



CITY OF MANSFIELD

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Thursday, September 29, 2022

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

JOINT WORK SESSION BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL AND MANSFIELD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, MANSFIELD PARK FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

6:00 P.M. - CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Absent 1 - Casey Lewis

Present 6 - Larry Broseh; Julie Short; Mike Leyman; Todd Tonore; Michael Evans and
Tamera Bounds

INVOCATION

Council Member Larry Broseh gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Bounds led the Pledge of Allegiance.

TEXAS PLEDGE

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State Under God; One
and Indivisible"

Council Member Short led the Texas Pledge.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

*Daniel J. Bennett - 408 Pemberton, White Settlement, TX - Mr. Bennett spoke about
the Tarrant Appraisal District Board and how they conduct their meetings.*

STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Report or Authorized Representative

There were no comments from staff.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

Review of City Council Vision for the City

Mayor Evans made opening remarks and expressed appreciation to board members on behalf of the Council for their service. He spoke about the importance of each board working together as one.

City Manager Joe Smolinski introduced the City Council, Management Team and each Board Liaison. Director of Planning Jason Alexander introduced the members of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Executive Director of Economic Development Jason Moore introduced the members of the Mansfield Economic Development Corporation. Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Amanda Alms introduced the members of the Mansfield Park Facilities Development Corporation.

Joe touched on the role of each board, the focus, and the rules associated with the boards. He asked that each member of Council express their vision for the city. Mayor Pro Tem Tonore spoke about how important the decisions that are being made now will affect the future. He talked about the housing priorities of the city and the type of development the Council is looking into for the future residents of Mansfield. Council Member Bounds spoke about how each board is an extension of the Council and touched on the sustainability of the city. Council Member Short spoke about doing what's best for the city as a whole and the importance of looking at the big picture. She thanked board members and expressed the importance of not making decisions based on reappointment to the board. Council Member Leyman thanked board members for their service. He stated that everyone is on the same team and everyone brings a different perspective to the table. He encouraged board members to make decisions based on what's best for the majority of the residents and stressed on how important tax reduction is for the Council. Council Member Broseh spoke about the developments with walkable neighborhoods the Council has toured and touched on how much the city is changing.

Joe spoke about the variety of projects each board may consider and make decisions on. He discussed the importance of the decisions made by each board and how those decisions impact the other boards. He briefly touched on the importance of board members receiving training that aligns with their particular board.

Board members expressed their appreciation to the Council for meeting with them to express their vision. There was discussion regarding what Mansfield is missing that the cities surrounding Mansfield have. There was discussion on how to bring graduating Mansfield Independent School District students back to Mansfield after they graduate college.

ADJOURN

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

ATTEST: Michael Evans, Mayor

Susana Marin, City Secretary