

City of San Angelo, Texas
Special City Council Meeting
Thursday, July 27, 2017

Present:

Mayor Brenda Gunter
Mayor Pro tem Lane Carter, SMD 5
Council Member Tommy Hiebert, SMD 1
Council Member Tom Thompson, SMD 2
Council Member Harry Thomas, SMD 3
Council Member Lucy Gonzales, SMD 4
Council Member Billie F. DeWitt, SMD 6

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Gunter called the Special session of the San Angelo City Council to order at 2:03 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, 2017, in the San Angelo McNease Convention Center, 501 Rio Concho Drive, San Angelo, Texas 76903.

2. Workshop Agenda Agenda

a. Introduction and Overview of the Strategic Planning Session

City Manager Daniel Valenzuela gave an overview of the itinerary for the workshop and led a discussion on Vision/Mission Statements & Values.

b. Discussion on the following items:

1. Strategic Planning/Current and Future City Priorities

Mayor Gunter spoke about utilizing current assets at a greater level, such as Economic Development, adding a Business/Industrial park at the Airport. Ms. Gunter also mentioned focusing on factors that draw people to San Angelo, such as Goodfellow Air Force Base, Medical/Healthcare industry, Education (ASU/Howard College), our culture, our parks/recreation, Lake Nasworthy, Agriculture, the Oil and Gas Industry, Manufacturing, and Tourism (Historic Downtown/Fort Concho/Concho River), and a retirement destination.

Council Member Hiebert noted that City Employees are a huge asset to the city. Council Member Thomas concurred with focusing on our partnership with Goodfellow Air Force Base.

Mayor Gunter also noted the need to think about progressive attitude toward technology, business friendly government (permits/planning), transportation (Ports-to-Plains, Highways, Railroad, Airport, etc.), workforce, crime, and property taxes (growing our tax base).

The key areas for promoting the city were narrowed to:

- Goodfellow Air Force Base
- Education Providers
- Medical/Healthcare/Retirement
- Culture/Recreation/Tourism
- Agricultural/Manufacturing/Oil & Gas
- Value of City Employees

Further discussion was held on the stakeholders that support those areas and how we measure success for objectives.

Finance Director Tina Dierschke presented information about the City's current Financial Condition. Discussion was also held on developing new strategic considerations.

Water Utilities Director Bill Riley presented information about the water supply and future needs.

Assistant Director of Operations Patrick Frerich presented information related to street reconstruction, maintenance, and repair.

Assistant City Manager Michael Dane presented information related to the former First Financial Bank building and the need for a future Police Station.

Director of Human Resources Lisa Marley presented information related to employee salaries and remaining competitive. Mayor Gunter spoke about the need to look at merit based raises, and focusing salary surveys on comparing to the private sector in San Angelo.

Planning & Development Services Director Jon James presented information related to improvements in the Planning and Development processes.

Finance Director Tina Dierschke and relevant staff presented information related to possible new strategic priorities such as: Health Insurance rates for Employees, purchase of a sixth frontline ambulance, and additional police officers.

2. Key Messages for Promoting City

Mr. Valenzuela spoke on developing five key Messages for promoting San Angelo.

3. Downtown Master Development Plan and Assets

Planning & Development Services Director Jon James provided information.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, the special meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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Brenda Gunter, Mayor

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Bryan Kendrick, City Clerk

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