 2019, certified values and ARB reviews, taxable values, and tax increment reinvestment zones. City Manager Snipes discussed the City's community engagement for the proposed FY 2019 budget and upcoming budget work sessions. He continued to address the funding investment of priority needs with a .60 tax rate when compared to the proposed .63 tax rate. Director of Financial Services Atmore provided a historical analysis of the City's tax rate from FY 2009 to present; tax rate comparison; and, the average home values and proposed rates. Assistant City Manager Elmer presented highlights of the Capital Improvement Program. City Manager Snipes provided an update of the Animal Services Shelter operations. Director of Economic Development Esch presented an Economic Development update. City Manager Snipes informed City Council of the next steps for the FY 2019 budget to include additional work sessions, public hearings with the community, the setting of the maximum tax rate, and final tax adoption.

Councilmember Preston left the City Council meeting at 6:55 p.m.

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

After proper notice given pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council went into Executive Session at 6:55 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: Creekmont Community Association, Inc. and Rena Marshall v. Allen Owen, in his official capacity as Mayor of the City of Missouri City, Texas, and Maria Jackson, in her official capacity as City Secretary (Harris County Cause No. 2017-05988 in the 125th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas).

4. RECONVENE

At 7:00 p.m., Council reconvened into open session. Mayor Pro Tem Ford left the City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmember Emery moved to accept a settlement offer of up to \$95,000 in reimbursement as consideration for not pursuing additional attorney’s fees. Councilmember Wyatt seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. ADJOURN

The special City Council meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Allen Owen, Mayor

Maria Jackson, City Secretary