

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS
JANUARY 6, 2012

On January 6, 2012, the Kerrville City Council special meeting was called to order by Mayor Wampler at 9:06 a.m. in the city hall council chambers, 800 Junction Highway.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

David Wampler	Mayor
Carson Conklin	Councilmember
T. Scott Gross	Councilmember
Stacie Keeble	Councilmember

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT:

Gene Allen	Mayor Pro Tem
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CITY EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Parton	City Manager
Mike Hayes	City Attorney
Brenda G. Craig	City Secretary
Kristine Ondrias	Assistant City Manager
Mike Erwin	Director of Finance
Charlie Hastings	Director of Public Works
Kim Meisner	Director of General Operations
Mindy Wendele	Director of Business Programs
Robert Ojeda	Fire Chief

VISITORS PRESENT: List is on file in city secretary's office.

1. Land Use Planning Assumptions for Wastewater System Planning:

Mr. Parton noted the council recently approved a contract with Freese & Nichols for evaluation of the city's wastewater treatment plant and master plan; in preparation for that evaluation, staff requested the city council review the 2007 growth assumptions. He noted the capital improvement plan (CIP) was based on the 2007 assumptions, which he felt were too aggressive based on current information and trends. The projects currently underway were necessary to address capacity and maintenance issues. He stated that these projections were the first step in the wastewater study and would be used as the basis for other planning and budgetary purposes.

Ms. Ondrias noted the assumptions presented to council were based in part on the 2007 assumptions; however, existing conditions found those assumptions to be too aggressive as population and new construction projections had not been met. She reviewed projects currently under construction or planned for construction and how those projects would improve the city's infrastructure.

Mr. Parton noted the current \$18 million CIP included projects that would address existing service level issues and help create capacity for growth; however, the city needed to invest in the core infrastructure system to meet future growth and future needs should be based on a set of assumptions that were neither too conservative nor too aggressive.

The following points were also discussed by staff and council:

- The living unit equivalent was based on 2.1 persons per household.
- 503 single family residential platted lots were available for development in the city; additional lots were available in other developments and infill lots were available throughout city.
- Water records noted 283 inactive meters; most likely due to housing vacancies.
- City should focus on improvements to core infrastructure, and utility expansion in potential commercial and mixed use growth areas in the city.
- City should develop a long term water conservation plan.
- There had been discussion in the past of the city being a regional supplier of water; the city should operate on the principle of what was in the best interest and benefit of the citizens of the city.
- Suggested that the map of proposed development and expansion areas be provided to developers for their comments.

2. Discussion of Future Steps for the Wastewater System Master Plan Update:

Ms. Ondrias noted two additional city council meetings were proposed:

1. Consultant meet with council to review several scenarios for the wastewater treatment plant.
2. Review and adopt wastewater master plan and capital improvement plan.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

APPROVED: _____

David Wampler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda G. Craig, City Secretary