

CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 8, 2019
7286 Dietz Elkhorn, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015

I. OPEN MEETING

Council Present: Mayor Manitzas, Mayor Pro Tem Elizondo and Council Members Koerner, Hartpence, Maxton, Havard, and Patel.

With a quorum present, Mayor Manitzas called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by meeting attendee Ken Nichols.

II. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Brett Mussey, 8472 Rolling Acres Trail, asks Council to consider including the Human Resources and IT budget requests previously stated in the earlier budget workshops and, to help alleviate flooding issues, provide funds for culvert cleaning.

Wes Pieper, 9264 Dietz Elkhorn, requested clarification on the availability of increased funds, in this year's budget, for the old police building renovation, police generator and chip sealing of parking lot. He noted as the city has the capability to upload meeting recordings to its' website he asked consideration of utilizing this feature and, also noted speaking directly into microphones would benefit the audio recordings.

III. FY 2019-20 BUDGET and STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP

Finance Director Sarah Buckelew provided an overview on:

- 2018 Total tax rate 0.3668 (includes M&O and I&S)
- 2019 effective tax rate 0.3563
- 2019 Rollback tax rate 0.3791
- 2019 Proposed total tax rate 0.3668
- Average 2019 property value in Fair Oaks Ranch is \$504,541
- Draft budget assumes no increase to the total tax rate
- All but two strategic plan projects are funded; unfunded projects equal \$107,000 (.0067 tax)
- The renovation of the City Hall is financed with debt which will be seen in 2020 Tax Year.
- No water/wastewater rate increase
- Budget includes employee merit increases and a one-time \$750 pay incentive to all employees except City Manager


After a discussion and review of the strategic plan projects, City Council directed staff to fund the FM3351 Partnership and the Human Resources software. City Council confirmed their availability September 5th at 9:30 a.m. and September 12th at 6:30 p.m. for the budget and tax rate public hearings and, September 19th at 6:30 p.m. for the adoption of the budget and tax rate.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Manitzas adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.


Garry Manitzas, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christina Picioccio, City Secretary