

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 30, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ray Schultz
Mayor Pro tem Sherrie Williams
Councilwoman Lori Shierry
Councilmen Keith Dyer, Tim Sheppard and Brad Wynn

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager
Robert Johnson, Chief of Police
David Sherrill, Public Works Director
Raymond Thompson, Wastewater Plant Operator
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Dolores Hamilton Tressa Boyd
Jason Sherrill Ken Sims

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation.

The City Manager gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Executive Session.

- A. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the Purpose of Deliberating the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property.

The Council convened in executive session at 6:02 p.m.

The Council reconvened in open session at 6:20 p.m.

- (i) Action as a Result of Executive Session.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilman Dyer authorizing the City Manager and Economic Development Director to negotiate the purchase of property for park expansion. Motion carried with five ayes. (Unanimous)

- B. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the Purpose of Deliberating the

Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties,
Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee.

The Council entered into executive session at 6:21 p.m.

The Council reconvened in open session at 8:55 p.m.

(i) Action as a Result of Executive Session.

The Mayor announced there would be no action taken. He then made the following statement:

“The City of Iowa Park, the six of us up here, this is like our family. We need to take care of our family, take care of our employees, take care of our citizens. When citizens come and complain there are steps that need to be taken. We would hope that we have subordinate supervisors and department heads that would take care of things before it gets to us. I think we do. I think there are a few people out there that try to undermine things that we do, that the City Manager does, and the department heads. With that being said, I think the six of us have the utmost trust and we have the faith in our employees to do what is right. There is no reason for us to think that there is anything that’s going to happen where we need to be out there constantly observing everybody work, doing their jobs, or anybody should be in fear of their jobs because we may happen to stop to check on them.”

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of January, 2017.

Mayor Ray Schultz

ATTEST:

City Secretary Janice Newman