

The City of Galena Park

City Commission Meeting

Date: September 20, 2016

A Public Hearing meeting of the City Commission of the City of Galena Park was held at City Hall in the Council Chambers, Tuesday evening at 5:30 P.M. on September 20, 2016.

Present were:

Esmeralda Moya	Mayor
Rodney Chersky	Commissioner
Oscar Silva, Jr.	Commissioner
Eric Broussard	Commissioner
Barry Ponder	Commissioner
Mayra Gonzales	City Secretary
Robert Collins	City Attorney

Mayor called meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and stated that this was a public hearing for the 2016-2017 budget. Commissioner Chersky called on Mr. Jones, Water Superintendent, to discuss what the water department is working on and how they can save the city a bit of money. Mr. Jones stated that the city has two wells that can run 10% gallons of water a year and it has not been used for the last 5 years. Mr. Jones stated that starting October the city will supplement 2 million gallons of well water a month, that will save the city two million gallons of water paid to the City of Houston a month. Commissioner Broussard asked if the city had to worry about subsidence. Mr. Jones stated that the city did have subsidence, but is permitted to pump 25 million a year. Commissioner Broussard asked how much will that save the city. Mr. Jones stated that it would be like not paying the water bill to the City of Houston for one month. Commissioner Broussard asked if they have a way to check for subsidence. Mr. Jones stated that USGA comes out and checks the wells once a year. Commissioner Broussard stated that with the climate change they have been having a lot more flooding, but if it is subsidence they want to make sure and keep track of that. Mayor and commission thanked Mr. Jones for saving the city money.

Commissioner Broussard made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Silva, 2nd...Mayor Moya called for the vote: Commissioner Chersky...Aye, Commissioner Silva...Aye, Mayor Moya...Aye, Commissioner Broussard...Aye, Commissioner Ponder...Aye...Vote: 5 Ayes...Motion Carried.

Meetings adjourn: 5:38


Mayra Gonzales


Approved