

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, WILL BE HELD IN THE BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE PROPOSED 1990-91 BUDGET.

1:00 p.m. July 16, 17, & 18, 1990

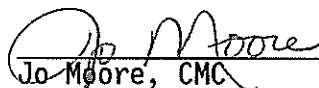
AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
2. Invocation.
3. Staff and City Council workshop on Budget and Tax Levy for the City of Abilene:
 - a. Staff Presentation
 - b. Review of General Fund
 - c. Review Water and Sewer Fund
 - d. Executive Session:
 1. Pending and Contemplated Litigation (See Notice for Executive Session, Litigation for listing subjects).
 2. Appointment and Evaluation of Public Officials (see Notice for Executive Session, Personnel for listing subjects).
4. Ordinances & Resolutions:
 - a. Consider on First Reading - Ordinance Approving Revised 1989-90 Budget and Proposed 1990-91 Budget and Resolution approving refuse rate schedules.
 - b. Consider on First Reading - Ordinance Setting Tax Levy.

ADJOURN

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 12th day of July, 1990, at 5:00 o'clock p.m.



Jo Moore, CMC
City Secretary

(Personnel)

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BUDGET WORK SESSION
JULY 16, 17, & 18, 1990

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,
BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

Day 1 -- July 16
1:00 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a budget work session on July 16, 17, and 18, 1990, in the Basement Conference Room of City Hall. Mayor Gary D. McCaleb was present and presiding with Councilman Paul R. Vasquez, Councilwoman Betty Ray, Councilmen Jack Grable, Bill Terry, Jimmy McNeil and Councilwoman Liz Herrera. Also present were City Manager Jim C. Blagg, Assistant City Manager Roy McDaniel, Director of Finance David M. Wright, Assistant Director of Finance Chris Taylor, City Secretary Jo Moore, Assistant to the City Manager Debra Guerra, and Director of Administrative Services Pam Collins.

The Council convened at 1:00 p.m. on July 16, 1990.

City Manager Jim Blagg introduced the session by stating an overview of the revised 89/90 budget and the proposed 1990-91 budget would be presented along with current proposed tax rates. He stated that the current base property tax values are below the 1982 tax base.

Mr. Blagg stated that over the past 6 years the population has stayed steady at approximately 108,000, but services have been reduced during this same time period, resulting in accumulative reduction in personnel (with approximately 55 fewer employees today than in 1985) while a demand for service has remained the same, if not increased. The City has taken a very responsible approach with less dollars to operate with.

Finance Director David Wright distributed tax roll information and stated that the roll has changed slightly since this information was compiled. Mr. Wright explained by category what is happening to the tax roll. It was noted that the cost of living index has risen by 15% in Dallas and 20% in the U.S.

At the City Council retreat, the Council outlined five major policy areas and issues for staff to address during FY 1990-91:

1. Public Safety
2. Economic Development
3. Code Enforcement
4. Flood Control
5. Capital Improvement Program

Although the basic budget can be funded with the same tax rate of 53.83 cents, Mr. Blagg stated as presented it does not accomplish many of the desired results in addressing the City Council priority issues.

Mr. Blagg stated he is recommending that the City Council adopt a 1990-91 budget that includes Group A through F High Priority needs as follows:

These needs, which are not in the proposed Basic Budget, total \$1,022,760 in additional cost and represent programs and projects which are essential if the City is going to begin addressing the issues identified by the City Council during the planning retreat. A tax rate of 58.616 will be required in order to fund these additional programs. This would be an increase of 4.786 cents above the current 53.83 cents, but only 1.386 cents or 2.42% above the effective tax rate of 57.23 cents.

David Wright reviewed for the Council the major revenue sources from the General Fund and gave an explanation of the effective tax rate and a comparison of property values from 1986 through July 12, 1990.

Assistant City Manager Roy McDaniel reviewed with the Council the City's two retirement plans. The firefighters plan, allowed by State law, which they chose to join is a defined benefits plan. The other plan through the Texas Municipal Retirement system is the defined contribution plan. Mr. McDaniel stated the City should move both plans to a reasonable retirement plan for all employees. Staff recommended adding 1% to the City's contribution rate for firefighters, which would bring the City's contribution rate to 10-1/2% and to increase the TMRS contribution rate to 6/%.

Mr. Blagg stated a highly liberal disability plan should not be contributed to by the City. Councilman McNeil stated he feels the City's contribution rate to the firefighters plan should be increased by 2%.

The Council began to review the line-item detail of the General Fund. Mr. Blagg clarified for the Council services provided under certain line items. Some issues discussed include:

- Planning & Development Services
- Professional Contractual Services
- Furniture/Equipment Maintenance
- Self Insurance
- Equipment Use Charges
- New full/part time employees
- St. System Maintenance

Following further discussion on budget line items, Mayor McCaleb reviewed with the Council the format for Tuesday's worksession.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

July 17, 1990

The Council convened at 1:00 p.m. The Council began their budget worksession by reviewing expenditures and budgeted items in the Police Department.

Upon completion of a review of line-item detail of the General Fund, Mayor McCaleb recessed the Council into executive session in accordance with State Law to evaluate and discuss individual salaries of public officers and employees as permitted by Section 2g of the Open Meetings Law.

The Council reconvened from Executive Session and reported no action taken in Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

July 18, 1990

The Council convened at 1:00 p.m. Council continued budget worksessions with each addressing issues they felt were important.

Mayor McCaleb stated that having listened to the Council's input for two days, he felt that following a short recess giving him time to verify figures with the finance director; he would be prepared to present a budget recommendation that will reflect the Council's priorities.

Following a 10-minute break, Mayor McCaleb stated that of the High Priority Needs recommended by the City Manager, Groups A, B, & C seem to be the City Council's top priorities.

Councilman McNeil reiterated his recommendation to increase the City's contribution to the firefighters' fund by 2%.

The total of the High Priority needs Groups A, B, & C plus the recommended increase to the firefighters' fund (from 1% to 2%, for an additional \$32,250) would be an additional \$536,040 to the basic budget. Mayor McCaleb recommended the following:

\$536,040	A, B, C & 32,250 - High Priority needs
<u>-150,710</u>	Library consortium automated system (move to revised 89/90
385,330	budget

The three additional patrol officers would not need twelve month funding and could save \$40,000 in fiscal year 90/91 with January 1, 1991 as the beginning funding date).

\$385,330	(Fire & Police Employees start 1/1/91)
<u>- 40,000</u>	
345,330	
<u>- 90,000</u>	Reduce out of basic budget salaries pool, including reducing
255,330	overtime, etc.; salary savings
<u>- 50,000</u>	Supplies account
205,330	
<u>- 60,000</u>	Maintenance account
145,330	
<u>- 57,000</u>	Equipment replacements
88,330	
<u>- 45,000</u>	Library improvements
43,330	
<u>- 18,000</u>	Travel accounts
25,330	
<u>- 10,000</u>	Tax appraisal collection fee
15,330	
<u>- 15,000</u>	Watering expenses
330	

The Mayor and Council commented on the confidence the citizens had placed in them and the citizens' expectation of no tax increase this year due to the successful 1/2% Sales Tax election.

With the proposed recommendations, the tax rate would remain at the current 53.83 cents.

Councilman McNeil moved to approve on first reading the revised 1989-90 budget as amended, the proposed budget for FY 1990-91 as amended; call a public hearing for August 23, 1990 at 9:00 a.m. on the Budget Ordinance, and to approve on first reading the tax levy ordinance, and calling a public hearing for August 23, 1990 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilman Vasquez, Councilwoman Ray, Councilmen Grable, Terry, McNeil, Councilwoman Herrera, and Mayor McCaleb.
NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING REVISED BUDGET FIGURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1989-1990; APPROVING AND ADOPTING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 1990, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1991, FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 1990, LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 1990; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION THEREOF; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Blagg explained the Resolution revising the Refuse Collection Rate Schedule to the Council. Councilman Terry moved to approve the Resolution revising the refuse collection rate schedule as recommended. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilman Vasquez, Councilwoman Ray, Councilmen Grable, Terry, McNeil, Councilwoman Herrera, and Mayor McCaleb.
NAYS: None.

