



City of Farmers Branch Special Meeting Minutes City Council

Farmers Branch City Hall
13000 Wm Dodson Pkwy
Farmers Branch, Texas
75234

November 1, 2022

4:00 PM

City Hall - Study Session Room

Absent: Mayor Robert Dye

Present: Council Member Omar Roman, Council Member Michael Driskill, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Traci Williams, Council Member Richard Jackson, Mayor Pro Tem David Merritt (*remote*)

Staff: Interim City Manager John Land, Assistant City Manager Ben Williamson, City Attorney Pete Smith, Director of Human Resources Brian Beasley, Director of Communications Jeff Brady, and City Secretary Stacy Henderson

CALL TO ORDER - SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Merritt called the special meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Interim City Manager John Land announced that Mayor Dye submitted his resignation on October 31, 2022. The resignation becomes effective after eight (8) days, or if the Council calls a special meeting to accept the resignation. Mr. Land further explained that Council had the authority to appoint a candidate as Mayor to fill the unexpired term until May 2023. An item would be placed on the November 15 City Council agenda for consideration.

A. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A.1 Council may convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074 Personnel Deliberation, of the Texas Government Code To deliberate the appointment, assignment, and duties of the Interim City Manager.

The City Council convened into Executive Session at 4:02 p.m. and reconvened from Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Williams noted that Agenda Item B.2 outlined below would be removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed at the November 15, 2022 City Council meeting.

B.2 Consider approving Resolution No. 2022-145 appointing Benjamin Williamson as Interim City Manager for the City of Farmers Branch; and take appropriate action.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Williams, seconded by Council Member Driskill to approve Consent Agenda Items B.1 and B.3 outlined below. The motion passed with the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Roman, Council Member Driskill, Council Member Jackson, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Williams, and Mayor Pro Tem Merritt

B.1 Consider approving Resolution No. 2022-149 authorizing an agreement with John Land for Interim City Manager Services for the period of November 2, 2022 through December 2, 2022; and take appropriate action.

- B.3 Consider adopting Ordinance No. 3775 ordering a special election to be held on January 21, 2023 to elect a Councilmember to fill a vacancy for the unexpired term for Councilmember District 3; designating polling places; ordering notices of election to be given; authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute an election agreement with Dallas County; and take appropriate action.**

TAKE ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

There was no action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Approved by: _____
Mayor Pro Tem David Merritt

Signed by: _____
Stacy Henderson, City Secretary