

**MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Call to Order**

The City Council of the City of Katy, Texas, convened in regular session Monday, September 28, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., at Katy Municipal Complex, 910 Avenue C, Katy, Texas. The following City Officials were present:

Fabol Hughes, Mayor  
 Chuck Brawner, Mayor Pro Tem  
 Durran Dowdle, Councilmember  
 Jimmy Mendez, Councilmember  
 Steve Pierson, Councilmember  
 Art Pertile, III, City Attorney  
 David Leyendecker, City Engineer  
 Byron Hebert, City Administrator  
 Melissa A. Bunch, City Secretary

The following City Official was absent:

J. Gary Jones, Councilmember

**Proclamation Recognizing October 2015 as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month”, Katy Christian Ministries**

The Mayor read and presented the Proclamation recognizing October 2015 as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month” to Katy Christian Ministries Representatives.

**Public Comments**

All were given an opportunity to be heard and the following spoke: 1) Terri Hellwig, 26118 Wooded Hollow Lane, expressed concern about traffic in the area of H-E-B, where cars are turning the wrong way on Kingsland Boulevard and others who are not familiar with the entrance to H-E-B from Kingsland Boulevard and are entering and having to turn around in the former hospital parking lot. She asked the City to find a solution to these problems.

**Bank Statement and Check Register Thru 08-31-2015 (information items only)**

There were no comments on the bank statement and check register thru 08-31-2015.

**Consider Approval of Final Plat for Young Ranch, Street Dedication No. 1, Subdivision of 13.208 Acres, Located in Abstract 414, Waller County and Abstracts 394 and 395, Fort Bend County**

Motion was made by Councilmember Brawner, seconded by Councilmember Pierson, approving as printed and presented the Final Plat for Young Ranch, Street Dedication No. 1, Subdivision of 13.208 Acres, located in Abstract 414, Waller County and Abstracts 394 and 395, Fort Bend County. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Consider Awarding Bid for Wastewater Sludge Dewatering System (Belt Press) to R&B Group, Houston, Texas, in the Amount of \$1,852,000.00 (bids received 09-23-2015)**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, approving as printed and presented Awarding the Bid for Wastewater Sludge Dewatering System (Belt Press) to R&B Group, Houston, Texas, in the amount of \$1,852,000.00. The City Engineer explained the project should be completed in approximately ten months to one year. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**2015-2016 Budget****Ratify the 2015-2016 Budget – Property Tax Revenue Increase**

The City Attorney explained no action need to be taken.

**Adopting 2015-2016 Budget****Adopting 2015-2016 Budget - Public Hearing for Proposed 2015-2016 Budget**

The Mayor opened a Public Hearing at 6:39 p.m., for Proposed 2015-2016 Budget. All were given an opportunity to be heard there were none. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:39 p.m.

**Adopting 2015-2016 Budget - Approve Tax Rate of \$0.12989 on each \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation for Debt Service in support of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget**

Motion was made by Councilmember Mendez, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, approving as printed and presented the Tax Rate of \$0.12989 on each \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation for Debt Service in support of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget. A Roll Call vote was taken and the votes were cast as follows: Ayes – Brawner, Dowdle, Mendez, Pierson; Noes – none (*Councilmember Jones was absent from the meeting*). The motion to approve carried.

**Adopting 2015-2016 Budget - Approve Tax Rate of \$0.39683 on each \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation to Fund Maintenance and Operation Expenditures in support of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget**

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdle, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, approving as printed and presented the Tax Rate of \$0.39683 on each \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation to Fund Maintenance and Operation Expenditures in support of Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget. A Roll Call vote was taken and the votes were cast as follows: Ayes – Brawner, Dowdle, Mendez, Pierson; Noes – none (*Councilmember Jones was absent from the meeting*). The motion to approve carried.

**Adopting 2015-2016 Budget - Consider an Ordinance (No. 2719) Approving and Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; Making Appropriations for the City for such Fiscal Year as Reflected in Said Budget and Adopting and Approving Appendix A “Fee Schedule” of The Code Of Ordinances of the City of Katy**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Dowdle, approving as printed and read (*caption*) an Ordinance (*No. 2719*) Approving and Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; Making Appropriations for the City for such Fiscal Year as Reflected in Said Budget and Adopting and Approving Appendix A “Fee Schedule” of The Code Of Ordinances of the City of Katy. A Roll Call vote was taken and the votes were cast as follows: Ayes – Brawner, Dowdle, Mendez, Pierson; Noes – none (*Councilmember Jones was absent from the meeting*). The motion to approve carried.

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**Adopting 2015 Tax Rate - Consider an Ordinance (No. 2720) Providing for the Assessment, Levy and Collection of Ad Valorem Taxes for the Year 2015 and Each Year thereafter until otherwise provided; providing the Date such Taxes Shall be Due and Payable; Providing for Penalty and Interest on All Taxes Not Timely Paid**

Motion was made by Councilmember Brawner, seconded by Councilmember Pierson, stating, I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.52672, which is effectively a 13.12 percent increase in the tax rate and as printed and read (*caption*) an Ordinance (*No. 2720*) Providing for the Assessment, Levy and Collection of Ad Valorem Taxes for the Year 2015 and Each Year thereafter until otherwise provided; providing the Date such Taxes Shall be Due and Payable; Providing for Penalty and Interest on All Taxes Not Timely Paid. A Roll Call vote was taken and the votes were cast as follows: Ayes – Brawner, Dowdle, Mendez, Pierson; Noes – none (*Councilmember Jones was absent from the meeting*). The motion to approve carried.

**Katy-Fort Bend County Road Drainage Improvements - Consider a Resolution (No. 645) Designating the Katy-Fort Bend County Road Drainage Improvement Project as a Katy Management District No. 1 Project, Approving the Construction Plans and Authorizing Katy Management District No. 1 to Fund the Project**

Motion was made by Councilmember Mendez, seconded by Councilmember Pierson, approving as printed and presented a Resolution (*No. 645*) Designating the Katy-Fort Bend County Road Drainage Improvement Project as a Katy Management District No. 1 Project, Approving the Construction Plans and Authorizing Katy Management District No. 1 to Fund the Project. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Resolutions**

**Consider a Resolution (No. 646) Approving the Moving of Uncollectible Water, Sewer and Garbage Accounts from October 1, 2012 Through September 30, 2013 to a Bad Debt Historical Account**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, approving as printed and presented a Resolution (*No. 646*) Designating the Katy-Fort Bend County Road Drainage Improvement Project as a Katy Management District No. 1 Project, Approving the Construction Plans and Authorizing Katy Management District No. 1 to Fund the Project. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Consider a Resolution (No. 647) Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Mutual Aid Interlocal Agreement with Harris County Emergency Services District No. 48, for Emergency Assistance**

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdle, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, approving as printed and presented a Resolution (*No. 647*) the Moving of Uncollectible Water,

**Consider a Resolution (No. 647) Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Mutual Aid Interlocal Agreement with Harris County Emergency Services District No. 48, for Emergency Assistance (cont'd)**

Sewer and Garbage Accounts from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013 to a Bad Debt Historical Account. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Councilmembers' Reports**

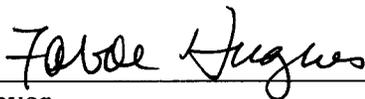
Councilmember Mendez, thanked Representative Schofield and former Councilmember Gore for their continued support to the City.

**Mayor's Reports**

The Mayor reported there would be a Fire truck for any Councilmembers that wanted to ride in the Rice Harvest Festival parade to be held on Saturday, October 3rd.

**Adjourn**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Mendez, adjourning the meeting. All voted Aye, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary