

City Council  
City of Hillsboro, Texas  
Special Meeting  
September 30, 2024

The Hillsboro City Council and City Staff conducted a City Council Special Session Meeting on Tuesday, September 30, 2024. The meeting was held at Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin Street in Hillsboro, Texas at 6:00 p.m.

Present were:

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| Scott Johnson, Mayor                               | Megan Henderson, City Manager                |
| Eric Fleming, Councilmember                        | Tony Cain, Assistant City Manager            |
| Larry Lloyd, Councilmember                         | Jasmine Guy, City Secretary                  |
| Leann Richmond, Council Member                     | Justin Dyer, Library Director                |
| Jay Jolly, Councilmember                           | Jessica Trew, Executive Director of HEDC     |
| Frances Zarate, Councilmember                      | Allyson Cliett, Special Projects Coordinator |
| Dale Snyder, Finance Director                      |                                              |
| Christi Ward, Communications & Executive Assistant |                                              |

Councilmember Dana Robinson was absent

Others present:

Shannon Cottongame, Reporter  
Sergeant Dominique Anderson, Hillsboro Police Department

Mayor Johnson called the Special Meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

**Hear Statements from Persons Wishing to Address Council**

There were none

(Agenda Item #03)

**Hold a Public Hearing, Second Reading and Deliberate and Act on an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.**

Finance Director, Dale Snyder provided Council with a draft of the ordinance and Annual Budget for 2024-2025 in the Special Meeting Packet. He reported that this will serve as the “year end clean up.” Increases occurred in amounts received for sales and property taxes, interest income, fines and forfeitures and other revenue. There was a decrease in ARPA funds recognized in prior year. He reviewed the increases within expenses before opening for questions.

With no further questions or comments from the Councilmembers, the Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 6:02p.m. No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:03p.m. On motion by Councilmember Fleming and second by Councilmember

Richmond the ordinance was accepted and approved.

On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Zarate, Richmond, Jolly

Nays: None Absent: Robinson

***Ordinance No. O2024-09-17***

(Agenda Item #04)

**Hold a Public Hearing Second Reading, Deliberate and Act on an Ordinance Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Finance Director, Dale Snyder provided Council with a draft of the ordinance and Annual Budget for 2023-2024 in the Special Meeting Packet. City Manager, Megan Henderson presented the agenda item. City Manager Henderson explained that the overall budget does exceed last year's budget by a little under \$2 million. All funds within the budget are balanced. She shared with council the proposed budget is based on a proposed tax rate of \$0.770600 per \$100. This is a reduction of \$230k from the original proposed budget and reflects a drop in taxes to the no-new-revenue rate.

With no further questions or comments from the Councilmembers, the Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 6:03p.m. No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:04p.m. On motion by Councilmember Jolly and second by Councilmember Lloyd, the ordinance was accepted and approved.

On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Zarate, Richmond, Jolly

Nays: None Absent: Robinson

***Ordinance No. O2024-09-17***

(Agenda Item #05)

**Hold a Public Hearing, Second Reading on an Ordinance to Adopt a 2024 Ad Valorem Tax Rate**

Finance Director, Dale Snyder provided Council with a draft of the proposed ordinance in the Special Meeting Packet. City Manager, Megan Henderson presented that as previously stated, the tax rate is now proposed at \$0.770600 per \$100. There was reduce within the maintenance and operating fund to \$0.645500 and the Debt Service rate will remain at \$0.125100.

With no further questions or comments from the Councilmembers, the Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 6:05p.m. No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:06p.m. Mayor Johnson ruled that the public hearing was complete. No action was taken.

(Agenda Item #6)

**Deliberate and Act on an Ordinance to Adopt a 2024 Ad Valorem Tax Rate.**

City Manager, Megan Henderson shared that the public hearing was just previously held and completed. This item will serve as the official vote for the adoption of the tax rate.

With no further questions or comments from council. A motion was made by Councilmember Richmond and second by Councilmember Fleming. The ordinance was adopted and approved.

On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Zarate, Richmond, Jolly

Nays: None Absent: Robinson

**Ordinance No. O2024-09-19**

(Agenda Item #7)

**Deliberate and Act on a Resolution to Ratify the 2024 Ad Valorem Tax Rate.**

City Manager Henderson shared that there is a requirement for the adopted tax rate to be ratified.

There were no further questions or comments from council. A motion was made by Councilmember Lloyd and second by Councilmember Richmond. The resolution was adopted and approved.

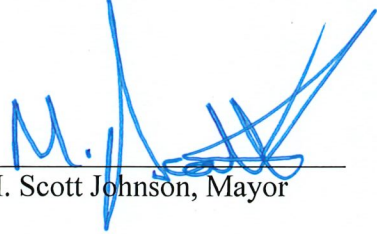
On roll call, the following votes were cast:

Ayes: Fleming, Lloyd, Zarate, Richmond, Jolly

Nays: None Absent: Robinson

**Resolution No. R2024-09-60**

With no further questions or business to address, Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:07p.m.



M. Scott Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jasmine Guy, City Secretary

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