

Gardendale City Council Work Session Monday January 13, 2020 5:30 pm

The Gardendale City council met in work session at 5:30 p.m. on January 13, 2020, at City Hall located at 925 Main Street to discuss general business affecting the city.

Members present were as follows:

Alvin Currington Allen Jerkins Adam Berendt Greg Colvert

Also attending: Mayor Stan Hogeland City Engineer Rick Nail
Public Works Director Jeff Holliyan

Absent: Will Hardman

Council President Currington presided over the meeting and City Clerk Melissa Honeycutt served as recording secretary.

Council President Currington called upon Rick Nail, City Engineer regarding the roadway project that was recently bid out. The bids came in at 170,000. Rick reached out to a contractor who stated that they estimated it 110,000. Recommend reject bids and slightly revise some of the materials and utilize PACA pricing. Contractor at ACE site has only run into light rock in one area near storm drain. Bid as quantity allowance bid as well instead of one lump sum. Allow flexibility to allow work to be done in summer, about a 5 week project.

Discussed the project do the road to driveway of hotel or go ahead and do the extension to Caufield Sq. Councilman Colvert asked for more information and to see sketch. Rick showed a sketch of roundabout, will not have traffic counts to warrant traffic signal inside the development. Trying to get the highest and best use of the property that currently remains undeveloped. Mayor Hogeland stated easy thing to do is rebid city street only. Then spec an asphalt drive and connector to Caufield with it known that it would be torn up later as the property develops, this is estimated to be about 20,000 for the "temporary road". Councilor Colvert stated the roundabout would also control traffic. The roundabout would allow another entrance into it as development occurred, Estimated about 550,000 plus cost of City street. Will get rough cost and sketch of the property showing city street, roundabout, and how much developable land would remain. Mayor Hogeland stated we don't need to design the roundabout unless we are willing to pay out half a million dollars right now.

Councilor Currington suggested for future devotionals that each council member take 4 meetings a piece (2 months) and line up the devotionals and send them a reminder leading up to the meetings.

1st quarter finance meeting covering Oct-Dec 2019 will be Monday Jan 27 and Tuesday Jan 28, 2020.

Discussed Textmygov application for citizen involvement. Approved, get contract for agenda.

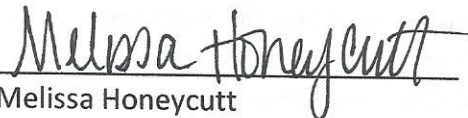
Discussed Dobbins Property and when the property will be deeded over to the city. This needs to be done prior to permits being pulled.

Discussion of Jim Parola and Farmer's Market. Good Shepard has ended the program and if we want to continue the city needs to step in. Need more sponsors and maybe increase vendor fees and adjust hours.

Mayor Hogeland asked for consideration of ABC 33/40 Focus series that highlights positive things in the city and we can highlight the message being sent. Cost is \$15,000 for one month, in April. Propose take it out of school money as it will help our schools and education.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 pm.

Submitted:


Melissa Honeycutt

Accepted and Approved:


Alvin Currington, Council President