

# City Council Regular Session Meeting Minutes

Municipal Complex 311 Burton Hill Road Westworth Village, TX 76114 cityofwestworth.com

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 7:00 PM Council Chambers

ATTENDEES:

Mayor

L. Kelly Jones

Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Tiffany Aller Rosa Mendez John Davies Sharon Schmitz

Council Member City Secretary Police Chief Public Works Building Official Christina Cowden Brandy Barrett Kevin Reaves Cody Cooke Nader Jeri

HCGC Head Pro

Mike Krsnak

ABSENT:

**REGULAR SESSION:** 

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Jones at 7:00pm.

**INVOCATION** was given by Cody Cooke.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mayor Jones.

### PUBLIC HEARING #1 was opened at 7:02pm.

Public Hearing to receive citizen comments and input on a proposed moratorium on the acceptance of applications or the issuance of permits for residential property development in the SF-R districts of the City of Westworth Village. (The first public hearing on this topic took place at the Planning and Zoning Commission on October 2, 2020, following which a temporary moratorium in SF-R districts took effect on October 5, 2020. The second public hearing on this topic took place at the Special City Council meeting on October 9, 2020. The council will take action on this item during this council meeting.)

### Comments were made by:

- Margaret Worthington (5700 Tracyne)
- Phillip Poole (207 River Trail Ct)
- Michael Dingman (5809 Pollard)
- Melva Campbell (124 Smallwood)
- Virginia Zwick (305 Kenshire Dr, Benbrook, TX)
- Joseph Ambrose (5752 Aton)
- Darla Thornton (188 Pecan)
- Brian Libbey (5853 Straley)

Mayor Jones closed Public Hearing #1 at 7:19pm.

# PUBLIC HEARING #2 was opened at 7:20pm.

Public Hearing to receive citizen comments and input on the adoption of increased drainage charges for the Westworth Village Municipal Drainage Utility System, which was established in August 2011. There have

been no rate increases or studies since it was first adopted. TCEQ requires an engineering study every five years. The proposed rate increase and engineering expenses for an updated study have been included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021. (Public Hearings on this item were held on September 8<sup>th</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup>. The council will take action on this item during this council meeting.)

• Ms. Barrett to provide a brief recap of this item; following which there were no citizen comments.

# Mayor Jones closed Public Hearing #2 at 7:25pm.

#### **REGULAR SESSION:**

# 1. MOTION to approve the Agenda.

- MADE BY: Sharon Schmitz. SECOND: Tiffany Aller.
- Motion passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

# 2. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

All matters listed as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

# A. Approval of the Minutes:

- Council Meeting September 8, 2020
- Special Council Meeting September 15, 2020

# **B.** Approval of the Financial Reports:

- TexPool Report
- A/P Disbursements

FUND BALANCES Sept 2020	GENERAL	WATER	CAPITAL PROJECTS	CRIME CONTROL	DEBT SERVICE	WRA	HCGC	STREET
Revenue	\$747,180	\$150,263	\$82,123	\$55,497	\$145,041	\$304,194	\$186,476	\$125
Disbursements	\$487,003	\$303,629	\$169,858	\$53,666	\$750	\$235,313	\$286,737	\$97,257
Cash on Hand	\$394,738	\$419,886	\$430,896	\$162,416	\$145,654	\$86,848	\$283,670	\$66,630
TexPool	\$366,884	\$84,706	\$24,942	\$247	\$77,484	\$124,400	NA	NA
Money Market	\$350,000	\$500,000	NA	NA	\$129,000	\$1,090,000	NA	NA

C. Resolution 2021-01: Approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the companies 2020 rate review mechanism filing; declaring the existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustment consistent with the negotiated settlement. (Westworth Village is a member of the ACSC and the city adopted the current rate review mechanism was adopted in 2018.)

# **MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda.

- MADE BY: Rosa Mendez. SECOND: John Davies.
- Motion passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- 3. STAFF UPDATES: The Department Directors recapped their monthly reports.

