

OFFICIAL ACTIONS OF THE ADDISON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AND WORK SESSION

September 3, 2013

6:00 PM - Town Hall

Addison Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Rd., Dallas, TX 75254 | 6:00pm

Work Session | 7:30pm Special Meeting

Chris Terry, 08/30/13, 5:00pm

Council Members Present:

Arfsten, Clemens, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Meier, Moore, Resnik

Absent:

None

Item #WS1 - Discussion regarding the Town of Addison Strategic Plan, including City Council goals, objectives, visioning and value proposition.

Item #WS2 - Presentations, review and discussion of and regarding the proposed annual budget for the Town for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 (beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014), including but not limited to the Utility Fund, Stormwater Fund, Airport Fund, Hotel Fund, General Fund, and the Economic Development Fund, and including a discussion regarding the Accelerated Ventures Program (an entrepreneurial program) and opportunities for collaboration with the Dallas Entrepreneur Center (DEC), the North Texas Regional Center for Innovation Commercialization (RCIC), and the Dallas Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

Item #S1 - PUBLIC HEARING on a proposal to increase total tax

revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 10.2 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code).

The following Addison residents spoke on this item:

Ivan Hughes - 14925 Oaks North Dr.
Robert "Bob" Jacoby - 4016 Rive Ln.

There was no action taken.

Item #S2 - PUBLIC HEARING regarding the Town of Addison's Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014.

Justin Pierce, Addison Police Officer and President of the Addison Police Association, spoke on this item.

There was no action taken.

Item #S3 - Discussion and take action regarding the proposed Town budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014.

John Hill, City Attorney, spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Resnik to postpone a decision on the budget and to take no action until the September 10th Agenda meeting.

A motion to Move was made by Council Member Neil Resnik.
The motion was seconded by Council Member Blake Clemens.
The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, Clemens, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Meier, Moore, Resnik

Voting Nay: None

Item #S4 - Discussion and take action regarding the Town's value proposition (the fundamental way in which the Town chooses to deliver value to its customers).

Council Member Resnik made a motion to continue to operate the Town based on a "Best Product" overall value proposition, that allows the City Manager to bring projects and departments to Council for consideration that fit into either the Total Cost or Total Solution category, and fund them accordingly.

During discussion of Council Member Resnik's motion, Council Member Moore made an alternative motion to Table the item for further discussion. This motion was seconded by Mayor Meier. The call to vote on the motion to Table the item was made and the motion to Table failed.

Subsequently, the Council voted on Council Member Resnik's motion to continue operating the Town based on a "Best Product" overall value proposition, that allows the City Manager to bring projects and departments to Council for consideration that fit into either the Total Cost or Total Solution category, and fund them accordingly, and the motion passed.

A motion to Approve was made by Council Member Neil Resnik.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Bruce Arfsten.

The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Resnik

Voting Nay: Clemens, Meier, Moore

Item #S5 - Discussion and take action regarding the transfer of funds from the Hotel Fund to the General Fund, to be included in the Town's proposed annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014, to reimburse the General Fund for

an advance made to the Hotel Fund to pay for a new HVAC unit at the Addison Conference Centre.

A motion was made by Council Member Clemens to have the Hotel Fund pay back the remaining balance on the loan in its entirety from the General Fund to pay for the HVAC system. The motion was seconded by Council Member Moore.

During discussion of the first motion, an alternative motion was made by Council Member Resnik to pay half the remaining balance in Fiscal Year 2014, provided the Hotel Fund could afford the payment without going below 25% Fund Balance, and the other half be repaid to the General Fund in Fiscal Year 2015. The motion was seconded by Council Member Arfsten.

After discussion, a vote was taken on the first motion to pay back the remaining balance: it failed. A vote was then taken on the alternative motion to pay half the remaining balance in the FY14 and other half in the FY15 year, provided it did not put fund balance below 25%. The motion passed.

A motion to Approve w/ Conditions was made by Council Member Neil Resnik.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Bruce Arfsten.

The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Meier, Resnik

Voting Nay: Clemens, Moore

Item #S6 - Discussion and take action regarding economic development funding (the Economic Development Fund) to be included in the Town's proposed annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014.

Orlando Campos, Director of Economic Development, and Ben Magill, Manager of Economic Development, each spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Mayor Meier not to authorize additional tax dollars toward the new proposed collaborations with the Accelerated Ventures program and lease space as proposed in the Economic Development Department's Fiscal Year 2014 budget, but rather to authorize the Department and City Manager to further negotiations toward a Memorandum of Understanding that reduces taxpayer contribution to the program and related lease space and allows for the Council to approve a final proposal once negotiations are complete.

A motion to Approve w/ Conditions was made by Mayor Todd Meier. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neil Resnik.

The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, Clemens, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Meier, Moore, Resnik

Voting Nay: None

Item #S7 - Discussion and take action regarding employee compensation funding to be included in the Town's proposed annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014.

A motion was made by Council Member Moore to approve a pool of money rather than a percentage for merit increases for Town employees. The motion was seconded by Council Member Clemens.

During discussion of the first motion for a pool of money rather than a percentage, an alternative motion was made by Council Member Resnik to accept the City Manager's proposed 6% pool of money to allow for merit, pay-for-performance raises as the City Manager deems necessary throughout all departments. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gunther.

Following Council Member Resnik's motion to approve a 6% pool of money for pay-for-performance raises, an alternative motion was

made by Council Member Clemens to approve a pool of money in the amount of \$450,000 for merit increases for employees. The motion was seconded by Council Member Moore.

Mayor Meier called a vote on the motion to approve a pool of funding for merit increases rather than a percentage to be included in the budget. The motion passed.

Mayor Meier then called a vote on the motion to approve a pool of money for merit increases to be in the amount of \$450,000.

Following Mayor Meier's call to vote on the motion made for a pool of \$450,000, Council Member Resnik amended his motion that the 6% represents a pool of \$891,000. Council Member Gunther endorsed the amended motion.

Discussion followed regarding the motion made to approve a pool of money in the amount of \$450,000. A vote was taken on this motion and the motion failed.

After the motion for a pool of \$450,000 failed, a motion was made by Council Member Moore to approve an amount of \$500,000 for a pool of money for employee compensation. The motion was seconded by Council Member Clemens.

Following the motion made for a pool of \$500,000, Council Member Resnik called the question on his amendment to his motion that the City Manager's proposed 6% is from a pool of money in the amount of \$891,000. The motion passed.

The motion for a pool of \$500,000 never went to a vote.

A motion to Approve was made by Council Member Neil Resnik. The motion was seconded by Council Member Margie Gunther. The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Resnik
Voting Nay: Clemens, Meier, Moore

Item #S8 - Discussion and take action regarding expenditure amounts to be included in the Town's proposed annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014 for all Town Funds, including the General Fund, Hotel Fund, Economic Development Fund, Airport Fund, Utility Fund, Stormwater Fund, Debt Service Fund(s), and all other Town Funds.

A motion was made by Council Member Resnik to Table this item and take no action until the September 10th Agenda meeting.

A motion to Defer was made by Council Member Neil Resnik.
The motion was seconded by Council Member Janelle Moore.
The motion result was: Passed

Voting Aye: Arfsten, Clemens, DeFrancisco, Gunther, Meier, Moore, Resnik
Voting Nay: None

Item #S9 - The Council may reconvene into its Work Session and continue at any time with its discussion of Item #WS1 and Item #WS2.

The Council did not reconvene the Work Session and adjourned.

There was no action taken.

Mayor-Todd Meier

Attest:

City Secretary-Chris Terry