The Resolution is numbered 27-1990 and is captioned as follows:

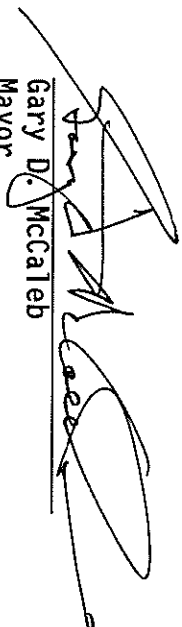
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, REVISING THE REFUSE COLLECTION RATE SCHEDULE.

Mr. Blagg thanked the Council and staff for their work on the budget, and stated by adopting the current tax rate the Council has reduced property taxes.

Mayor McCaleb and the Council expressed their appreciation to the staff. Mayor McCaleb stated he is pleased to serve on a Council that has a real sense of citizenship and that the Council has not reduced the quality of staff or service with the adoption of this budget.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.


Jo Magrre
City Secretary


Gary D. McCaleb
Mayor

Pre-Council Work Session of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, to be held in the Basement Conference Room of City Hall on Thursday, July 26, 1990 at 8:30 a.m. to consider the following:

1. Discuss Consent and/or Regular Agenda Items.

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, to be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on Thursday, July 26, 1990, at 9:00 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL: Mayor Gary D. McCaleb; Council - Paul R. Vasquez, Betty Ray, Jack Grable, Bill Terry, Jimmy McNeil and Liz Herrera.

1. Call to Order.
2. **INVOCATION:** Councilwoman Betty Ray.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Pre-Council Session and Regular City Council Meeting held July 12, 1990.
4. **Proclamations**
5. **Recognition**
Phase II Employee Wellness Walking Program

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Council Member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence.

6. **Ordinances and Resolutions:**
 - a. Consider on first reading - An Ordinance amending Chapter 18, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Section 18-299 of the Abilene Municipal Code.
 - b. Resolution authorizing execution of agreements and other documents relative to the reconstructing of FM 1750 from State Highway 36 to Loop 322.
 - c. Oral Resolution authorizing the cancellation of contract for management of unemployment compensation claims.
 - d. Resolution authorizing participation in the "Urban Main Street" program.
7. **Award of Bid:**
 - a. Playground equipment, Bid #CB073.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. **Ordinances and Resolutions:**
- a. **Public Hearing:** Consider on second and final reading - an Ordinance changing zoning district boundaries - Z-01290 - Request from First National Bank/Richard Williamson, agent Jack Chamberlain to rezone from GC (General Commercial) to HC (Heavy Commercial) district located on Tracy Lynn Drive.
 - b. **Public Hearing:** Consider on second and final reading - an Ordinance changing zoning district boundaries - Z-01490 (Ord. 1159) - Request from Buddy Malone to amend a PDR (Planned Development Residential) district located at #36 Lytle Place.
 - c. **Public Hearing:** Consider on second and final reading - an Ordinance changing zoning district boundaries - Z-01590 - Request from Primitive Baptist Church, agent David Todd, to rezone from AO (Agricultural Open Space) to RM-3 (Residential Multi-Family) district located at 3565 Hickory.
 - d. **Public Hearing:** Consider on second and final reading - an Ordinance for thoroughfare abandonment - TC-01390 - Request from Ramsey Leasing, Inc., agent Eddie Chase for thoroughfare abandonment located in the 100 block of East I-20.
 - e. **Public Hearing:** Consider on second and final reading - an Ordinance amending Section 23-306.4, Permitted Uses and Section 23-306.5, Conditional Uses, of the Zoning Ordinance by adding "Correctional, Detention, or Penal Facilities" to be allowed with a Special Exception and under certain conditions within the AO (Agricultural Open Space) district.
 - f. **Remove from Table:**
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 - g. **Remove from Table:**
Public Hearing concerning Western Medi-Trans application for ambulance service license of public convenience and necessity.
9. **Other Business:**
- a. Pending and Contemplated Litigation (see notice for Executive Session, Litigation for listing subjects), possible action.
 - b. Appointment and Evaluation of Public Officials (see Notice for Executive Session, Personnel for listing subjects), possible action.
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