#### 4. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Jones provided a brief recap of his prior 30 days, including:

- The announcement that Joey Alvarez accepted a position at another city, Cody Cooke was appointed the Interim Director.
- The City Administrator search is ongoing.
- The moratorium process on the agenda this evening.
- **5.** ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMITTEE UPDATES: A brief recap of the Public Safety and Golf and Parks committees were provided.
- 6. PUBLIC INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS Brandy Barrett, City Secretary

#### A. Announcements and Proclamations

- Declaring October 10, 2020 as Doris Dean Stewart Day, in recognition of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Candidate forum for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election will be held October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.
- Early voting begins October 13<sup>th</sup> for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election. This year's ballot includes:
  - o Council place 2: candidates Michael Dingman and Tiffany Aller
  - o Council place 3: candidates Brian Libbey and Phillip Poole
  - Council place 4: Abe Elizondo is running unopposed
  - o Council place 5 (unexpired term): candidates Dore Hendrix and Dani Briones
  - o Special election to re-authorize the ¼ cent street sales tax, a reauthorization vote is required every 4 years.

# B. Meetings

- Public Safety Committee meeting, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm
- Regular Council meeting, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm
- Planning and Zoning meeting, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

#### **C. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

- Amy Jacobs, 5849 Coleman emailed statement was read by Ms. Barrett.
- No other comments were submitted.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Jones convened in closed executive session at 7:52pm to deliberate the following items:

A. Consultation with Attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Receive legal advice related to the White Settlement and Big Mac Transports, INC 380 Agreement Lawsuits.

Mayor Jones re-convened in Regular Session at 8:30pm no action was necessary.

#### 7. ACTION ITEMS:

### A. Mayor Jones

Review and discuss the re-authorization of the ¼ cent street maintenance sales tax, which is required every four years.

Mayor Jones explained the impacts to the budget if the tax is not reauthorized on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mayor Jones encouraged current council members and candidates to encourage their constituents to vote in favor of this general sales tax. No action was taken on this discussion item.

# B. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on a request from the Popken Development Partners, LLC, to waive all or part of the permit fees for the development of Burton Hill Baptist Church Addition, Block 1, Lots 2-6. (The site development permit fee, \$6,487.40, has been paid, with an additional estimated building permit fee total of roughly \$15,000.)

MOTION to deny the request from the Popken Development Partners, LLC, to waive all or part of the permit fees for the development of Burton Hill Baptist Church Addition, Block 1, Lots 2-6.

• MADE BY: Tiffany Aller. SECOND: Rosa Mendez.

# **DISCUSSION:**

• Staff provided a brief overview, recommending the request be denied.

Motion passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

# C. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on Ordinance 471 establishing a 120-day moratorium on the acceptance of applications or the issuance of permits for residential property development in the SF-R districts of the City of Westworth Village. (The first public hearing on this topic took place at the Planning and Zoning Commission on October 2, 2020, following which a temporary moratorium in SF-R districts took effect on October 5, 2020. The second public hearing on this topic took place at the Special City Council meeting on October 9, 2020.)

MOTION to approve on Ordinance 471 establishing a 120-day moratorium on the acceptance of applications or the issuance of permits for residential property development in the SF-R districts of the City of Westworth Village.

• MADE BY: Tiffany Aller. SECOND: Rosa Mendez.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

• Staff provided an overview and recommended approval.

Motion passed by a vote of 4 Ayes and 1 Nays (Schmitz).

# D. Mayor Jones

Discuss and take action on Ordinance 472 increasing the drainage charges for the Westworth Village Municipal Drainage Utility System. (The original rate was established in August 2011 and there have been no rate increases or studies since it was first adopted. TCEQ requires a study every 5 years. The proposed rate increase revenue and engineering expenses for an updated study have been included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget.)

MOTION to approve Ordinance 472 increasing the drainage charges for the Westworth Village Municipal Drainage Utility System.

- MADE BY: Christina Cowden. SECOND: John Davies.
- **DISCUSSION:**

Staff provided an overview and recommended approval.

Motion passed by a vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm by Mayor Jones.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:

L. Kelly Jones, Mayor

SIGNATURE ATTESTED BY

Brandy G. Barrett, TRMC

City Secretary