

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING BUDGET WORKSHOP

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 @ 5:30PM

Airport Board Room, 700 Vandenberg Road Hondo, Texas

Meeting started @ 5:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor John McAnelly Jr., Councilman Williams, Council Woman Ramirez

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Jose "Porky" Ytuarte, Councilman Bobby Vela, Councilman John E. Villa

Staff: City Manager John Naron, City Secretary Rebekah Dolphus, Director of Aviation Ryan Elder

1. Discuss Council priorities for FY 2024/2025 Budget.

- **Mr. Naron spoke with Councilman Ytuarte and he would like a Splash Pad at Sunset Park**

- **Mayor McAnelly**

- Plans for additional routes from Industrial Area to east side of town
- South side frontage on 90 to look as nice as north side frontage on 90
- Plans for water reuse
- Get people downtown and off of 90(i.e. historical district, appealing businesses)
- Have a focal point on our Hispanic heritage
- Visible welcome center by train loading dock
- Tradeoffs with Union Pacific when they ask for things to be done (i.e. better crossings)
- Green belt between residential & industrial area (i.e. park or nature trail that goes from 462 behind woodlands and Coleman Oaks and 14th street cross between sunset and west of armory
- Require developments to include park land
- Dedicating funds if more than a 90 day balance available
- Central park & outdoor amphitheater in between court house & city hall block if street is closed
- Charter review commission
 - involve people outside city limits that have interest in the City
- Alamo lumber company building demolished where people see front street
- Re-start YAC program

- **Council Woman Ramirez**

- Streets
 - Councilman Williams recommends Master Plan
- Kids activities (i.e. bowling alley)
- Restrooms at soccer fields
- Do something with silos
- Soccer field lighting
- See about doing something with TXN Bank location (across Pepe's Pizza) for possible downtown parking
- Swings at parks

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- Electric infrastructure repair and replace plan for reliability
 - Inspections
- New police department

- John Naron

- Stop contracting things out and let employees do if they are capable (i.e. sprinklers)
- Pickle ball courts

- Ryan Elder

- Spoke about re-starting up Hondo U program

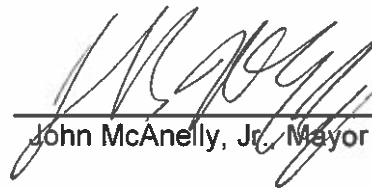
Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

ATTEST:



Rebekah Dolphus
City Secretary


John McAnelly, Jr., Mayor