

HUMBLE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING

NOVEMBER 1, 2007 - 6:00 P.M.

HELD AT CITY HALL, 114 WEST HIGGINS, HUMBLE, TEXAS

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Donnie McMannes, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tempore Allen Lee
Councilman Merle Aaron
Councilman Andy Curry
City Manager Darrell Boeske
City Secretary Sue Daniel

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Assistant City Manager Mark Martin
Finance Director Dixie Kellum
Tax Assessor/Collector Cindy Gens

VISITORS PRESENT: Arliss Bentley
Lauren Hodges
Naomi Curry

The public hearing was called to order by Mayor Donnie McMannes at 6:00 p.m. with all members present except Councilmen Bill Conner and Allan Steagall.

Arliss Bentley asked to address the council on the issue of the proposed 2007 tax rate. Ms. Bentley asked the reason behind the tax rate increase to \$0.20. Mayor McMannes stated the rate was rounded up from \$0.19885. Ms. Bentley stated she was not in favor of any tax increase. She worried that her taxes would increase and she would pay more as the Harris County Appraisal District would keep increasing the value on her home as that entity does not usually decrease the values of Harris County properties. She questioned the increased maintenance and operations expenses over last year. It was explained that since the city paid off the General Obligation Bonds, the total amount of taxes would be deposited in the General Fund and used for maintenance and operations and it would not be such an increase next year. City Manager Darrell Boeske stated that the vote on the proposed tax rate would be held Thursday, November 15, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor McMannes closed the public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

D. G. McMannes

ATTEST:

Sue Daniel, City Secretary