

Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council - Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Funds Policy and Allocation Sub-Committee

Thursday, March 9, 2023	3:30 PM	City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Short called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Staff present: Deputy City Manager Troy Lestina, Director of Communications and Outreach Bernadette McCranie, Assistant Director of Budget and Purchasing Jennifer Goldthwaite, Assistant Director of Finance Bryan Rebel, Cultural Art Supervisor Rosalie Gilbert, Media and Production Specialist Matt Reid, City Secretary Susana Marin, Assistant City Secretary Keera Seiger

Present 3 - Julie Short; Casey Lewis and Michael Evans

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Reappropriation of The LOT Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Funds

Deputy City Manager Troy Lestina spoke on the operations of the Historic Mansfield Performance Park (The LOT) having been taken over by the City and that the designated Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Funds originally allocated for The LOT are needing to be reappropriated. Cultural Arts Supervisor Rosalie Gilbert gave a presentation on staff's proposal of reappropriating the allocated funds to the city to be used for special events at The LOT. The events would include Arts Week, Music Alley, and various options for summer and fall events. Rosalie spoke on the repairs to The LOT that the city has already completed, the costs for the events, and answered questions. The sub-committee gave direction to staff to move forward with bringing an agenda item to the City Council for reappropriating The LOT funds to the city.

Discussion Regarding House Bill 2682

Troy Lestina explained House Bill 2682, which relates to the authority of certain municipalities to receive certain tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project and to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to the project, and addresses Mansfield specifically. Troy also spoke on discussions with the Texas Comptroller on finances and that staff is working with organizations on potential developments.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Short adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

_____ Julie Short, Chair ATTEST:

_____ Susana Marin, City Secretary