



The City of Liberty City Council

Special & Joint Meeting - P & Z Commission

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Wednesday, July 16, 2014

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Carl Pickett	Mayor	Present	
Diane Huddleston	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Dennis Beasley	Councilperson	Present	
Frank Jordan	Councilperson	Present	
Louie Potetz	Councilperson	Present	
Libby Simonson	Councilperson	Present	
David Arnold	Councilperson	Absent	
Gary Broz	City Manager	Present	
Dianne Tidwell	City Secretary	Present	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the City Council regarding agenda and non-agenda items. Please be aware that, under Texas Law, the Council may not deliberate or take any action during Citizen's comments for items not on the agenda. In some situations, City Staff may be able to respond to the public comment with a factual statement or clarification. The City Council may have the item placed on a future agenda for action or refer the item to Management and Staff for study or conclusion.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Information Item (ID # 3058)

Presentation by J. Rice, Public Management, Inc., regarding the City's new Comprehensive Plan.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

This meeting was a Joint Meeting of the Liberty City Council and the City's Planning & Zoning Commission. Mr. J. Rice, Public Management, Inc., addressed both Boards regarding the draft of the City's new Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Rice explained that this document was financed through a Texas Community Development Grant, from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Mr. Rice stated that this plan is a tool that will serve to guide the City's future growth.

Mr. Rice reviewed the draft document, in detail, beginning with the history of Liberty and spoke to each portion of the plan to include housing, future projected population, land use, economic development, and the street system. After lengthy discussion of this plan, Mr. Rice stated that the final document will come before Council, in September, for final approval.

At 7:17 p.m., the Planning & Zoning Commission adjourned and took leave of the meeting.

At 7:18 p.m., Mayor Pickett recessed the meeting for a short break. At 7:28 p.m., Mayor Pickett reconvened the meeting.

B. Work Session

1. Work Session (ID # 3059)

Discussion of the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Management and Council discussed the various items from the previous night's Budget Work Session in further detail. Also discussed were:

- 1) Sharing the cost of a ground water study with the City of Dayton as both entities use the same aquifer,
- 2) Increase in water and sewer base fee to be placed in a restricted fund for future water and sewer projects (water well, etc.)
- 3) 2.6% increase in solid waste fee to be passed along to the customer
- 4) Fuel sales very good at the Airport
- 5) Fixed Asset Fund
- 6) Supervisor hired for the Electric Department
- 7) Hotel-Motel Fund
- 8) Meter Maintenance Fee
- 9) other numerous budget-related matters.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn

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Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary