

City of Eden
Public Hearing- Tax Rate

The city council of the City of Eden met in a public hearing on Tuesday September 4, 2012 in the council chambers of City Hall.

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham
Mayor Pro Tem Butch Williams
Councilmember Grover Hall

Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch
Councilmember Shelley Hyles

City Staff/Appointed Officials

City Administrator Celina Hemmeter
Economic Development Coordinator Kathy Keane

Public Hearing

Mayor Markham called the public hearing to order at 5:00 p.m. An invocation was given with respect paid to Councilperson Ronnie Sanders who passed away September 3.

Lin Spiser and Claire Marie Turner were present to discuss the tax rate. Mayor Markham explained the tax rate and encouraged the public to attend meetings to stay informed.

Business

Kay Howard of A & J Howco Inc. filled Council in on the situation with the contractor for the HOME program, Legends Contracting, and the steps that were taken when he turned back the contract. Chris Krepps and Jerry Howard were also available from A & J Howco to answer any questions as well as Jerry Reiner with Ameriway Construction, the next lowest bidder on the project.

Kay explained the difference that would result from the change in contractors would be the elimination of the two car garage which would be replaced by a one car carport with a parking pad. Also to make the project feasible, Ameriway Construction was asking the City to cover the first draw amount which would be reimbursed by the HOME program to the City- \$153,000.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to rescind the contract with Legends Contracting seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Gierisch made a motion to award the bid to Ameriway Construction seconded by Councilperson Williams, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to pay the initial draw for construction from reserve funds of \$153,000 to be reimbursed by the HOME program seconded by Councilperson Gierisch, motion carried with Councilperson Williams voting against.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Eddy Markham

Celina Hemmeter, City Administrator