

HILLSBORO CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
Hillsboro Municipal Court – 130 Homestead Drive

April 26, 2017

At 7:00 p.m., Council President Lee Koogler called the Hillsboro City Council special session to order. The following were present for the meeting: Mayor Drew Hastings, Gary Silcott, Consulting Safety and Service Director; Gary Lewis, Auditor; and Debbie Sansone, Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Dick Donley, Tracy Aranyos, Justin Harsha, Claudia Klein, Ann Morris, and Becki Wilkin were present.

MOTION Ms. Aranyos moved, seconded by Ms. Klein, to excuse the absence of Bill Alexander. Vote: all yeas.

MOTION At 7:01 p.m., Ms. Klein moved, seconded by Mr. Harsha, to enter into Executive Session to discuss the purchase of property. Vote: all yeas. Council returned to regular session at 7:27 p.m. No action was taken.

DISCUSSION

Tom Eichinger, Planning Commission Chair, addressed Council regarding the funding needed to continue sidewalk improvements. He offered some examples from other cities such as city contributions for sidewalk improvement at a rate of 50% up to a specified limit. Mr. Eichinger said that a budget could be set for planned sidewalk activity each year, allowing for sidewalks, tree issues, and complaints. Once the cost is known for sidewalk improvements to a specific property the number of years the cost is assessed can be determined. The assessment period would be higher for sidewalks with larger costs. The city auditor could procure funds for the upcoming year to cover the cost of the sidewalk project. Mr. Eichinger stressed the need to be aggressive until all of the sidewalks are improved. He asked that Council approve the sidewalk concept presented to them in 2016 and then the committee should meet with the auditor to determine how to fund the program. Mr. Koogler placed the matter in the Street and Safety Committee.

MOTION Ms. Aranyos moved, seconded by Mr. Harsha, to approve a 10-year assessment for sidewalk improvements for Justin Crowley at 142 South High Street. Vote: all yeas. A ten-year assessment was approved.

ADJOURN

MOTION Ms. Wilkin moved, seconded by Ms. Aranyos, to adjourn. Vote: all yeas. Council adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

The next scheduled regular meeting of the Hillsboro City Council is Monday, May 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hillsboro Municipal Court.

Lee Koogler, President

Debbie Sansone, Clerk