

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
MARCH 1, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a special meeting on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at 8:00 AM at The Core Multi-Purpose Room, 234 Parkway Blvd, Coppell, TX 75019. Those present were: Mayor Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor Pro Tem Brett Franks, Councilmember Michelle Howarth, Councilmember Frank Millsap, Councilmember Chance Lindsey, Councilmember Lindsay Buhler, Councilmember Matt Prestenberg.

A. Meeting Opening

1. Call to Order: The City Council of the City of Sachse will hold a special meeting on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at 8:00 AM to consider the following items of business:

Mayor Bickerstaff called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM.

B. Discussion Items

These items are for Council and staff to discuss as needed. Public comment is not permitted on this agenda.

1. Discuss leadership development, strategic planning, and the development of goals and objectives for the City of Sachse's strategic plan which include planning, economic development, and transportation.

Ms. Nash introduced the consultants and explained that this retreat is an opportunity to discuss the mission, vision, and strategies for the City. Facilitators, Darren Coffey and Dr. Scott Baker from the Berkley Group, explained that the goal for the day is to lay the foundation for the City's next strategic plan. They noted that the process used is a time-tested method to provide a meaningful plan. They led the Council through different exercises to evaluate where Sachse is now and where it is going in the future.

Jason Hughes, of the City's financial advisor, Hilltop Securities, led a discussion related to finances within the City. The group talked about options for potential Capital Improvement Project (CIP) funding. The options presented would not increase the city's property tax rate.

Ms. Nash reviewed the status of the Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone (TIF/TIRZ) #1. The Zone will automatically terminate in 2028, however, there is an opportunity to terminate the Zone earlier as it has served its original purpose and the funds could be redirected back into the General Fund. She proposed a closure process and, upon Council's direction, staff will move forward to bring an ordinance for Council to discuss and consider in April. She also provided updates and an overview of the Service Center, compensation study, buildout/organizational shifts, the comprehensive plan, and a Parks Master Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Brett Franks left the meeting at 1 PM.

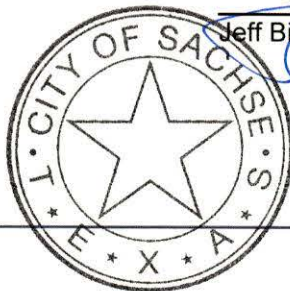
Mr. Baker and Mr. Coffey took the Council through different exercises to brainstorm and hone goals and priorities for the city in the areas of capital needs/infrastructure, City services, financing/budget/funding, and economic development. They reviewed implementation considerations and next steps. Ms. Nash and Councilmembers provided their final thoughts.

C. Adjournment

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the meeting at 2:54 PM.

ATTEST:


Leah K Granger, City Secretary




Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor