

**Minutes
Hurst City Council
Work Session
Tuesday, October 25, 2016**

On the 25th day of October 2016, at p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at Hurst City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Richard Ward	)	Mayor
Larry Kitchens	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Bill McLendon	)	Councilmembers
Henry Wilson)	
Nancy Welton)	
David Booe)	
Trasa Cobern)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
John Boyle	)	City Attorney
Allan Heindel	)	Deputy City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Greg Dickens	)	Executive Director of Public Works
Clayton Fulton	)	Executive Director of Fiscal and Strategic Services
Malaika Farmer Marion	)	Executive Director of Administrative Services
Michelle Lazo	)	Managing Director of Development
Steve Moore	)	Police Chief
Steven Niekamp	)	Assistant Police Chief
Pat McGrail	)	Police Detective

With the following Councilmembers absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m.

II. Informational Items – City Manager Clay Caruthers introduced newly hired Executive Director of Fiscal and Strategic Services

- **Update and Discussion on new Hurst History Video production** – Executive Director of Administration Malaika Farmer Marion briefed Councilmembers on the Hurst history video production and how they are adding to the original video and developing a script to narration. She stated they hoped to also use the information as a marketing tool. Council discussed a few milestones worthy of note in the video.

Council moved to Work Session Item III.

III. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 7

Consider Ordinance 2339, first and final reading, amending Republic Services contract and

residential, commercial and industrial trash and residential recycling rates. Executive Director of Administration Services Malaika Marion Farmer briefed Councilmembers on the proposed Ordinance amending Republic Services contract and residential, commercial and industrial trash and residential recycling rates. She explained the proposal is for a 3 percent increase effective November 1, 2016, and 3 percent increase effective November 1, 2017. Ms. Farmer stated the City's rate will still be below other area cities and is an impact of .34 to the average homeowner.

Council moved to Informational Items.

- **Update and Discussion on Police Neighborhood Outreach and Community Statistics** – Police Chief Steve Moore provided information regarding crime statistics and briefed Councilmembers on the significant impact the mall and Walmart have on the statistics. He explained Walmart is implementing a program to address theft, which will reduce the activity numbers. Chief Moore explained how the data is collected and reported, and how the multi-family housing ordinance is decreasing some crime activity. Discussed were outreach methods to keep citizens informed and the best source to obtain accurate information regarding crime statistics.
- **Discussion of Rental Registration renewal and inspection fees** – Building Official Vince King reviewed the current ordinance for the rental registration program, and stated the ordinance has been effective. Mr. King stated the ordinance currently allows for an annual rental registration fee, that has not been collected but staff wishes to enforce that section of the ordinance. He explained the fee will reduce the cost of doing business and insure units are being inspected. There was discussion regarding notification methods regarding the rental registration fee.

IV. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 8, 9, and 10

Consider Ordinance 2340, first reading, amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, adding Article VI Junked Vehicles; repealing conflicting ordinances and declaring junked vehicles to be a public nuisance

Consider Ordinance 2341, first reading, amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Section 24-21 View and Passage Obstructions, declaring low lying branches and shrubs to be a public nuisance

Consider Ordinance 2342, first reading, amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, adding Section 10-80.5 "Dead Trees", declaring dead trees to be a public nuisance

Managing Director of Development Michelle Lazo briefed Councilmembers on the proposed Ordinances amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, adding Article VI Junked Vehicles; amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Section 24-21 View and Passage Obstructions, declaring low lying branches and shrubs to be a public nuisance and amending the City of Hurst Code of Ordinances, adding Section 10-80.5 "Dead Trees", declaring dead trees to be a public nuisance. Ms. Lazo stated the ordinances will define junked vehicles and outline notice procedures, protect large vehicles from damage from low lying limbs, and reduce visibility issues from shrubs in the right-of-

way, and decrease safety concerns with the removal of dead trees. Discussed were notification processes and means to help individuals abate issues if there are financial hardships.

V. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 11

Consider Resolution 1656 in support of local control for the upcoming 85th Legislative Session. City Manager Clay Caruthers briefed Councilmembers on Resolution 1656 in support of local control for the upcoming 85th Legislative Session.

The following items were not discussed in work session:

VI. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 12

Consider Resolution 1657 authorizing the city manager to submit a grant application for the Mobile Forensic Project to the Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Center.

Stephen Moore

VII. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 13

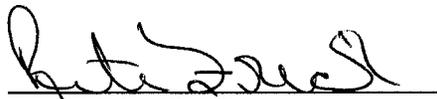
Consider authorizing the city manager to approve funding for the 42nd Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Sheri Lane Paving and Water Improvements

Greg Dickens

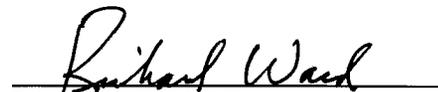
VIII. Adjournment - The work session adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

APPROVED this the 8th day of November 2016.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Richard Ward, Mayor