

September 27, 2018

The Graham City Council met in a SPECIAL CALLED MEETING in the Council Chambers at the Graham Visitor and Business Center, 608 Elm Street, Graham, Texas at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 27, 2018 with the following members present:

MEMBERS:	Mayor:	Neal Blanton
	Mayor Pro-Tem:	Darby Brockway
	Council Member:	Brint Albritton
		Lee Boyd
		Kyle Peavy
	City Manager:	Brandon Anderson
	City Secretary:	Sharon McFadden
	City Attorney:	Dan De La Cruz

STAFF AND VISITORS: Thomas Wallner and Sandra Helvey.

ORDER: Mayor Neal Blanton called the meeting to order and discussion began at 9:00 a.m.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON ORDINANCE #1073 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR, ADOPTING A BUDGET ESTIMATE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019:

Brandon said the required public meetings have been held for the proposed budget. Although only two (2) were required, there were three (3) public meetings held. Brandon stated the proposed budget has been on file and available for public view at City Hall since August 20, 2018 which is thirty (30) days prior to the September 20, 2018 meeting. Brandon stated the City's charter requires unanimous vote and once adopted, the budget will go into effect on October 1, 2018. Kyle Peavy said, "I am FOR." Darby Brockway said, "I am FOR." Brint Albritton said, "I am FOR." Lee Boyd said, "I am FOR." Ordinance #1073 for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget was unanimously adopted as required by Local Government Code §102.007.

CONSIDER AND ACT ON ORDINANCE #1074 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR, FIXING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE CITY OF GRAHAM FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019:

Brandon stated the public hearings for the proposed tax rate have occurred. Council needs to adopt the tax rate at 0.658126 which is the same rate as the 2017-2018 approved tax rate. Brandon said that during the last budget meeting (September 13, 2018) that an item needed clarification. Brandon mentioned that he visited with Thomas Wallner of the Graham Leader regarding an article published in the newspaper that said the City's budget reflects a \$550,000 increase. Brandon stated the airport project, more capital expenditures that are more than normal, which includes \$100,000 on the fire truck and \$80,000 to \$90,000. Brandon said when adding those two or three items together, it results in the inflated number in the overall general fund. Brandon said they are either funded through a capital loan or through funds that will be received so it is an increase in overall spending, but it is covered. Kyle Peavy made the required Tax Code §26.05 statement of "I move that the property tax rate be adopted for 0.658126, which is effectively the same rate as the adopted tax rate for the 2017-2018 previous fiscal year." Kyle Peavy said, "I am FOR." Darby Brockway said, "I am FOR." Brint Albritton said, "I am FOR." Ordinance #1074 for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Tax Levy was approved according to the requirements of Tax Code §26.05.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.


Neal Blanton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon McFadden, City Secretary