

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL AT 555 WALNUT, ON TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1993, AT 3:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, the District Attorney has presented a report to the Mayor and City Council on the City's purchase of land for a library site and Civic Center parking; and

IT IS THEREFORE necessary for the City Council pursuant to its City Charter power in Section 12 to investigate and review the official conduct of officers and employees involved in the City's land purchase.

1. Call to Order
2. 2G. Personnel (Executive Session)

The City Council may consider the evaluation, performance, review, appointment, employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager and public officials involved in the library land purchase.

After the discussion in executive session, any final vote or action will be in public.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1993, at \_\_\_\_\_ .m.

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, June 22, 1993

3:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met for a Special Council Meeting on June 22, 1993 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall to consider the evaluation, performance, review, appointment, employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager and public officials involved in the library land purchase. Mayor Gary D. McCaleb was present and presiding with Councilman Paul R. Vasquez, Councilwoman Betty Ray, Councilmen Jimmy McNeil, Russell Berry, Ray Ferguson, and Councilwoman Liz Herrera. Also present were City Attorney Harvey Cargill and City Secretary Jo Moore.

Mayor McCaleb recessed the Council into executive session pursuant to Section 2g of the Open Meetings Act.

The Council reconvened from executive session. Mayor McCaleb read the following statement on behalf of all the Council:

"No votes or action was taken in executive session. However, I would like to make a brief summary statement.

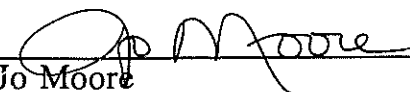
The Council is aware that the grand jury has already dealt with this matter and found no criminal wrongdoing. That investigation, from the beginning, was supported and encouraged by the Council. We believe that process was conducted in a thorough and professional way and accept those conclusions.

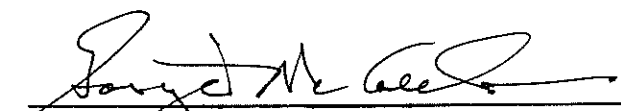
All members of the Council have been provided with a complete set of materials from the District Attorney's office. These hundreds of pages of material have been thoroughly reviewed by each member and have been carefully discussed in three meetings of some eight hours. The members of the Council have not taken this matter lightly. They have asked hard and penetrating questions. In my eight years on the Council there has been no item which has been treated with greater sensitivity, seriousness, and awareness of public trust.

Following this review the Council has found that there was no intentional or willful act of irresponsibility and there was no violation either morally or ethically on the part of the City Manager or any other City employee.

Action is being taken to reinforce with all City employees the importance of exercising careful and responsible judgement when acting in the public trust; further, annual employee performance evaluations will continue to be conducted, and thirdly, policy pertinent to this area will be refined."

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

  
Jo Moore  
City Secretary

  
Gary D. McCaleb  
Mayor

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