

**MIDLAND CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
August 01, 2017**

BRIEFING SESSION

The City Council convened in a Briefing Session in the basement conference room, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at ____ a.m. on August 01, 2017.

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

Council Members absent: None.

Staff members present: City Manager Courtney Sharp, City Attorney John Ohnemiller, Deputy City Manager Tommy Hudson, Assistant City Manager Frank Salvato, Assistant City Manager Robert Patrick, City Secretary Amy Turner, Police Chief Price Robinson, Interim Fire Chief Chip Balzer, Utilities Director Laura Wilson, Administrative Services Director Catherine Clifton, Finance Director Pam Simecka, Development Services Director Charles Harrington, Community Services Director Tina Jauz, Engineering Services Director Jose Ortiz, Director of Airports Justine Ruff, General Services Director Fred Reyes, Chief Information Officer Willie Resto, Solid Waste Director Morris Williams, Planning Division Manager Jessica Carpenter, Building Official Steve Thorpe, and Public Information Officer Sara Bustilloz.

The foregoing agenda items were discussed by the City Council with no formal action taken. The Briefing Session was adjourned at ____ a.m.

REGULAR SESSION

The City Council convened in regular session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., August 01, 2017.

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

Council Members absent: None.

Staff members present at the annex table: City Manager Courtney Sharp, City Attorney John Ohnemiller, Assistant City Manager Frank Salvato, and Assistant City Manager Robert Patrick.

The Agenda Items were heard in the following order:

Mayor Morales called the meeting to order at __ a.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

3. Approved a resolution recording the vote on a proposal to consider an ad valorem tax rate for FY 2017-2018. (FINANCE)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 208

RESOLUTION RECORDING A VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 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

Council Member Dufford moved to adopt Resolution No. 2017 - 208; seconded by Council Member Lacy.

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dates of first public hearing will be August 15 first ph and August 22 tax increase august 29 for ph on budget. August 29 first reading of budget and tx rate second reading sept 12.

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

4. Discuss a proposed bond election to be held in the City of Midland for street, waterworks, and sewer system improvements, including but not limited to: street, waterworks and sewer system projects; the aggregate principal amount of the bonds; and other matters incident and related to such proposed bond election. This is a discussion item only and no action will be taken.

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

PASSED AND APPROVED the __ day of ____, 2017.

Jerry F. Morales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy M. Turner, City Secretary