



The City Council convened in **Special** Session in the Beal Ranch House, Midland, Texas, at 9:00 AM, Friday, March 10, 2023.

Council Members present: Amy Stretcher Burkes, Dan Corrales, Robin Poole, Lori Blong, Scott Dufford, Jack Ladd, John Norman

Council Members absent: None

Staff members present: City Manager Robert Patrick, City Attorney John Ohnemiller, Deputy City Manager Morris Williams Jr, Assistant City Manager Tina Jauz, City Governance Officer/City Secretary Marcia Bentley-German, Solid Waste Director Jeffery Ahrlott, Fire Chief Charles Blumenauer, Utilities Director Carl Craig, Chief Information Officer Jennifer Frescaz, Development Services Director Charles Harrington, Police Chief Seth Herman, Director of Community Services Cristina Odenborg Burns, Engineering Services Director Jose Ortiz, General Services Director Regina Stephenson, Director of Finance Christy Weakland, Administrative Services Director Mark Widmann, Manager of Communications & Marketing Karisa Danley

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m.

SPECIAL SESSION

1. The City Council will meet with Council appointees, City Staff, and others in a workshop to discuss and consider City policy, management, operational, and budgeting issues for the current fiscal year and future fiscal years. The matters to be discussed may include, but are not limited to, issues related to streets, roads, and water and sewer infrastructure; water supply and resources; parks and recreation; community services; public health and safety; land use and development; economic development; personnel; airports; technology; solid waste management; real property; and oil and gas development. The City Council may develop and prioritize actions and goals in connection with the foregoing matters.

Lyle Sumek, with Lyle Sumek Associates, Inc. provided a review of the discussion of the last meeting with Council and the items that were identified by, agreed on and signed off on as a Council. Mr. Sumek worked with the City Council, City Management and Department Directors to come up with priorities and goals through 2028.

The goals for the next five years Council agreed upon were to have upgraded City facilities and infrastructure through investment; a high performing Midland City team; make Midland a great place to live and a premier City in West Texas; and have a strong economy with more quality jobs.

A few of the top priorities were the use and direction of the Hotel Occupancy Tax; phase 1 of the Police & Fire training facility; funding and direction of the South Midland dirt road paving (COMPASS); Northeast and Northwest right-of-way direction and funding; Tax Rate and Fire Pension discussion and direction.

Some of the high priorities discussed were direction and use of funding of Oil and Gas revenues; upgrades to Beal Park and indoor sports facilities partnerships; outer loop right-of-way and TXDot funding; City employee compensation and funding; funding for additional Public Safety staffing and an Executive Air Park Development/Land use plan/direction.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2. Pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.101, the City Council will hold an Executive Session, which is closed to the public, to discuss the following matters as permitted under the following sections of the Texas Government Code:
 - a. Section 551.074, Personnel Matters
 - a.1. Deliberate the employment, evaluation, and duties of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Secretary, Municipal Court Presiding Judge, and Municipal Court Associate Judge.

All the business at hand having been completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED March 28, 2023.

Lori Blong, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marcia Bentley-German
City Governance Officer/City Secretary