

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS
CITY OF EL LAGO**

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

The following minutes are record votes only. Recordings of the minutes can be requested through the City Secretary's office.

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1. COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice as required by law, Mayor White called the August 1, 2016 City Council meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.

The following city officials were present:

- Mayor Robert White
- Mayor Pro Tem John Skelton
- Councilperson Jim Kelly
- Councilperson Robert Kumar-Misir
- Councilperson Jeff Michalak
- City Secretary Ann Vernon

The following city official was absent:

- Councilperson Mark Briggs

2. PLEDGES

Mayor White led the pledges to the American and Texas flags.

3. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Hugh Brasseaux of 314 Willow Vista told Council that he has noted many tree branches hanging below the eight foot minimum over the street. Mayor White said he has already spoken to Maintenance about cutting them along the bus routes and will also get a message to the Chief about notifying homeowners.

Deanna Scott of 109 Bayou View asked Council to revisit the fact that there is still no streetlight in the Bayou View cul de sac. Mrs. Scott said it is very dark on nights with no moon and that there have been some instances of vandalism.

Robert Burke of 1714 W. Hedgecroft asked Council to stop the "selective code enforcement" that is creating discord in the community. He also asked if city ordinances apply to HOA Parks because he believes there are several violations in the Taylorcrest HOA Park. He said there is a sink hold under the tennis courts, a wooden stand which is unsafe and an area that holds water.

4. WORKSHOP SESSION - THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY, THERE WILL BE NO MOTIONS OR APPROVALS MADE.

4.1. DISCUSS FY2017 BUDGET AND TAX RATE

Deanna Scott of the Parks Board reviewed a proposed Parks Department budget in the amount of \$13,020.00

Art Richard, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator said the Committee would be meeting on Thursday and would get a proposed budget to the Council after that date.

City Council reviewed the Mayor's FY2017 proposed budget which included the FY2016 approved budget and estimated FY2016 end of year incomes and expenses.

Mayor White called for a recess at 8:15 p.m.

Mayor White reconvened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Council continued to discuss the proposed FY2017 budget.

Mayor White stated that the regular meeting would be recessed at 8:55 p.m. and would go into Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 in order to discuss personnel matters relating to the budget.

Mayor White reconvened the regular meeting at 9:50 p.m.

4.2. DISCUSS ENERGY OPTIONS FOR THE CITY (Mayor White)

Mayor White discussed potential solar energy options for the city.

5. OTHER ITEMS COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST FOR CONSIDERATION ON A FUTURE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

Robert White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann Vernon, City Secretary