## MINUTES OF A PUBLIC MEETING COMMUNITY FORUM (TOWN HALL MEETING) JANUARY 27, 2014

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

MAYOR PRO-TEM JOANN GORDON COUNCIL MEMBER JOANN BUTLER COUNCIL MEMBER JOE CREWS

**PWD JAMES HATLEY** 

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., the Community Forum was opened by Mayor Pro-Tem Gordon on Monday, January 27, 2014 at the River Oaks Community Center, 5300 Blackstone Dr., River Oaks, Texas.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM:** STAFF UPDATE AND REPORTING AND OPEN DISCUSSION FOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS RELATING TO THE CITY'S ON-GOING VOLUNTARY CURB-SIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM.

(The purpose of the meeting is for questions and answers regarding the City's Voluntary Curb-Side Recycling Program that started in October, 2013 that may include what's working? what's not? has the City seen benefits? or are there changes coming? There may also be a wide range of other topics discussed that relates to recycling. THERE WILL BE NO ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL TAKEN.

Mayor Pro-Tem JoAnn Gordon opened the Community Forum and turned it over to Public Works Director James Hatley to present the program.

**PWD James Hatley** provided an informative power point video and reported that 249 so far have signed up on the program, 1,774 bags have been collected by city crews amounting to 126 yards of uncompact recyclables that were loaded into a total of 15 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> dumpsters to be removed by Progressive Waste at no cost to the City. Estimated savings is \$1,600.

PWD Hatley reviewed again the program plan that the recyclables would have to be placed in transparent blue bags that can be purchased at places like Super Save, T&C Hardware and Home Depot. Recyclables will be collected on Wednesday's except for holidays and bags with trash in it would not be collected but instead would be picked up on regular garbage days.

After the presentation questions were called for from the audience. Mayor Pro-Tem Gordon then closed out the community forum.

## THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL TAKEN.

**3. ADJOURN:** At 7:45 p.m. the community forum was adjourned. No Council Action was taken.

96Ann Gordon, Mayor Pro-tem

**APPROVED:** 

ATTEST:

Marvin Gregory, City/Secretary