

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP/SPECIAL  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
DECEMBER 6, 2017

The City Council of Olmos Park, Texas held a workshop/special meeting on December 6, 2017 commencing at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Ronald Hornberger presided and Council members present were Kenyon McDonald, Casey Fry, Sharon Plant, Enzo Pellegrino and Juliana Dusek. Staff present was City Manager, Celia DeLeon and City Secretary, Diane Gonzales. Also present were David Givler, Givler Engineering and Abraham Galindo, Givler Engineering.

Mayor Pro-Tem McDonald called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and determined a quorum was present.

Mayor Ronald Hornberger arrived at 5:05 p.m.

Discuss Olmos Park sewer system with City Engineer, David Givler providing an update report with follow-up Q&A's.

David Givler discussed the Olmos Park Sewer System and stated it is a big part of the City's infrastructure at almost ten miles long and valued it about fifteen million worth of infrastructure and is a significant future cost if it is not cared for properly. He stated his goal has been to maintain it in a way it is going to give the City the most value for the least cost. He presented pictures of different types of pipes: vitrified clay pipes, concrete pipes, lined VCP pipes and PVC pipes and the cost for the major and minor point repairs.

Councilman Fry arrived at 5:08 p.m.

Councilwoman Plant asked what was repaired on the sewer when we obtained the bond?

David Givler stated it occurred in 2000 to 2004 and was the last major upgrade that the City did on the system and the vitrified clay pipe was a lining that was installed in the pipe and it is something they refer to as trenchless technology and have methods for slip lining the whole pipes with newer stronger materials and a lot of the City has been rehabilitated in that way and this added about twenty years to the life of those pipes. The PVC pipe was put in some spot locations for repairs and also some of the lines were replaced about the time of the slip lining with some of the street work that was done. One of the problems that Givler Engineering has been dealing with is when issues come up about planning for the system, doing construction coordination, reviewing plans that come in from contractors who are proposing to do work, and we don't have a comprehensive set of plans that are accurate and we are in the process of making those plans and have identified manholes and put coordinates on them so they can always be found again. He stated he has some old documents from an old study that that was done through the cooperation with San Antonio Water System and lines have been replaced and moved and sometimes shown inaccurately and there are no updates on the maps that show the current situation. He stated they clean the lines and then geo reference and update the maps as they go.

Councilwoman Plant stated it would be helpful to have a list of everything that has been fixed so far since David Givler has been City Engineer.

Councilman Pellegrino asked in 2000 to 2004 did the City have clay pipes or concrete pipes and they were lined which extended the life but once you extend the life do you have to remove those pipes and replace with PVC, what is our option?

David Givler stated yes you would have to remove the old pipes and he thinks there is still life left and relining the pipes is not an option. One important benefit is that you avoid the big capital improvement project and avoid some of the emergencies which cost a lot more per foot to repair. If you have regular expenditures each year in a controlled way and you beat down the emergencies that will smooth out the budgeting process and will also add life to the system.

Mayor Hornberger asked what is the budget right now for sewer repairs and maintenance?

Councilman Pellegrino stated the Point Repairs are \$232,000 dollars the Televising is \$30,000 dollars and the Maintenance is \$30,000 dollars.

Mayor Hornberger stated the sewer fund is not being replaced every year so we are not paying as we go from the general funds.

David Givler stated we can push the life of the streets by doing regular maintenance and will have added another 10 years of life.

City Manager stated we have \$28,000 dollars in the budget now to scope one mile of sanitary sewer and for point repairs we have \$125,000 dollars which was approved in the FY2018 budget.

Councilwoman Dusek recommended that all the major and minor point repairs be done at one time on Mariposa and make one project instead of the repairs all being done at different times.

After a lengthy discussion City Council recommended the following:

Repair the broken pipes plus all the minor point repairs on Mariposa at one time.

Scope a half mile.

The items on the major point repairs need to be done as quickly as possible.

David Givler will put together a memo of the summary of the outcome and update the map showing the semi video areas that were distorted.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Ronald Hornberger  
Mayor

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Diane Gonzales  
City Secretary