CITY OF SANTA FE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2023 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS 12002 HWY. 6, SANTA FE, TEXAS

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pittman.

Roll Call:

Present:

Mayor Bill Pittman

Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Noto Councilmember Jason O'Brien

Councilmember Ronald "Bubba" Jannett

Councilmember John Dickerson Councilmember Dana Marks

Absent:

None

Business:

A. New Business:

1. Consideration and possible action: Approval of Just Compensation Statements for temporary drainage easements for the Avenue P Project

City Manager Alun Thomas explained the path of where the drainage pipes are going to go has been redesigned, which will also change the necessary easements. This item allows Council to review the proposed financial offers to property owners to determine if it believes the offers are just. The easements are just temporary during construction and upon completion of the project, the land will be restored to the way it was.

Motion by Councilmember Noto, seconded by Councilmember O'Brien, to approve the Compensation Statements as presented. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

2. Consideration and possible action: Proposed 2023 Galveston Central Appraisal District Budget line-item amendment

City Manager Alun Thomas explained that taxing entities that are members of the Galveston Central Appraisal District have 30 days to voice their opposition to the proposal or the amendment will go into effect. The letter from Galveston Central Appraisal District (GCAD) noted that it had in excess of a \$300,000 budget surplus that accrued in the 2023-year budget. GCAD would like taxing entities to weigh in on whether to take \$300,000 of that excess and move it for various technology and office-related purchases and upgrades. It is noted in the letter that unless a majority of the taxing units oppose the proposal, then the amendment will go into effect, and GCAD will spend the money on those proposed purchases. If the majority of the taxing entities oppose, then GCAD will refund the City of Santa Fe and the other taxing entities their portion of that \$300,000.

Motion by Councilmember Noto, seconded by Councilmember Marks, to reject the proposed 2023 Galveston Central Appraisal District Budget line-item amendment. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Noto to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

BILL PITTMAN, MAYOR

Natalie N. Arnett, City Secretary

ATTEST: