

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

September 6, 2016

### MONTGOMERY CITY COUNCIL

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kirk Jones declared a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:        Kirk Jones            Mayor  
                  Jon Bickford        Place #1  
                  John Champagne    Place #2  
                  T.J. Wilkerson     Place #3  
                  Dave McCorquodale Place #5

Absent:         Rebecca Huss        Place #4

Also Present: Jack Yates            City Administrator

#### CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. Consideration and possible action to set by Order the 2016 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations, \$0.2043/\$100.

Mr. Yates advised the total rate of \$0.4155 has been the same for the past six years. Mr. Yates stated the City will receive more funds from Ad Valorem Taxes because the assessed valuation has increased partially on existing properties, but most of the increase is due to new construction of houses and businesses in the City.

Jon Bickford moved to accept and set the 2016 Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations of \$0.2043 per \$100 valuation. Dave McCorquodale seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

Mayor Jones announced City Council is required to have a super majority present to adopt these tax rates, which they have present.

2. Consideration and possible action to set by Order the 2016 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service, \$0.2112/\$100.

Mr. Yates stated this is the same rate as last year. Mr. Yates noted they will have an increase in the Debt Service Fund because of the new assessment rate \$0.2112/\$100. Mr. Yates said that the overage will go partially, this year, for the Texas Water Development Board funding. Mr. Yates stated this will bring approximately \$80,000 to the Debt Service Fund. Of those funds, they will only use an estimated \$10,000 - \$20,000 this year to repay the Texas Water Development Board. Mr. Yates said they will be able to build a surplus in the Debt Service Fund, but it will not be excessive.

Dave McCorquodale moved to set by Order the 2016 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service at \$0.2112 per \$100 valuation. T.J. Wilkerson seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

3. Consideration and possible action to adopt the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS, SETTING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY, FOR THE YEAR 2016 AT A RATE OF \$0.4155 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) VALUATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016 SPECIFYING SEPARATE COMPONENTS OF SUCH RATE FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND FOR DEBT SERVICE; LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE YEAR 2016 PROVIDING FOR DUE AND DELINQUENT DATES TOGETHER WITH PENALTIES AND INTEREST; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION AND ORDAINING OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

John Champagne made a point of correction on the reading of the Ordinance caption as read by the Mayor, stating the rate was \$0.4155 per \$100 valuation.

John Champagne moved to adopt the Ordinance as presented to City Council that would set the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the City of Montgomery for the year 2016 at a rate of \$.4155/ per \$100 valuation with all the items that were outlined in the consideration. Dave McCorquodale seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

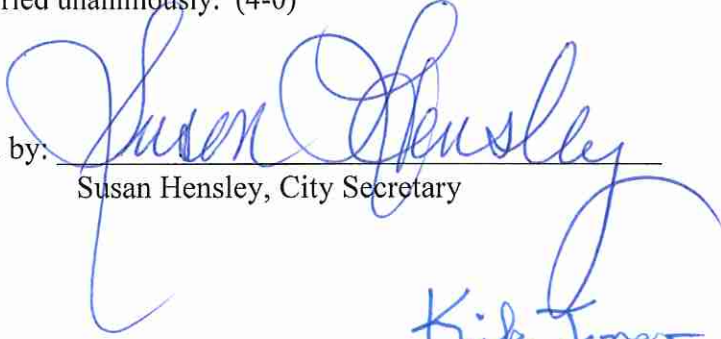
The City Council reserves the right to discuss any of the items listed specifically under this heading or f or any items listed above in executive closed session as permitted by law including if they meet the qualifications in Sections 551.071(consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property),551.073 (deliberation regarding gifts), 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices), and 551.087 (deliberation regarding economic development negotiations) of Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas. (No current items at this time)

**COUNCIL INQUIRY:**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sect. 551.042 the Mayor and Council Members may inquire about a subject not specifically listed on this Agenda. Responses are limited to recitation of existing policy or a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry. Any deliberation or decision shall be limited to a proposal to place on the agenda of a future meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Jon Bickford moved to adjourn the meeting 6:07 p.m. John Champagne seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

Submitted by:   
Susan Hensley, City Secretary

Date Approved: 9/27/16



Mayor Kirk Jones

