

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 23-24, 2023

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Retreat (Day 1) on Friday, June 23, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Development Service Center at 401 N. Elm Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT IN PERSON: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Beck and Council Members Vicki Byrd, Paul Meltzer, Brandon Chase McGee, Joe Holland, and Chris Watts

ABSENT: None

Also present were City Manager Sara Hensley and City Attorney Mack Reinwand

There was no public registration process as this was a planning session only.

RETREAT DAY 1

1. ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

- A. ID 22-562 Hold a retreat, workshop, and discussion facilitated by Strategic Government Resources, Inc and give staff direction and priorities regarding governance challenges, policy development, and specific goals for the 2023-2024 fiscal year concerning any and all operations of the City of Denton city government.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Ron Holifield, CEO, Strategic Government Resources, and Hilary Shine facilitated discussion regarding Practices and Policies for Good Governance, including the following topics:

- Effective Elected Officials
- Challenges to Effective Board and Executive Teamwork
- Effective Personal Leadership Strategies to Achieve Policy Goals
- Trust Based Leadership

Mayor Hudspeth recessed City Council Retreat for the evening at 6:56 p.m.

RETREAT DAY 2

Mayor Hudspeth reconvened the City Council Retreat on Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 8:33 a.m.

1. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. ID 22-1223 Receive training and hold a discussion regarding the City of Denton Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics). [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 20 minutes]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Madison Rorschach, City Auditor, facilitated the City of Denton Ethics Ordinance Training, including the following topics:

- Ethical Expectations
- Ordinance mandates & Prohibitions
 - Reports & Disclosures
 - Conflicts of Interest & Representation of Others
 - Gifts
 - Misuse of Influence & Information
 - Abuse of Resources and Position
- Advisory Opinions & Clarification Processes
- Ethics Complaint Process

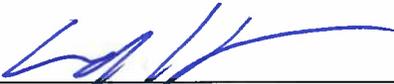
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The item was presented and discussion followed.

Ron Holifield, CEO, Strategic Government Resources, and Hilary Shine continued the facilitation of the discussion regarding Practices and Policies for Good Governance, including the following topics

- Review and Reflection from Retreat Day 1
- The System of Governance – Strategic Visioning Loop
- Governance Polarity Scale Exercise
- Denton’s Top Governance Challenges
- Governance Policy Development
 - Importance of Governance Policies
 - City Council Rules of Procedure
 - Potential Improvements

With no further business, the retreat was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



GERARD HUDSPETH
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS



JESUS SALAZAR
INTERIM CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: July 18, 2023