

PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2016/2017 BUDGET, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 5:30 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council met in special session on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for the second and final public hearing on the proposed budget for FY 2016/2017 with the following members present: Mayor Diaz, Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Lee and Gonzales; City Manager Squyres and City Secretary Raines. Council Member Garcia and City Attorney DeFoyd absent.

City Manager Squyres went over the budget advising that as stated at the last hearing the projected income for General Fund was \$12,080,107, with projected expenditures of \$11,395,383 leaving income less expenditures of \$199,324. He advise that the projected income for the Water and Sewer fund was \$2,531,321 with projected expenditures of \$2,523,640 leaving income less expenditures at \$7,681 and he also went over the Debt Service Fund.

He outlined expenditure for each General Fund Department and Water Fund Department and explained the increases and decreases as per the attached sheets.

City Manager Squyres went over the changes made in the Water Department budget and discussed the projected property taxes and anticipated income from the 1% increase in sales tax.

Mayor Diaz ask if there were any question on the budget and did not receive any questions

Mayor Diaz adjourned the budget hearing at 5:40 p.m.

COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016, 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session with the following members present: Mayor Diaz, Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Lee and Council Member Gonzales; City Manager Squyres and City

Secretary Raines. City Attorney DeFoyd absent and Council Member Garcia arrived after roll call.

A motion was made by Council Member Rivas and seconded by Council Member Lee to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: 4 For 0 Against

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Chief Ayala reminded everyone of National Night Out on October 4th and stated that to date we had seven parties scheduled and went over each address and advised that flyers were on the table if they would like to pick one up. He advised that he and Lt. Longrigg had a meeting scheduled next with Mr. McMann and Whittier Elementary concerning a mentoring program. He provided a flyer giving information about a door bell that you could install at your home and access and answer from your phone. He gave an update on the report that he had given the Council at the last meeting, stating that they had issued a total of 1138 citations for the month of August.

He reminded every one that Jennifer Simpson Castanada would be receiving the Star of Texas Award, presented by Governor Abbot in Austin on Monday, September 12th and this was the same award that Lt. Walker had received last year.

Fire Chief Mier advised that they were working with Jacinto City Elementary, Whittier Elementary and Jacinto City Preschool on Fire Prevention Month and she displayed a small fire fighter helmet which they would be presenting to all the preschool classes at the schools. She advised that the EMS and Fire Department were steady.

Kyle Reed, Public Works Director, advised that they had started paving on Market St . and should be completed by Saturday, that the brush, etc. in the ditch at Lane and Hart had been cleared and that the contractor had also taken out some bad trees and trimmed the trees

over by the gym. He advised that mosquitoes were bad and they were spraying every night and they have caught up on the mowing, that they worked Saturday to get all the parks cleaned up.

Ivan Rojas, Parks and Recreation Director stated he was sure everyone had notice that our shades were up at the ball fields, not to forget movie night on September 9th and that the Pumpkin Fest would be October 22nd and they would have vendors so if they knew anyone who would like to have a booth to please tell them to call the gym and register so they could try to not have a vendors selling the same thing.

Mayor Diaz stated that the shades were great and she had been getting so many call and compliments on them and that we needed to get the Pumpkin Fest on the marquee so they would have some advance notice. Mayor Diaz stated that everyone was excited about the shades, and she told them we were going to be doing some work on the dough outs as well.

Elizabeth Flores, Heritage Hall Director, advised that they had four new member at Heritage Hall and they would be having a breakfast on Monday morning to celebrate Grand Parents Day.

Suellen Denton, Jacinto City Library, discussed a program that they would be having on September 15th at the Library and would appreciate everyone's participation.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Squyres advised that we getting ready to start work on the air conditioners at Town Center, they would be replacing the plastic pipe with copper pipe and would be replacing the control system and all the work would be done during the day so that it would not interfere with any rentals or events that we had scheduled. He Also advised that we would be replacing the sign outside the Town Center with a LED sign and discussed what all could be put on the sign. He discussed economic development in the city and advised that

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it looked like we would have a new restaurant coming into the city, a Chinese Restaurant and possibly two large warehouses.

