

KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 AT 5:30 PM
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**THIS MEETING WILL BE PRIMARILY CONDUCTED VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.
THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE PARTICIPATING REMOTELY.
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REMOTELY OR THEY MAY SPEAK IN-PERSON IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN
CITY HALL (405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, KENNEDALE, TX 76060) WHERE TECHNOLOGY
WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALLOW ANYONE TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brian Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Participating via VideoConference: Mayor Brian Johnson; Chris Pugh, Place 2; Mayor Pro Tem Lee, Place 3; Linda Rhodes, Place 4; Chad Wandel, Place 5; **Absent:** Josh Altom, Place 1. **Staff Participating via VideoConference:** City Manager George Campbell, City Secretary and Communications Coordinator Leslie E. Galloway, City Attorney Drew Larkin, Finance Director Lakeita Sutton, Public Works Director Larry Hoover, Acting Fire Chief Brian King, Fire Chief James Brown, Police Chief Tommy Williams, Police Captain Darrel Hull, Library Director Amanda King, Director of Human Resources and Administrative Services Danielle Clarke, Director of Planning and Economic Development Melissa Dailey, Financial Analyst Debby Scott, Planner Meghan Riddlespurger, Administrative Assistant Rosie Ericson

II. WORK SESSION

- A. Continued discussion, if desired, regarding the City Manager's Proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Budget (Program of Services)

Finance Director Lakeita Sutton gave a presentation regarding the budget process to date, General Fund assumptions and highlights, the tax rate recommendation of \$0.801026, impacts of various tax rates, Council input to date, and next steps in the process.

III. REGULAR SESSION

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public hearing and consider the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Proposed Budget

Mayor Brian Johnson opened the public hearing at 5:44 p.m.

Andrew Schaffer spoke in support of the FY20-21 Proposed Budget; and **John Hivale**, **Rockie Gilley**, and **Joe Palmer** spoke against.

Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at 5:57 p.m.

Motion Postpone. **Action** Postpone consideration of action regarding the Fiscal Year 2020–2021 Proposed Budget until the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m., **Moved By** Wandel, **Seconded By** Pugh. **Motion passed unanimously.**

2. Public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2020–2021 Tax Rate and announce day of vote on tax rate

Mayor Brian Johnson opened the public hearing at 5:58 p.m.

Joe Palmer and **John Hivale** spoke against the recommended FY20-21 Tax Rate increase.

Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

Following the hearing, Mayor Johnson announced that the Council would consider action on the FY20-21 Tax Rate during the Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

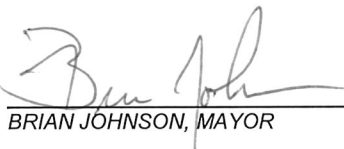
There was some discussion of the status of the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) funding, salary line items that had increased since FY19-20 due to step plan implementation, cuts made by the Library, the potential issuance of debt in 2021, splash pad availability and potential improvements, staff retirements, and the possibility of the Fire Department moving to a schedule of 48 hours on / 96 hours off (rather than the current 24/72).

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Adjourn. **Action** Adjourn **Moved By** Mayor Pro Tem Lee, **Seconded By** Rhodes. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVED:



BRIAN JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



LESLIE E. GALLOWAY, CITY SECRETARY