

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
AUGUST 29, 2019**

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trevino called the meeting to order August 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:	Oscar Trevino	Mayor
	Rita Wright Oujesky	Mayor Pro Tem
	Tito Rodriguez	Council, Place 1
	Suzy Compton	Council, Place 3
	<i>Vacant</i>	Council, Place 4
	Mike Benton	Council, Place 5
	Scott Turnage	Council, Place 6

Absent:	Tim Welch	Council, Place 7
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Staff Members:	Mark Hindman	City Manager
	Alicia Richardson	City Secretary
	Maleshia B. McGinnis	City Attorney

A.1 INVOCATION

Council member Compton gave the invocation.

A.2 PLEDGE

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

A.3 SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S) AND RECOGNITION(S)

There were no items for this category.

A.4 CITIZENS PRESENTATION

There were no requests to speak from the public.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

B.1 CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TAX YEAR 2019 (FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020) PROPOSED TAX RATE.

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

Mr. Myers informed City Council tonight is the second public hearing prior to setting the tax rate to support the 2019/2020 proposed budget. The public hearing was advertised in accordance with state law on the city's website and in the Fort Worth Star Telegram. The proposed tax rate is a reduction of \$0.013 than the previous year. This the third year the city has lowered the tax rate. The city offers a number of exemptions--homestead, senior citizen/disabled person, and senior tax ceiling--for residents. Citizens receiving a senior or disabled person tax ceiling will not see an increase in property taxes than in the prior year unless a new home was purchased or they have added on to their existing home. Currently, approximately 27.4% of all single family residences receive the tax ceiling. The city's property tax rate accounts for approximately 22.2% of the total tax rate before factoring in exemptions and the senior tax ceiling. The majority of the total property tax rate goes to the school district (55.2%) and Tarrant County (22.6%). Mr. Myers announced the City Council will take action on the proposed tax rate at their September 9, 2019 meeting.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. There being no forms submitted, Mayor Trevino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak on the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

Mayor Trevino announced that the City Council will consider and take action on the proposed tax rate at their September 9, 2019 City Council meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Council Chamber.

C. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trevino adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Oscar Trevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Richardson, City Secretary