

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 22nd, 2011

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 22nd day of August, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in a special meeting in the Council Chambers, 512 E. Brazos, West Columbia, Texas.

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were Kincannon, Thomas, Tindol, Schwebel and Walker, Griggs, Sutherland and Kuban. Absent was Gilbert.
2. CLOSED MEETING – THE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN A CLOSED SESSION OR A CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551 ENTITLED “OPEN MEETINGS” OF A TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AS FOLLOWS: PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE TO CONSULT WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AGAINST ACITON ASSETS, LLC: Mayor Kincannon entered into a closed meeting at 6:31 p.m. and reconvened in an open meeting at 6:51 p.m.
3. ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED MEETING: Motion was made by Tindol to join with Brazoria County in any litigation against Action Assets, LLC. Motion was seconded by Schwebel. All voted Aye.
4. ADJOURN: Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.


LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:


KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary

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1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Kincannon, Thomas, Tindol, Schwebel and Walker, Griggs, Sutherland and Kuban. Absent was Gilbert.
2. PUBLIC HEARING -- PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL BY 7.16 PERCENT: Mayor Kincannon opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. No public comments were made. Public hearing was closed at 7:01 p.m.
3. BUDGET WORKSHOP: Sutherland reported that she had made some adjustments to revenue accounts and that she and the Mayor had met with the ESD to request any additional funds to offset CEMS budget and were able to acquire \$12,000. Kincannon was also able to get Fire Prevention sponsorship from Brian Lane State Farm to decrease the Fire Department and Fire Marshall budgets by a total of \$3,000. Annual rental fees for the softball fields for Columbia High School and WCGSA will be forgiven in lieu of their taking on the electrical accounts. Also discussed was water and sewer rate increases of .75 each and lowering the minimum amount from 2000 to 1500 gallons. Tap fees could be increased as well as municipal court fines. Next budget workshop is scheduled for August 29th at 7pm.
4. ADJOURN: Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



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