

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL
4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TX 76180
SEPTEMBER 19, 2016**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trevino called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

A.1 INVOCATION

Council member Whitson gave the invocation.

A.2 PLEDGE

Council member Whitson led the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

A.3 CITIZENS PRESENTATION

There were no requests to speak from the public.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

B.1 CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TAX YEAR 2016 (FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017) PROPOSED TAX RATE

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Budget and Research Mark Mills to present the item.

Director of Budget and Research Mark Mills informed Council the purpose of the item is to receive comments from the public regarding the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2016/2017. Pursuant to state law, the City is required to conduct two public hearings prior to adoption of the tax rate. The adopted tax rate for 2015 (funds 2015/2016 budget) is 61 cents. The proposed tax rate for 2016 (funds 2016/2017 budget) remains the same at 61 cents. The first public hearing was conducted on August 22, 2016 and the second public hearing was conducted on Monday, September 12, 2016. Both public hearings were held during the regular City Council meetings. City Council will take action on the proposed tax rate at their Monday, September 26, 2016 meeting, which begins at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Trevino clarified the property tax increase, approved by voters in 2012 for the new city hall, remains dedicated to debt associated with the new City Hall project. Mr. Mills confirmed the four cent increase remains dedicated to the new City Hall project.

Council had no questions for staff.

Mayor Trevino asked for anyone wishing to speak on the item to come forward.

The following people spoke in opposition, Ms. Marty Hoag, 8017 Kendra Lane, North Richland Hills and Mr. Gary Lindenberger, 8305 Juniper Drive, North Richland Hills.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

Mayor Trevino announced no action is necessary by the City Council. The City Council will take action on the proposed tax rate on Monday, September 26, 2016.

C. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trevino adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Oscar Trevino, Mayor

Alicia Richardson, City Secretary