

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**August 22, 2017**

**MONTGOMERY CITY COUNCIL**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kirk Jones declared a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present:        Kirk Jones                    Mayor  
                  Jon Bickford                    Place #1  
                  John Champagne                Place #2  
                  T.J. Wilkerson                  Place #3  
                  Rebecca Huss                    Place #4  
                  Dave McCorquodale            Place #5

Absent:

Also Present: Mr. Jack Yates            City Administrator  
                  Mr. Larry Foerster            City Attorney

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. Open forum that allows each citizen present to address the governing body to express their concerns on the proposed tax increase. (Limit of 3 minutes)  
Public Hearing No. 1 of 2.

Mayor Jones convened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Mr. Yates advised that the total City property taxes are at .4155, providing a total of \$818,414 in taxes, which is an increase of \$127,111. This is solely due to the increase in assessed property value. Mr. Yates said that \$.3660 was the effective tax rate that the City could have adopted that would have brought in the same amount of taxes as last year.

Mr. Yates said that City Council, during budget workshop discussions, felt that keeping the current tax rate and split between maintenance and operations and debt service, would be enough to allow for the increase in services due to community growth in the City.

2. Announcement of the date, time and place that City Council will conduct the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing.

Mr. Yates announced that the second of the two public hearings, as required by law, would be held on August 29, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Dave McCorquodale asked, for clarity, in terms of the difference in revenue from the City from last year to this year. Mr. Yates said that amount is \$127,111.

### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jones adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Submitted by:

  
Susan Hensley, City Secretary

Date Approved:

09/12/17

  
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Mayor Kirk Jones

