



CITY OF FULSHEAR

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CITY COUNCIL:

MAYOR: Aaron Groff

MAYOR PRO-TEM: Kaye Kahlich

COUNCIL MEMBER: Kent Pool

COUNCIL MEMBER: Kevin White

COUNCIL MEMBER: Debra Cates

COUNCIL MEMBER: Lisa Martin

COUNCIL MEMBER: Joel
Patterson

COUNCIL MEMBER: John Kelly

STAFF:

CITY MANAGER: Jack Harper

CITY SECRETARY: Kimberly
Kopecky

CITY ATTORNEY: J. Grady Randle

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR GROFF AT THE IRENE STERN COMMUNITY CENTER, 6920 KATY FULSHEAR ROAD, FULSHEAR, TEXAS AT 5:30 P.M. A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

II. QUORUM AND ROLL CALL

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

*AARON GROFF
KAYE KAHLICH
JOEL PATTERSON
DEBRA CATES
KENT POOL
JOHN KELLY
KEVIN WHITE
LISA MARTIN*

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

KIMBERLY KOPECKY
BYRON BROWN
SHARON VALIANTE
JOHN DAVISON
ZACH GOODLANDER
CHARLES OBERRENDER
JACK HARPER

OTHERS PRESENT:

HAZEL SHAUGHNESSY
MELISSA BLANSCET
JOHN DOWDALL
MARY AGAHEE
AARON CORONIS
RONNIE AYMOND
BETTYE GRAYON
PAUL LOCK
AND 5 OTHERS THAT DID NOT SIGN IN.

III. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL RELATING TO AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS. SPEAKERS ARE ADVISED THAT COMMENTS CANNOT BE RECEIVED ON MATTERS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF A PUBLIC HEARING ONCE THE HEARING HAS BEEN CLOSED. SPEAKERS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER IN ADVANCE AND MUST LIMIT THEIR COMMENTS TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

HAZEL SHAUGHNESSY A RESIDENT OF WESTON LAKES SPOKE ABOUT THE CENTER POINT ISSUES HAPPENING IN THE SURROUNDING AREAS AND WANTS SOMETHING DONE ABOUT IT.

JOHN DOWDALL RESIDENT OF BOIS D'ARC SPOKE ABOUT SAVING THE SECTION HOUSE.

MARY AGAHEE SPOKE ON BEHALF OF PAM BOHILL REGARDING THE SECTION HOUSE.

JERONE NEWTON SPOKE FOR BETTY GRAYSON REGARDING THE POWER OUTAGES AND WOULD LIKE THE PROBLEMS ADDRESSED.

IV. BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF REGARDING THE VALUE, PURCHASE, SALE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OTHER TRANSFER OR CONVEYANCE, SECURING, REPAIR, REMOVAL, RELOCATION, DEMOLITION, REHABILITATION, ALTERNATIVE USE FOR, CONDITION OF, OR ANY OTHER**

ACTION OR MATTER AFFECTING THE SECTION HOUSE, A/K/A THE SWITCH HOUSE, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO EFFECT SAME

MAYOR GROFF OPENED THIS ITEM.

CHARLES OBERRENDER, THE PURCHASING MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF FULSHEAR, IS LOOKING FOR DIRECTION FROM COUNCIL ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH THIS PROJECT.

HE STATED THERE ARE THREE OPTIONS:

OPTION 1 - RENOVATE OR REBUILD

OPTION 2 - DEMOLISH

OPTION 3 - GIVEN TO ANOTHER ORGANIZATION AND MOVED OFF THE PROPERTY

HE INFORMED COUNCIL THAT IN ORDER FOR US TO DO ANYTHING FURTHER WE HAVE TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW ON A PROCUREMENT STAND POINT. WHEN DOING RENOVATION OR RECONSTRUCTION THE ENGINEER AND ARCHITECTS ACT BOTH BOUND US TO HIRE AN ARCHITECT WHICH WILL TYPICALLY COST 10% OF THE PROJECTS ESTIMATED COST.

MAYOR GROFF STATED OPTION 3 IS OFF THE TABLE AS OF TODAY SINCE WE DONT HAVE ANY INTERESTED PARTIES THAT HAVE EXPRESSED IMMEDIATE INTEREST.

COUNCIL MEMBER PATTERSON STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DECISION TONIGHT REGARDING THIS ITEM.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER CATES TO MOVE FOWARD TO DEMOLISH THE SECTION HOUSE AND SALVAGE THE VALUBLE ITEMS OR HISTORICAL ITEMS FROM IT PRIOR TO THAT. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER POOL.

COUNCIL MEMBER CATES WITHDREW HER MOTION TO MOVE FOWARD TO DEMOLISH THE SECTION HOUSE AND SALVAGE THE VALUBLE ITEMS OR HISTORICAL ITEMS FROM IT PRIOR TO THAT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER CATES TO DEMOLISH THE SECTION HOUSE SALVAGING ALL HISTORICAL ITEMS IF THE PLEDGES ARE NOT RECIEVED BY CLOSE OF DAY ON NOVEMBER 16TH.. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER POOL. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CATES, KAHLICH, KELLY, MARTIN, POOL
NAYS: PATTERSON, WHITE
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

B. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING CENTERPOINT ENERGY ELECTRICAL OUTAGES AND CENTERPOINTS ACTION PLANS FOR THE FULSHEAR AREA

AARON CORONIS EXPLAINED THAT CENTER POINT IS WORKING TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS IN FULSHEAR. HE STATED MOST OUTAGES ARE MOMENTARY, LESS THAN 1 MINUTE.

CENTER POINT ENERGY HAS DONE VISUAL INSPECTIONS AND STUDIES TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL ISSUES AND MAKE REPAIRS.

CENTER POINT ENERGY HAS TAKEN THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1. TRIMMED TREES/ REMOVED VINES
2. CHANGED CONFIGURATIONS TO THE GRID SWITCHING DEVICES TO OPTIMIZE THEIR OPERATIONS TO HELP LIMIT THE NUMER AND DURATION OF OUTAGES.
3. INSTALLED ADDITIONAL SENSORS TO MONITOR THEIR GRID IN THE AREA
4. ACCELERATED A CONSTRUCTION OF A CIRCUIT TIE TO IMPROVE THE SWITCHING CAPABILITIES IN THE EVENT OF OUTAGES.

MR. CORONIS ENCOURAGES CITIZENS TO SIGN UP FOR POWER ALERT SERVICES AND TO CALL HIM WITH QUESTIONS TO 281-391-5146.

RONNIE EHMAN ANSWERED QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL REGARDING THE INSTALLATIONS OF 2 SUBSTATIONS.

**** FOR FULL COMMENTARY PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE****

V. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR PRO-TEM KAHLICH TO ADJOURN. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CATES. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CATES, KAHLICH, KELLY, MARTIN, PATTERSON, POOL, WHITE

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

MAYOR GROFF ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:46 P.M.

AARON GROFF, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY KOPECKY, CITY SECRETARY