

**MINUTES OF THE
KAUFMAN CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING
AND
BUDGET WORK SESSION
SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2010 — 8:30 A.M.
CEDAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB
18392 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE
KEMP, TEXAS 75143**

CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

MAYOR	WILLIAM FORTNER
MAYOR PRO-TEM	BARRY RATCLIFFE
COUNCILMEMBER	GIL ALTOM JR.
COUNCILMEMBER	JEFF COUNCIL
COUNCILMEMBER	CHARLES GILLENWATER
COUNCILMEMBER	KENNETH MUNDEN
COUNCILMEMBER	LOUIS TIJERINA

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Fortner called the Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Councilmembers present were William Fortner, Jeff Council, Charles Gillenwater, Kenneth Munden and Louis Tijerina. Mayor Pro-Tem Ratcliffe and Gil Altom Jr. were absent. Mayor Fortner declared a quorum present. Also present were City Manager Curtis Snow, ACM/City Secretary Jo Ann Talbot and Finance Director Cathy Cummins.

1. The Kaufman City Council will hold a Strategic Planning and Budget Work Session for the City of Kaufman.

City Manager Curtis Snow informed the Council that today was set for the Council to set goals.

Mr. Snow first went over the Strategic Planning Goals from 2009 set last year. He reported most of them were achieved except a few had funds tied to them and because of the economy, they have been delayed in order to keep the City's capital reserve funds in place.

The list below is the strategic planning goals that were discussed.

Develop Tax Abatement Policy for Mulberry Street and Ed Hall Drive.
Update Council on the Washington Street Corridor zoning.
Update Council on NEAT Program
Continue Annexation
Continue improving infrastructure and streets
Education on infrastructure

Strive to get a big box
Rename "Fair Street" Access Road
Discuss and consider Police Dispatching at Kaufman County Law Enforcement Center.
Strive for excellent quality customer service and communication.
Need field training and provide safety equipment to employees.
Promote downtown with mutual improvements by matching dollar for dollar.
Talk to Park Board – Park Plan - Prairie Creek area, Phillips Circle area and Shannon Park

Break at 11:10 a.m.
Reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

It was suggested to use approximately \$30,000.00 to provide an additional \$40.00 to the employees Health Reimbursement Account. That would give them a total of \$100.00 a month for medical expenses.

A trench box was also added to the Water/Wastewater budget.

City Manager asked the Council what there thoughts were about having an out of town retreat for two days next year. This would include a facilitator to conduct the meeting. There were no objections to the idea.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

**WILLIAM FORTNER
MAYOR**

ATTEST:

**JO ANN TALBOT
CITY SECRETARY**