

**CITY OF HESSTON
RECONVENED CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of July 18, 2018

Council Meeting No. 11

The reconvened meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Council members Larry Fuqua, Jason Jones, Susan Swartzendruber, Clare Moore, City Administrator Gary Emry and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor David Kauffman presiding. A quorum was present.

ABSENT

Council Member Brad Unruh

OTHERS PRESENT

Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee Members: Susan Lamb, Richard Drake, Ben Proctor, James Krehbiel and Dean Leatherman; facilitator Terry Woodbury and guest observer Gary Munn.

STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW

Facilitator Terry Woodbury led the participants through a discussion of the following agenda topics:

AD HOC PRIORITY ISSUES/THEMES – BASED ON JUNE 6TH COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

1. Develop the 22 acres (former mobile home park) to include affordable housing and retail
2. Create a center for community gatherings/events
3. Beautify downtown
4. Convene key public square players to design “common/shared” community strategies (e.g. Agco, Excel, USD 460, Hesston College, City Government)

ADDITIONAL GOALS FROM CITY COUNCIL

1. Entryway Beautification (from previous strategic plan) – Council Member Jason Jones
2. Grocery Store – Council Member Clare Moore
3. Economy with subset action items – Mayor Dave Kauffman
4. Downtown Beautification (from previous strategic plan) – City Administrator Gary Emry

OTHER COMMENTS / GOALS

1. Refine goals with subsets and clarification – Ad Hoc Committee Member Dean Leatherman
2. Visual cohesion in public areas – Ad Hoc Committee Member Susan Lamb

CHALLENGES WITH ANY PROPOSED GOAL

It was the consensus of the group that the proposed goals were all attainable.

NEXT STEPS AND TIMELINE

Facilitator Terry Woodbury explained that the Ad Hoc Committee would take the additional goals discussed at the meeting and combine them into the list of goals from the June 6th Community Conversation. The updated list would be presented to the community at another Community Conversation to take place on September 11th. After the additional community input, the final draft of strategic plan goals would be developed by the Ad Hoc Committee and presented to the Council for final edits and adoption at a future council meeting.

Ad Hoc Committee Member James Krehbiel and Council Member Jason Jones left at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURN

At 6:50 p.m. Larry Fuqua moved to adjourn the current meeting. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk