

Minutes
Special Council Meeting
August 13, 2013

On this 13th day of August 2013, at 12:00 p.m. the City Council of the City of Devine convened in a Special Meeting; the same being opened to the public at their regular meeting place; thereof, at City Hall, 303 S. Teel Drive, Devine, Texas. Notice of said Meeting having been prescribed in Chapter 551, Government Code, and Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, and the following members being present:

Mayor William L. Herring
Alderman Hal Lance
Alderwoman Kathy Wilkins
Alderwoman Gina Champion
Alderman Steve A. Lopez

Absent being: Alderman David Valdez; thus, constituting a quorum.

Personnel present: Gary L. Pelech, City Administrator; Dora V. Rodriguez, City Secretary and Denise Duffy, City Accountant/Treasurer.

Others present: Sandy Herrera, Devine News; and Sonia J. Lance, Devine, Texas.

Mayor Herring, presiding, declared the meeting open.

The first order of business was to discuss and consider recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission for Meeting held on August 12, 2013:

- a. **Public Hearing** on Final Report for changing the zoning classification of property consisting of approximately 31 acres of land located along the north side of Hondo Avenue W. in the City of Devine, from Class A. Single Family Residence District to Class H. Commercial Business District, which is proposed to include any or all properties with the following addresses: 1030 CR 7610 (R52335); 1324 Hondo Ave. W. (R6972); 1230 Hondo Ave. W. (R6978, R80053); 1250 Hondo Ave. W. (R59526, R80261); 1270 Hondo Ave. W. (R59599); 1304 Hondo Ave. W. (R57169); 1284 Hondo Ave. W. (R57147); 1280 Hondo Ave. W. (R67854) and 1240 Hondo Ave. W. (R65725).

At 12:01 p.m., Mayor Herring announced that the Public Hearing was open.

There were no comments from the public.

At 12:03 p.m., Mayor Herring closed the Public Hearing.

- b. Approving the Final Report for changing the zoning classification of property consisting of approximately 31 acres of land located along the north side of Hondo Avenue W. in the City of Devine, from Class A. Single Family Residence District to Class H. Commercial Business District, which is proposed to include any or all properties with the following addresses: 1030 CR 7610 (R52335); 1324 Hondo Ave. W. (R6972); 1230 Hondo Ave. W. (R6978, R80053); 1250 Hondo Ave. W. (R59526, R80261); 1270 Hondo Ave. W. (R59599); 1304 Hondo Ave. W. (R57169); 1284 Hondo Ave. W. (R57147); 1280 Hondo Ave. W. (R67854) and 1240 Hondo Ave. W. (R65725).

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Motion by Alderwoman Wilkins, seconded by Alderman Lance to approve the Final Report for changing the zoning classification of property consisting of approximately 31 acres of land located along the north side of Hondo Avenue W. in the City of Devine, from Class A. Single Family Residence District to Class H. Commercial Business District, which is proposed to include any or all properties with the following addresses: 1030 CR 7610 (R52335); 1324 Hondo Ave. W. (R6972); 1230 Hondo Ave. W. (R6978, R80053); 1250 Hondo Ave. W. (R59526, R80261); 1270 Hondo Ave. W. (R59599); 1304 Hondo Ave. W. (R57169); 1284 Hondo Ave. W. (R57147); 1280 Hondo Ave. W. (R67854) and 1240 Hondo Ave. W. (R65725).

Ayes	--	Four
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	One (Alderman Valdez)

Motion carried.

The second order of business was to discuss and consider review of:

- Rate A. Review of Effective and Rollback Tax Rates
- Rate B. Review Schedule A, B, C
- Rate C. Review Tax Rate

Mayor Herring thanked City Accountant, Denise Duffy, City Secretary, Dora V. Rodriguez, Financial Advisor, Mary Badillo and Josie Campa from the City of Lytle for their help with this item. He also said that he would like to stay at the current tax rate of .5690.

City Administrator, Gary Pelech said that he wanted to continue to put money towards the paving of streets.

Council reviewed worksheets and discussed Schedules A, B and C with City Administrator Gary Pelech.

The third order of business was to review 2013 Appraisal Roll Certified by James Garcia with Medina County Appraisal.

Council reviewed worksheet.

Councilman Lance stated that he spoke with a representative from the Medina Valley Times and he told them that the Appraisal District's budget increases in the same fashion year after year and it needed to stop. He said that twelve entities would have to deny it for something to be done.

Sandy Herrera with the Devine News said that the City of Natalia along with Natalia ISD also denied the Appraisal District's Budget.

The fourth order of business was the Budget Workshop.

City Administrator, Gary Pelech said that he was still meeting with all of the departments. He mentioned that he wanted to increase money in the street department.

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Council held discussion on which areas of town needed to be paved.

City Administrator, Gary Pelech said that the City Park needed some attention. He added that the existing playground equipment needed to be removed and replaced.

There being no further business to come before the governing body, motion made by Alderwoman Wilkins, seconded by Alderwoman Champion to adjourn meeting.

Ayes	--	Four
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	One (Alderman Valdez)

Motion carried.

Mayor

City Secretary