

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016
6:30 P.M.**

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Luis Lamas presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Luis Lamas and Council Members Ben Tucker, Bill Underbrink, Oscar Adame, Dennis Knippa, Steve Diehl, and John Schack. Staff present: Acting City Manager Florencio Pena, Finance Director Paul Baen, and City Secretary Kimberly Sampson. There were approximately 10 guests.

2. Roll Call

3. Presentation by Staff of the 2016-17 Annual Budget (Operating and Capital) reflecting City Council direction at budget workshops and further consideration and actions with regards to the proposed 2016-17 Annual Budget.

Acting City Manager Florencio Pena provided an overview of the updates to the information provided.

Council Member Diehl reiterated that depreciation is not accounted for in the budget and that a utility rate analysis is needed to show what funds are necessary for the Utility Fund to account for depreciation.

Council Member Tucker questioned the decrease in demolition line item by \$10,000 in the building inspections department and Mr. Pena explained that was staff reviewed the prior year experiences and believe we could still demolish what was needed with the amount budgeted.

4. Second Public Hearing regarding the proposed Budget, the proposed Tax Rate, and the proposed Tax Revenue for FY 2016/2017.

Mayor Lamas opened the Second Public Hearing at 6:39 p.m.

There were no speakers for or against the proposed budget.

Mayor Lamas closed the Second Public Hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Mayor Lamas recessed the regular meeting in order to go into Closed Executive Session for agenda items # 5 and 6 below at 6:43 p.m.

Mayor Lamas closed the Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:49 p.m.

5. Consideration and action regarding the replacement of retiring Municipal Court Judge Cheryl Deal to be effective December 31, 2016. The City Council may meet in Closed Executive Session in accordance with The Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to confer regarding these matters, including interview of possible candidate(s), discussion of job description and wage range, and other items related to the replacement process.

Council Member Schack made a motion to appoint Valarie Glover as the Municipal Court Judge to be effective January 1, 2017 at a salary of \$47,500; and was seconded by Council Member Diehl.

Mayor Lamas stated his vote to abstain is not personal towards anyone other than the process taken.

The motion was approved with Council Members Tucker, Underbrink, Adame, Knippa, Diehl, and Schack voting aye; and Mayor Lamas voting to abstain.

6. **Consideration and action regarding the hiring of a search firm to assist in the pursuit for a permanent City Manager. The City Council may meet in closed executive session in accordance with The Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consult with the Attorney) to confer regarding these matters.**

Council Member Adame made a motion to hire Waters and Company to assist in the pursuit for a permanent City Manager; and was seconded by Council Member Knippa.

Council Member Underbrink stated he prefers either Chris Hartung or SGR, but Waters and Company was not his top choice.

Council Member Diehl was worried about the base fee plus expenses and asked if we could set a maximum of those expenses. He also asked how the community could be involved in the process.

Council Member Knippa stated he preferred SGR since former City Manager Mike Tanner is a part of their staff and he knows our area well.

Council Member Adame withdrew his motion to hire Waters and Company.

Council Member Adame made a motion to hire Chris Hartung Consulting with a maximum of \$25,000 to include base fee and expenditures; and was seconded by Council Member Diehl

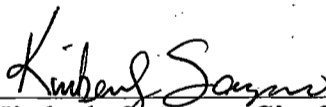
Mr. Pena stated he would negotiate that with Chris Hartung and invite him to attend next week's Council Meeting to present his contract.

Council Member Adame amended his motion to specify this does not include the expenses related to candidate travel for interview purposes; and was seconded by Council Member Diehl. The motion was approved with Mayor Lamas and Council Members Tucker, Underbrink, Adame, Diehl and Schack voting aye; and Council Member Knippa voting no.

7. **Adjourn**

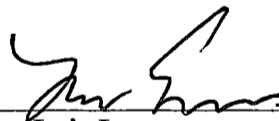
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

ATTEST:



 Kimberly Sampson, City Secretary

APPROVED:



 Mayor Luis Lamas