Mr. Squyres advised that since the changes we made to our website we had tripled the number of hits in the last six months.

Mayor Diaz asked if the gas station was still coming in on Mercury Drive and was advised it was.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Second and Final reading of Ordinance 2016-4 Adopting a Budget for FY 2016/2017**

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Gonzales to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2016-4 Adopting a Budget for FY 2016-2017. Vote: 5 For 0 Against

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Resolution 2016-8R Setting Tax Rate for 2016**

City Manager Squyres advised that the tax rate in this Resolution was the same rate as last year, that the only way your taxes would increase was if the value on your home or property had gone up.

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Lee to approve Resolution 2016-8R setting the tax rate for 2016 at \$0.783554 per \$100 valuation Vote: 5 For 0 Against

- 2. Resolution 2016-10R Approving the Submission of an Application for Texas Traffic Safety E-Grant for the Police**

Department.

**A Motion was made by Council Member Garcia and
Seconded by Council Member Gonzales to approve
Resolution 2016-10R Submitting and application for
For Texas Traffic Safety E-Grant for the police Department
Vote: 5 For 0 Against**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Amelia Ledezma, 10133 Wiggins, stated that she would like to know if you could park in front of your neighbors house as long as you were not blocking their driveway.

Chief Ayala advised that as long as they were legally parked, not blocking a driveway or creating a traffic hazard.

Ms. Ledezma ask what if the neighbor parked blocking your driveway.

Mayor Diaz suggested that she call the police instead of having a problem with the neighbor.

Mr. Patrick McMann from Whittier Elementary advised that he was here to give an update on Whittier elementary, that they now had started a PTO which he thought would be a lot of help to the students. He stated that the Fire Department had reached out to their nurse and were going to have attendance incentives , the students who meet a certain criteria will be recognized at the school by the Fire Department and he was very grateful. He stated that their band director was fine with performing at the Christmas Parade and future events but for now he thought it would be better to just focus on one event and see now it goes. He stated that he was supposed to set up a meeting with the Police Department about a mentoring program and he had dropped the ball.

Chief Ayala advised him that he has sent him a response advising that they could meet on October 14th.

Mr. McMann advised that they did receive the grant for \$4,500 to buy books for the children.

Mayor Diaz read off the list of addresses for National Night Out Parties and suggested that Ms. McMann and staff might like to participate in National Night Out.

There was general discussion about National Night Out.

Mayor Diaz stated that if they remembered the Galena Park High School Band had ask for our support some time ago when they were trying to purchase a truck for the band equipment, they had been able to purchase the truck and they going to apply a digital wrap to the trailer and were offering individuals and companies an opportunity to purchase a spot on the truck and Mr. Cortez had letters he was passing out explaining how they could be a part of this.

Mayor Diaz reported that Galena Park's football team was 2 and 0.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Rivas ask Chief Ayala how the phone attached to the door bell andwas advised the directions were on the flyer.

Mr. Rivas ask Kyle how we would prevent the brush from growing back on Lane St. and Kyle stated they would have to take steps to do that but they wouldn't have to worry about it for a long time

Mr. Rivas ask if we would be able to put pictures on the new sign at Town Center and was advised that we would and ask about the possibility of a sign at Holland and Market.

Mr. Rivas stated that there seemed to be a problem with enforcing the ordinance we have about people walking their dogs in the park and not picking up after them and a lot of people use those parks. He also when the new streets lights would go in that it was really dark on the west side of the park.

Lon advised that they should be going in late November or early December.

Council Member Robinson thanked everyone for coming out and wish them a safe weekend.

Council Member Lee thanked everyone for coming out that he appreciated everyone of them. He stated that he understood that the police had a pretty sizeable drug bust and he congratulated Officer Mascari for getting the drugs off the street.

