

Minutes of Workshop held January 22, 2007

Workshop held with the following present: Mayor Horace Fincher; Aldermen Erik Dahler, Mark Bowen, Jerry Stone, Gerry Elias, Sam Cortez; City Secretary Josie Campa; City Attorney Tom Cate.

Visitors: Philip and Rudy Ruiz, Paul Boedeker, Shawna Lewis.

Mayor Fincher called the workshop to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Fincher told Council that he had discussed the city's impact fees at length with Philip and Rudy Ruiz and engineer Paul Boedeker.

City Attorney Tom Cate told Council that since water rights acquisition was considered for calculating the impact fee, it would be better to have a separate ordinance for water acquisition and take this out of the impact fee calculation. Mr. Cate told Council it is legal to have an acquisition ordinance.

Mayor Fincher suggested a committee be formed for water acquisition. The City Attorney told the Mayor and Council that an ordinance would have to be passed for creating this committee.

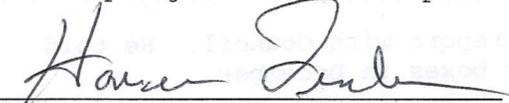
Alderman Dahler suggested the water acquisition fees be made part of the tap fee, so that the city doesn't have so many fees to charge people.

Paul Boedeker told Council that the impact fee ordinance would need to be changed, since both fees would constitute double-dipping.

Mayor Fincher recommended the city have the engineer recalculate the impact fees to leave the water acquisition costs out of it, and then amend the existing ordinance, and set up a new ordinance for water acquisition fees and committee.

Council discussed several things with the engineer and consultants and agreed the city would have to start back at the beginning and have public hearings on the impact fees. Council agreed to leave the impact fee as is for now until the engineer can recalculate the new impact fees without water acquisition fees.

Workshop adjourned at 7:05 p.m.



Mayor



City Secretary