

MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF STAFFORD, TEXAS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024

On the 6th day of March, 2024, at 4:00 p.m., the City Council of Stafford, Texas met in the Council Chambers. The following members of the City Council were present: Mayor Ken Mathew, Mayor Pro Tem Herrera (arrived at 5:53 p.m.), and Council Members Alice Chen, William K. Bostic Jr. (arrived at 4:06 p.m.), Virginia Rosas, and Tim Wood. Absent: Council Member Christopher Caldwell. The following City Staff were present: Assistant City Secretary Shandra Phillips, Chief Financial Officer Alka Shah, Fire Chief Larry Di Camillo, and Chief of Police Richard Ramirez.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Mathew called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

2. Pledges of Allegiance.

Council Member Rosas led the pledge to the United States flag. Council Member Wood led the pledge to the Texas flag.

3. Public Comments.

No public comments were made.

4. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Direction regarding the five-year capital plan for the Fire Department.

Chief Di Camillo provided a PowerPoint presentation on the five-year capital plan for the Fire Department.

Chief Di Camillo answered questions from the Council Members.

5. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Direction regarding the five-year capital plan for the Police Department.

Chief Ramirez provided a presentation on the five-year capital plan for the Police Department.

Chief Ramirez answered questions from the Council Members.

At this time, Council Member Bostic made a motion to suspend the rule to allow additional public comments, and Council Member Chen seconded the motion. Mayor Mathew, Mayor Pro Tem Herrera and Council Members Chen, Bostic, Rosas, and Wood voted "Aye". "Nay" – None. Motion carried 6-0.

3. Public Comments.

Public comments were received from the following:

- Cliff Cowperthwait, who lives at 111 Squires Bend, advised that the City was already in a budget deficit of \$2.6 million because of the fund balance. He asked how much of the balance had been repaid in the past six months. Chief Financial Officer Alka Shah advised at that time, none. Mr. Cowperthwait also asked where the funds that the fire department and police department were asking for, including the deficit for the fund balance, would come from.

6. Adjournment.

Without any objection, the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

ATTEST:



Shandra Phillips
Assistant City Secretary



Ken Mathew
Mayor