

City of Sachse, Texas
City Council Joint Workshop Session with the
Planning and Zoning Commission

Minutes of the Joint Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2012
Time: 6:30 p.m. Place: Sachse City Hall Courtroom

City Council Members Present:

Mayor Mike Felix
Mayor Pro Tem Jared Patterson
Councilman Bill Adams
Councilman Pat McMillan
Councilman Brett Franks
Councilman Todd Ronnau
Councilman Mark Timm

Planning and Zoning Commission Present:

Chairman Stephen Curtis
Commissioner Scott Everett
Commissioner Charles Ross
Commissioner Warren Becker
Commissioner David Hock

Members Absent:

Commissioner Wally Sparks
Commissioner Scott Williams

Staff Present:

Billy George, City Manager
Marc Kurbansade, Community Development
Director
Charlotte Youngblood, Secretary
Denise Vice, Special Projects

Mayor Mike Felix called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. City Council joined the Planning and Zoning Commissioners in the courtroom to begin the joint workshop session.

1. Discuss City of Sachse Landscaping Regulations.

Mr. George, City Manager, explained that the purpose of tonight's meeting is to discuss alternative landscape options for residential and non-residential development. Marc Kurbansade, Community Development Director, stated the meeting was to continue the dialogue pertaining to Landscaping regulations and recap previous work sessions with City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commissioners. The feedback at the meetings focused on three items: xeriscaping, how much of the City would be impacted and the different levels of approval for alternative landscaping. He stated that there would be a couple of workshop exercises and an open discussion in order to receive input on what items need to be included to prepare a draft ordinance. Mr. Kurbansade made a PowerPoint presentation highlighting residential and nonresidential landscape requirements from surrounding cities. He moved on to group exercise part one and stated the purpose of this exercise was to determine the consensus for different levels of approvals: by right, by right (minor modifications), and alternative landscape. After group exercise part one was completed, Mr. Kurbansade then requested feedback from the City Council and Commissioners as to their choices. Mr. Kurbansade explained that the purpose of the second group exercise was to find out what the City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commissioners wished to see in the amended landscape provisions and divided them amongst the following categories: site design; buffering; soil protection; and conservation and environmental. A round table discussion between the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commissioners

followed and their suggestions were noted and divided by the above categories to be compiled and be used in the preparation of the draft ordinance.

There being no further business, Mayor Mike Felix, moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.


Chairman
Secretary