

MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING

Bastrop City Council March 29, 2016 6:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council of Bastrop, Texas held a Special Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas considered the following matters:

1. Call to Order – Mayor Kesselus called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM
2. At 6:02 PM Mayor Kesselus recessed the special meeting and convened into a Workshop Session and the following agenda items were discussed.
 - A. Discussion regarding a review of current “Capital Projects and “Future Capital Projects”, sources of funding for “Future Capital Projects, the impact that future projects will have on future budgets, tax rates, rates or fees accessed or charged by the City of Bastrop associated with “Future Capital Projects” and the types of Capital Projects that might be considered for a General Bond Election.

City Manager Talbot informed the Council that a follow-up meeting will need to be held in three-four weeks. Mayor Kesselus asked what kind of numbers are we talking about on the bonds being issued and CM Talbot informed Council \$5,000,000.00 - \$10,000,000.00 was a number he felt comfortable with. CM Talbot informed the Council that the DMO workshop will be held next Tuesday 4-5-16 at 6:00 PM at City Hall facilitated by Katherine Ray of Ray Associates, Inc. CM Talbot gave a brief update on the SOAH Hearing. CM Talbot passed out a handout with the possible projected listed and costs listed. CM Talbot informed the Council that he looked forward to their input. CM Talbot handed out a breakdown of the various street projects, water-wastewater projects and Facilities Projects. CM Talbot went over the details of the handout. Discussion was held among the Council.

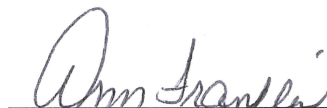
- B. Discussion regarding potential charter amendments to the City of Bastrop “City Charter”. Ms. Brown, City Attorney, gave an overview regarding an election to change the Charter. Ms. McAnally asked how often the Charter is to be reviewed. Ms. Brown stated that the current charter states the City Manager should review every five years and bring anything that he feels might need to be looked at to the Council. There was discussion held regarding the sell or rather no sell of City of Bastrop Water Utility or Bastrop Power & Light. Mayor Kesselus asked if there needed to be a charter review committee or can Council take on this responsibility on its own. The Council did not seem interested in using a committee. Mr. Talbot stated that he would review the Charter and get back with the Council if there are additional items that need to be addressed. He also informed Council that if they were to use a committee, due to the lengthy process of getting it up and running that Council may be looking at May 2017 to have an election. Ms. Gilleland brought up the subject of adding an charter amendment that would prohibit Council members who sit on a City Board from voting and should be classified as an ex officio member. Mr. Talbot suggested that the Council have a public hearing in April, for the public can have input. There was some discussion regarding the Shelter Building.

3. The Bastrop City Council will adjourn the Workshop Session and reconvene into the special meeting to Take any necessary action(s).
4. At 7:26 PM, Mr. DeLaRosa made the motion to adjourn the special meeting, seconded by Mr. Shciff and approved unanimously.

APPROVED:



KEN KESSELUS, MAYOR



ANN FRANKLIN, CITY SECRETARY