



STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday March 26, 2019

1. Call to Order Time:6:12pm
2. New Business

A discussion of Water Bills was added to new business. This discussion centered around Council Member Arturo's son's rental property and charges there in. The situation is that the resident left the residence after the water was shut off due to delinquency and the homeowner was left with a large bill. The homeowner wanted the account shut off to avoid further incurring charges but it is city policy, per our ordinance, not to close any account without first paying off the account balance. The homeowner has no problem paying off the balance but did not want to incur further charges while trying to get the money to pay it off. It was referred to the city attorney and after some thought he stated that although this is the way the ordinance reads; this was not its intention. He thought it reasonable that charges would stop once the water was shut off. All were in agreement and they also said they would look into other accounts having this same issue.

We then heard from the new City Treasurer who gave a speech, for lack of a better term, on his qualifications and work ethic in regards to his position. His position and salary has been a discussion for several meetings and he wanted a chance to speak his piece on the situation. He also stated that he was under the understanding that his salary was already settled and did not understand the discussion of it at the last council meeting. He also felt that he needed to mention that the day he was hired he received a phone call from a family member advising him not to take the position. He said this was very concerning to him because he had not even been notified by the mayor of his offer and had not even really told anyone about the interview. The city attorney said that this was a concerning and they would look into the matter further.

3. Adjournment: Time:7:01pm

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Joshua Roberson
Deputy City Clerk

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Laura Vazquez
Mayor