

CITY COUNCIL ANNUAL RETREAT MINUTES
RIVEN ROCK RANCH, 390 HERMANN SONS ROAD, COMFORT, TEXAS

MAY 26, 2023 8:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER: On May 26, 2023 at 8:00 a.m., the City Council workshop was called to order by Mayor Judy Eychner at the Riven Rock Ranch, Comfort, Texas. Mayor Eychner provided the invocation.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Judy Eychner, Mayor
Roman Garcia, Councilmember Place 1
Jeff Harris, Councilmember Place 2
Joe Herring, Jr., Councilmember Place 3
Brenda Hughes, Councilmember Place 4/Mayor Pro Tem

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT: None

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

E.A. Hoppe, City Manager	Ashlea Boyle, Director Parks & Rec
Mike Hayes, City Attorney	Stuart Cunyus, Public Info Officer
Michael Hornes, Assistant City Manager	Megan Folkerts, Senior Mgmt Analyst
Kim Meismer, Assistant City Manager	Guillermo Garcia, Exec Director Innovation
Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary	Eric Maloney, Fire Chief
Stuart Barron, Exec Dir PW & Eng	Chris McCall, Police Chief
Julie Behrens, Director of Finance	Drew Paxton, Chief Planner

SPEAKERS:

Mike Conduff, the Elim Group

VISITORS PRESENT: None.

WORKSESSION (No action will be taken): The facilitated workshop was scheduled for the City Council and senior staff to discuss and develop governance polices and skills for the City Council. The Council discussed numerous broad topics such as public safety, infrastructure, development, community services, parks and recreation, water resources, public works, finance, Council priorities, policies, and procedures and other matters related to Council's desired direction and plans for the City, as well as general issues and matters related to the current and future needs and expectations for the City. The Council provided broad consensus on the mission, values, priorities, expectations, milestones, funding options and opportunities for the City however no final decision nor vote occurred. See attached agenda.

ADJOURN. The retreat adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: 6/13/23 ATTEST:


Judy Eychner, Mayor


Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary



City Council Retreat

May 26, 2023 @ La Calabria Pizzeria
Riven Rock Ranch
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



7:30 a.m. *Getting Into Gear:* Gathering & Breakfast

8:00 a.m. *Introduction & Invocation:* Mayor Eychner

8:05 a.m. *Welcome & Thanks:* Mike Conduff

Theme for the Day: Cars & Lightning McQueen

The Power of Local Government & the Democracy at the Doorstep Principle

Facilitated Self-Introductions

9:30 a.m. *Refuel* (Break)

Drive Backwards (with Mater!): Lessons from 2022-2023

- What are the things I am most pleased about from a City Perspective?
- What are some things that could have gone better?

Work of Leaders: Our Council & Staff Styles (DiSC)

The OnTarget Board Member: 8 Indisputable Behaviors

- Act on Behalf
- Know Our Job
- Set Targets
- Identify Risk
- Delegate the Work
- Assess Performance
- Practice Discipline
- Report Back

12:00 p.m. *Lunch Pit Stop: Fueling Collaboration & Action*

- Update/Overview of FY24 Major Budget Issues – Julie, E.A., and City Staff
- Projects & Programs (Update on K2050 progress, CIP, Pending Projects, & Programs – E.A. and City staff)

Post Lunch *Roadmap to Success*

- Prioritization of Projects, Programs, & Budget Priorities for FY24 – City Council

2:30 p.m. *Refuel* (Break)

4:00 p.m. *Crossing the Finish Line: Anchor & Adopt & Adjourn*