

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2016**

Mayor Pro-Tem Don Mueller declared a Special Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 6:00 P.M.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Pro-Tem Don Mueller and Councilmembers Al Bryant, Terry Freese, Vincent Huerta, Russell Machann and Steven Schneider.

Councilmember absent were: Mayor Tim Barker

Staff members present were: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joan Anandel, City Secretary Paula Favors and Assistant to the City Manager Brandi Jimenez.

Visitors present were: None.

The second item on the agenda was roll call. Councilmember Russell Machann moved to excuse Mayor Tim Barker. Councilmember Terry Freese seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The third item on the agenda was the City of Wharton 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget:

A. Five Year Capital Improvement Program.

1. Transportation Systems.
 - A. Streets.
 - B. Major Thoroughfares.
2. Drainage System.
3. Water and Sewer Utility System.
4. Park System.
5. Sidewalk.
6. Flood Reduction Project-Levee.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. and Finance Director Joan Anandel presented the City Council the Capital Improvements Projects: the two alternatives for the FM 1301 Extension and railroad overpass project, Levee Project and Water Well Project. After some discussion, no action was taken.

- B. General Fund.
- C. PEG Fund.
- D. Hotel Motel Fund.

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- E. Narcotics Seizure Fund.
- F. Debt Fund.
- G. Capital Improvement Fund.
- H. Water & Sewer Fund.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget included a 10% increase in water and sewer rates.

- I. Solid Waste Fund.
- J. Emergency Medical Services Fund.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated that the Wharton Emergency Medical Services department would request \$1,412,520 from the Wharton County Emergency Services District No. 3.

- K. Civic Center Fund.
- L. Airport Fund.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. and Finance Director Joan Anandel presented the City of Wharton 2016-2017 fiscal year budget. City Manager Garza stated that it was a balanced budget in the general fund with no tax increase but an increase in utilities rates. Mrs. Anandel stated that the proposed budget included a 3% pay increase for all City Employees.

After discussing the proposed budget, no action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS

By: _____
TIM BARKER
Mayor

ATTEST:

PAULA FAVORS
City Secretary