



MINUTES
Prosper Town Council Work Session
Prosper Town Hall – Council Chambers
250 W. First Street, Prosper, Texas
Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Call to Order/ Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Mayor David F. Bristol
Mayor Pro-Tem Craig Andres *arrived at 5:08 p.m.*
Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Marcus E. Ray
Councilmember Amy Bartley
Councilmember Chris Kern
Councilmember Jeff Hodges
Councilmember Charles Cotten

Staff Members Present:

Mario Canizares, Town Manager
Michelle Lewis Sirianni, Town Secretary
Terry Welch, Town Attorney
Bob Scott, Deputy Town Manager
Robyn Battle, Executive Director
Chuck Ewings, Assistant Town Manager
Hulon Webb, Engineering Director
Chris Landrum, Finance Director
Ryan Patterson, Assistant Director of Finance
James Edwards, Director of Human Resources
Dan Baker, Parks and Recreation Director
David Hoover, Development Services Director
Whitney Rehm, Grants Administrator
Lindy Higginbotham, Senior Engineer
Stuart Blasingame, Fire Chief
Scott Brewer, Assistant Police Chief

Items for Individual Consideration

1. Discuss the preliminary 2023-2024 fiscal year Budget. (RBS)

Mr. Landrum introduced the item indicating topics of discussion.

Mr. Edwards provided a preliminary overview of salary benchmarks for Police, Fire, and general employees based on comparison cities along with cost projections.

The Town Council discussed if the steps were calculated for Police and Fire, whether to consider looking at each individual position versus an across-the-board approach for adjustments, if performance evaluations are conducted, and the impact of any changes. The Town Council requested for the Finance Subcommittee to meet to evaluate the impacts based on looking at each individual position and reducing the steps within Police and Fire.

Mr. Landrum presented considerations for Public Arts funding including potential funding sources, typical categories of each, and administration of such funds. Town Council consensus was not to pursue a public art program at this time due to the priority on road and infrastructure projects. The Council agreed to consider appointing a Public Art Committee to study the issue at some point in the future. Councilmembers were generally not in favor of using bond funds for public art projects, but there was support for using cell tower lease and/or hotel occupancy tax revenue if a program were to be implemented.

Mr. Landrum also presented considerations for Not-for-profit funding. He highlighted organizations currently within the Town of Prosper, and examples of what to include when managing these types of funds.

The Town Council discussed organizations currently within the Town that are supported by various events and how to determine participation within each one, as well as having an event in the spring where all organization are brought together. The Town Council requested staff to gather inventory/information of how the Town currently participates with each organization in order to provide back to the Town Council.

Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 11th day of July 2023.

APPROVED:

David F. Bristol

David F. Bristol, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Lewis Sirianni

Michelle Lewis Sirianni, Town Secretary

