

The City of Hilshire Village

TUESDAY, September 25, 2012
PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M.

1. CALL PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER: Mayor Whiting called the City of Hilshire Village Public Hearing to order at 6:31 P.M. at 8301 Westview, Houston, Texas 77055.

Mayor Whiting asked for any comments from the audience. She noted there was only one (1) resident present and he did not have any questions at this time.

2. CALL THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Whiting called the City of Hilshire Village Special Council Meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. at 8301 Westview, Houston, Texas 77055.

2.1. Roll Call: Present were Mayor Shannon Whiting, Mayor Pro Tem Stephanie Post and Council Members Connie Castro, Edward Davis, Bill Bristow and David Gunn. Also, present were Susan Blevins, City Secretary and City Attorney, Donna Johnson, Olson and Olson.

3. DISCUSSION:

3.1 FYE 2013 Budget and 2012 Tax Rates: Mayor Whiting went over the Budget one more time. She discussed the Police Department budget number and the reasons for the increase. Mayor Pro Tem Post stated she wanted to make sure everyone understood that the City was putting Bridle Spur into the budget; but, funds will have to come from a future funding source and not the Utility Fund.

4. ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 Council Member Davis made a motion to authorize payment of Triple B Services, L.L.P. Pay Application No. 2 for work related to the Pine Chase & Glourie Paving, Drainage & Utilities Improvements Project in the amount of \$74,418.41 to be paid by the City of Hilshire Village, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the motion authorizing payment of Triple B Services, L.L.P. Pay Application No. 2 for work related to the Pine Chase & Glourie Paving, Drainage & Utilities Improvements Project in the amount of \$74,418.41 to be paid by the City of Hilshire Village. The vote passed unanimously.

4.2 Council Member Davis made a motion to authorize payment of Triple B Services, L.L.P. Pay Application No. 2 for work related to the Pine Chase & Glourie Paving, Drainage & Utilities Improvements Project in the amount of \$223,255.25 to be paid by the City of Hilshire Village and then reimbursed by the Texas Department of Public Safety, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post.

A vote was taken to approve the motion authorizing payment of Triple B Services, L.L.P. Pay Application No. 2 for work related to the Pine Chase & Glourie Paving, Drainage & Utilities Improvements Project in the amount of \$223,255.25 to be paid by the City of Hilshire Village and then reimbursed by the Texas Department of Public Safety. The vote passed 4-1. Mayor Pro Tem Post and Council Members Castro, Davis and Gunn voted for the motion. Council Member Bristow voted against the motion.

4.3 Council Member Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 678 adopting the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, General Budget for the FYE 2013 as amended. In accordance with Section 102.007© of the Local Government Code, adoption of this year's budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year; therefore, the City must, by separate vote of the City, ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget, which shall be \$51,809.00 or 6.70% and of that amount \$11,331.37 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the motion approving Ordinance Number 678 adopting the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, General Budget for the FYE 2013 as amended. In accordance with Section 102.007© of the Local Government Code, adoption of this year's budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year; therefore, the City must, by separate vote of the City, ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget, which shall be \$51,809.00 or 6.70% and of that amount \$11,331.37 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. The vote passed 4-1. Mayor Pro Tem Post and Council Members Castro, Davis and Gunn voted for the motion. Council Member Bristow voted against the motion.

4.4 Council Member Davis made a motion to approve a component of the tax rate in the amount of \$0.485239/100 for the purpose of funding the maintenance and operation expenditures of the City for the FYE 2013, which such tax rate will effectively be raised by 8% from last year's tax rate and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$9.82, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the motion approving a component of the tax rate in the amount of \$0.485239/100 for the purpose of funding the maintenance and operation expenditures of the City for the FYE 2013, which such tax rate will effectively be raised by 8% from last year's tax rate and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$9.82. The

vote passed unanimously.

4.5 Council Member Gunn made a motion to approve a component of the tax rate in the amount of \$0.1202342/100 for the purpose of paying the accruing interest and to provide a sinking fund for payment of the indebtedness of the City for the next fiscal year, seconded by Council Member Castro. A vote was taken to approve the motion approving a component of the tax rate in the amount of \$0.1202342/100 for the purpose of paying the accruing interest and to provide a sinking fund for payment of the indebtedness of the City for the next fiscal year. The vote passed unanimously.

4.6 Council Member Davis made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.605581/100 which is effectively a 5.93 percent increase in the tax rate, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.605581/100 which is effectively a 5.93 percent increase in the tax rate. The vote passed unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Post and Council Members Castro, Davis, Bristow and Gunn voted for the motion.

4.7 Council Member Gunn made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 679, providing for the levy and collection of Ad Valorem taxes of the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, for the year 2012: providing for two components to the proposed tax rate, consisting of a tax rate of \$0.120342 on each one hundred dollars for the purpose of paying the accruing interest and to provide a sinking fund for payment of the indebtedness of the City and a tax rate of \$0.485239 on each one hundred dollars for the purpose of funding the maintenance and operation expenditures; this tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate, the tax rate will effectively be raised by 8 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$9.82 which shall be approved by a separate motion; providing for the date on which such taxes shall be due and payable; providing for penalty and interest on all taxes not timely paid; repealing all ordinance or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict herewith; and providing for severability, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the motion approving Ordinance Number 679, providing for the levy and collection of Ad Valorem taxes of the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, for the year 2012: providing for two components to the proposed tax rate, consisting of a tax rate of \$0.120342 on each one hundred dollars for the purpose of paying the accruing interest and to provide a sinking fund for payment of the indebtedness of the City, and a tax rate of \$0.485239 on each one hundred dollars for the purpose of funding the maintenance and operation expenditures; this tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate, the tax rate will effectively be raised by 8 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$9.82 which shall be approved by a separate motion; providing for the date on which such taxes shall be due and payable;

providing for penalty and interest on all taxes not timely paid; repealing all ordinance or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict herewith. The Vote Passed unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Post and Council Members Castro, Davis, Bristow and Gunn voted for the motion.

4.8 Council Member Davis made a motion to approve the City's Disbursements as presented, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Post. A vote was taken to approve the City's Disbursements as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS: Council Member Gunn stated the budget process was very tedious and it was distasteful to have to raise taxes but with no sales tax revenue and the issues with METRO it was a necessity. He stated the budget process was an eye opener for him.

Council Member Bristow wanted research done on the values of HCAD. He also wanted to see a Town Hall Meeting set for Crime Prevention.

The City Attorney was excused

Council discussed having policy meetings, committee meetings and infrastructure workshops.

Mayor Whiting reminding everyone that National Night Out was on October 9th.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Castro moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Davis. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Shannon Whiting, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Blevins, City Secretary