

**The City of Balcones Heights
City Council Meeting
3300 Hillcrest Drive
Balcones Heights, Texas 78201**

**Special Meeting
MINUTES**

DATE: August 29, 2013

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Suzanne de Leon (Mayor) Lamar Gillian (Mayor Pro Tem)
 Miguel Valverde Jack Burton
 Charles White

Members Absent: Madeline Slay

Sign in Sheet: None

CALL TO ORDER AND RECORDING OF QUORUM:

Meeting was called to order and quorum was present.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U. S. A. AND TEXAS FLAGS

Councilman Burton gave the invocation and led pledges.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Public Hearing opened at 6:01 p.m.

1. City Council will conduct a **Public Hearing** on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by up to 8 percent.

Councilwoman Slay who did not attend this meeting sent an email and the Mayor read it out loud to everyone present.

City Administrator stated that she is proposing the effective tax rate for the budget.

WORKSHOP:

2. City Council may conduct a budget workshop for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014.

Finance Director gave a presentation on the following topics:

- Public Hearing Schedule
- Unfunded – General Fund
- Unfunded – Restricted
- Summary of Changes
- Tax Rate

Councilman Gillian stated that the budget committee is directing staff to create a vehicle replacement policy.

There was a question and answer period.

Councilman White spoke on recommendations for adjustments with the Community Initiatives budget.

Councilman Gillian recommended that Councilman White's spreadsheet be verified by City Administrator and Finance Director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:49 p.m.

3. Discussion pursuant to Code § 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) of the Texas Government Code to discuss current status of Collective Bargaining negotiations with BHPOA.

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

City Council reconvened in open session at 7:09 p.m.

No Action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Submitted by:

Delia Flores, TRMC
City Secretary

Minutes approved at the September 9, 2013 City Council meeting.