

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 15, 2016

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a workshop meeting on Monday, August 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Sachse City Hall, 3815-B Sachse Road, Sachse, Texas. Those present were Mayor Mike Felix, Council Members Brett Franks, Charlie Ross, Paul Watkins, Bill Adams, Cullen King, and Jeff Bickerstaff. City Manager, Gina Nash; City Attorney, Joe Gorfida; City Secretary, Michelle Lewis Sirianni; Human Resources Manager, Stacy Buckley; Community Development Director, Dusty McAfee; Police Chief, Bryan Sylvester; and Fire Chief, Marty Wade.

Mayor Felix called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council will convene pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section §551.071: to consult with the City Attorney regarding the following pending litigation: Randy Cole vs. City of Sachse, Civil Action No. 3:13-CV-02719-0.

At 6:31 p.m., the City Council convened into Executive Session.

At 7:02 p.m., the City Council reconvened back into the workshop meeting.

No further action was taken.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT: Presentation and discussion of the North Central Texas Council of Government's proposal for an Emergency Communication District.

Chief Sylvester stated that the City receives 9-1-1 service, infrastructure, and equipment through a contract with the North Central Texas Council of Government (NCTCOG). The wireline and wireless fees are collected by the State Comptroller and disbursed through legislative appropriation back to the NCTCOG for use in 9-1-1 service delivery and technology improvements. Chief Sylvester stated the proposed resolution will allow for the creation of an Emergency Communication District. This will allow the NCTCOG to receive all funds collected through the existing 9-1-1 fees for use in maintaining and enhancing service delivery versus the fees going through legislature, which often times the funds collected are not appropriated fully back to the NCTCOG. This will have no impact to the City.

Marc Brown, NCTCOG representative, presented Council with a brief 9-1-1 legislative history, who the system providers are, and the difference between Districts and COGS with the main difference being how money is collected and allocated. Mr. Brown stated that NCTCOG is asking every entity (149) receiving 9-1-1 services pass a resolution creating the Emergency Communication District. Currently, 94 of the 149 have passed resolutions. A representative from each entity may attend the first meeting and serve on an Interim Board that will decide the size of the Board and the creation of bylaws and policies with 2/3 of the Board being elected officials.

The funding for the District would have no taxing authority, no ability to issue long-term debt, but could do short term loans, and cannot increase a current fee of \$0.50 that will remain as is. Mr. Brown stated the creation of the District will allow for more local control, receive more of the funds from the service fees to allow for them to continue the enhancement and improvement of location accuracy, increasing network securities, and improving the resiliency and diversity of the 9-1-1 network within the District.

The Council discussed how the Interim Board would work, how keeping the monies in region is more beneficial, what would or could trigger a dissolution of the Board and the timeline on when the remaining entities would pass resolutions approving the creation of the District. Mr. Brown responded that the dissolution would be addressed in the bylaws created by the Board and they are aiming to have all resolutions approved by August 2017.

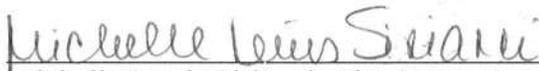
No further action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:24 p.m. Mayor Felix adjourned the meeting.



MIKE J FELIX, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Michelle Lewis Sirianni, City Secretary

