

**MIDLAND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
August 04, 2015**

The City Council convened in a Special Session in the **Council Chamber**, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at ____ a.m. on August 04, 2015.

Council Members present: Mayor Jerry F. Morales, Mayor Pro Tem Scott Dufford (At-Large), Council Member Spencer Robnett (At-Large), Council Member Jeff Sparks (District 1), Council Member John B. Love, III (District 2), Council Member Sharla Hotchkiss (District 3), and Council Member J.Ross Lacy (District 4).

Council Members absent: None.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Approved a resolution recording the vote on a proposal to consider an ad valorem tax rate for FY 2015-2016 and establish dates to hold public hearings. (FINANCE)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015 - 228

RESOLUTION RECORDING A VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 AND TO ESTABLISH DATES TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE; ESTABLISHING DATES WHEN THERE WILL BE A RECORD VOTE ON THE TAX RATE; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO POST ALL APPROPRIATE NOTICES

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Council Member Lacy moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015 - 228 .38048; seconded by Council Member Love.

Pam worked up chart of average. prpoposed rate not nec the final rate but max rqate you can do you can go down but can't go up. all notices based on what you decidee today.. proposed budget has 3% effective plus 3%.

Dufford every 1 penny add 1.1 M to budget. pam yes over effective rate. rollback 39.02 if go into 6 and 7 percent rollback would be low. rec would be to stay away from higher rates. Pam different calculation onr ollback rate.

Mayor what does plus 3 get. adds 2.7 m or addition 1.2 m. Its what built gen fund on maintain mill and overlay 1.3m st imp and buy 21 police vehicle fire pumper truck, put in some pay progression for public safety and one time 3% for rest of employees. Morales based on past history formula seems to work to keep us otu of trouble and ahead of game. think this allows to keep up with growth. always optomistic that will see rebound but need to continue miantaining. Courtney current budget yr val 1.2 B 3 years eval have rose to San Marcos level city. Increased our valuations to total valuations of san

marcos in 3 year period. This budget tied around effective plus 3% is what staff believes will provide adequate funds for and services customers are used to. put in safety nets in case sales tax cont to decline can put in trigger. Love remind of safety nets. Courtney revenue est on sales tax is very conservative and more than meet what projecting on revenue and have some budgeted item worse case scenario if wrong on revenues on sales tax 2M effect. Have items that can hold off on purchasing until can see what sales tax will do. unapopr fund balance. should sales tax come back cut 4M out of mill and overlay can come back at approp time to move forward. should get sales tax info next week be able to continue to monitor sales tax. Lacy dont' think already saw 1.5M decrease in hotel to break trend need sig econ event. very hesitatnt about upcoming revnue projections for upcoming years. Property tax set the other variables. would cut budget not increase tax rate beyond effective plus 3. sparks which is what courtney said he has things identified that can cut or hold off on.

Mayor understand repercussions of cutting too much. Dufford in past went to effective rate and next year went effective rate plus 6 if just maintain then we are good. works well with population growth and look at inflation is higher than around country. its fiscally responsible in the budget.

discussion about evening meeting noted no one in attendance.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYE: Love, Sparks, Morales, Dufford, Lacy, Robnett. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Hotchkiss.

9:14

All of the business at hand having been completed, the meeting adjourned at ____ p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED the __ day of ____, ____.

Jerry F. Morales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy M. Turner, City Secretary