

CITY OF MANSFIELD

Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Thursday, February 25, 2021	3:30 PM	Tanglewood Hotel & Conference Center
		290 Tanglewood Circle, Pottsboro TX 75076

The Mansfield City Council will be holding a Council Retreat/Workshop on February 25, 2021 beginning at 3:30 p.m. to February 27, 2021 ending at 2:00 p.m. at Tanglewood Hotel & Conference Center

This is a retreat/workshop only meeting; the Council will make no final decisions on any matter during the course of this retreat/workshop. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Council's long range vision, goals and objectives for the City of Mansfield.

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Discussion of Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Mayor Evans called the workshop to order at 3:40 p.m.

City Manager Joe Smolinski made brief opening remarks and introduced the meeting facilitator Randy Pennington. Mr. Pennington spoke about his career and touched on the purpose of the workshop and what the expected outcome would be.

Urban 3 representative Joe Minicozzi gave a presentation regarding land use within the city.

Joe Smolinski and Deputy City Manager Shelly Lanners discussed the make up of the organization, the city's accomplishments, issues, challenges and opportunities.

Randy Pennington went over a questionnaire analysis he provided to the Council before the workshop.

Mayor Evans adjourned for the day at 7:51 p.m.

Friday, February 26, 2021

Discussion of Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Mayor Evans called the workshop to order at 7:56 a.m.

Mansfield Independent School District Communications and Marketing Team Donald Williams and Danyell Wells gave a presentation on Equity and Inclusion.

City Secretary Susana Marin, Executive Assistant Sara Bench and Assistant to the City Manager Bernadette McCranie discussed the Boards and Commissions process, demographics of boards, and Boards and Commissions on-boarding process and continuing education.

Assistant to the City Manager Nicolette Allen discussed the Downtown Development Strategies.

Director of Community Services Matt Young touched on the future of the Parks and Recreation Department, the Mansfield Public Library, and the Historical Museum.

Interim Managing Director of Infrastructure and Utilities Bart VanAmburgh discussed transportation and environmental challenges, actions, and opportunities. Director of Water Utilities Jeff Price touched on the regional water supply, peak demands, and the future of wholesale water opportunities.

Fire Chief Mike Ross discussed the Fire Department staffing models, issues and challenges for the Fire Department, fire response districts, and the needs of the Fire Department.

Police Chief Tracy Aaron discussed the structure and demographics of the Police Department. He touched on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the department; recruiting and training; response times; and Animal Control and Care.

Director of Economic Development Richard Nevins discussed business recruitment, business retention, strategic initiatives, and the future of economic development in the city.

Director of Community Engagement Theresa Cohagen discussed the future of community engagement and special events. Cultural Arts Supervisor Rosalie Gilbert spoke about the cultural impact in Mansfield and a cultural district designation. Theresa touched on the evolution of communication in the city.

Interim Managing Director of Planning and Development Services Matt Jones spoke about comprehensive planning and development. He discussed the land use plan and zoning ordinance. Matt touched on the current land inventory, future growth, comprehensive plan components, and strategic plan management.

Mayor Evans adjourned for the day at 6:56 p.m.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Evans recessed into executive session at 10:39 a.m. Mayor Evans called the executive session to order at 10:39 a.m. Mayor Evans adjourned executive session at 11:00 a.m.

Pending or Contemplated Litigation or to Seek the Advice of the City Attorney Pursuant to Section 551.071

Discussion Regarding Possible Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property Pursuant to Section 551.072

Personnel Matters Pursuant to Section 551.074

Deliberation Regarding Commercial or Financial Information Received From or the Offer of a Financial or Other Incentive Made to a Business Prospect Seeking to Locate, Stay or Expand in or Near the Territory of the City and with which the City is Conducting Economic Development Negotiations Pursuant to Section 551.087

Saturday, February 27, 2021

Discussion of Vision, Goals, and Objectives

Mayor Evans called the workshop to order at 8:00 a.m.

Director of Finance Troy Lestina discussed the strategic plan assumptions and expenditures. He touched on key dates for the upcoming budget cycle.

Council and staff discussed extensively the Mission and Vision Statements for the City. There was discussion regarding setting priorities and the progress of the city.

Discussion was held regarding establishing strategic initiatives.

ADJOURN

Mayor Evans adjourned the workshop at 2:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

_ Michael Evans, Mayor

_ Susana Marin, City Secretary