Council Member Garcia thanked everyone for joining us tonight and to be sure and call us if they needed anything or if they had any ideas they would like to see in Jacinto City to let us know.

Council Member Gonzales stated that we had an employee from Jacinto City Elementary and also from Whittier and he was wondering about the traffic in the morning and afternoon , had there been any issues with that.

Mr McMann from Whitter stated that he didn't think that it had been to bad in the mornings, that he really wasn't where he could monitor it in the afternoons.

Suellen from the Library stated that it got backup at the stop sign at LaCross .

Dina Gonzales, Jacinto City Elementary stated that it was fine there.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joyce Raines". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Joyce Raines
City Secretary**

CITY OF JACINTO CITY
BUDGET SUMMARY
GENERAL & WATER FUNDS

	2015-2016	Proposed	Difference
Income From General Fund	\$9,066,054	11,594,707	\$2,528,653
Tax Income Dedicated to Debt (I&S Fund)	\$ 488,500	\$ 485,400	\$ (3,100)
Total Income (Includes Operating & Debt)	\$ 9,554,554	\$ 12,080,107	\$ 2,525,553
Expenditures - General Fund			
Department 11 - General Administration	\$ 637,122	\$ 673,978	\$ 36,856
Department 12 - Emergency Management	\$ 51,839	\$ 53,350	\$ 1,511
Department 13 - Code Enforcement - Health	\$ 88,002	\$ 87,327	\$ (674)
Department 14 - Fire Department	\$ 66,216	\$ 75,747	\$ 9,531
Department 15 - Parks & Recreation	\$ 752,745	\$ 784,732	\$ 31,986
Department 16 - Police Department	\$ 1,953,173	\$ 2,119,533	\$ 166,360
Department 17 - Municipal Court	\$ 306,775	\$ 434,936	\$ 128,161
Department 18 - Traffic	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,500	\$ 500
Department 19 - Street Department	\$ 689,076	\$ 753,062	\$ 63,986
Department 20 - Garage Department	\$ 59,812	\$ 61,507	\$ 1,695
Department 21 - Sanitation	\$ 105,907	\$ 606,702	\$ 500,795
Department 22 - Heritage Hall	\$ 173,325	\$ 176,857	\$ 3,532
Department 23 - Mayor and City Council	\$ 38,720	\$ 37,520	\$ (1,200)
Department 24 - Emergency Medical Service	\$ 522,337	\$ 613,633	\$ 91,296
Capital Improvements From Cash Reserves	\$ 3,595,000	\$ 4,900,000	\$ 1,305,000
Total Expenditures - General Fund	\$ 9,056,048	\$11,395,383	\$ 2,339,335
Income Less Expenditures - General Fund	\$ 10,006	\$ 199,324	\$ 189,318
Income From Water Fund	\$ 2,817,492	2,531,321	\$ (286,171)
Expenditures - Water Fund			
Department 31 - General Administration	\$ 701,866	\$ 377,897	\$ (323,970)
Department 32 - Water Systems Department	\$ 1,396,898	\$ 1,323,140	\$ (73,758)
Department 33 - Waste Water Systems Departn	\$ 707,359	\$ 811,063	\$ 103,704
Department 34 - Mayor and City Council	\$ 11,340	\$ 11,540	\$ 200
Total Expenditures - Water Fund	\$ 2,817,463	\$ 2,523,640	\$ (293,823)
Income Less Expenditures - Water Fund	\$ 29	\$ 7,681	\$ 7,652

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BUDGET SUMMARY - DEBT SERVICE
2016-2017

Income							
	Current Taxes	\$	488,500	\$	485,400	\$	(3,100)
	Transfer from Water Fund		0		0		
	Total Income	\$	488,500	\$	485,400	\$	(3,100)
Expenditures							
	2014 General Obligation Refunding Bonds	\$	488,200	\$	485,100	\$	(3,100)
	Bond Agent Fees	\$	300	\$	300		
	Total Debt Expenditures	\$	488,500	\$	485,400	\$	(3,100)
Income Less Expenditures			0				