

**MINUTES
CITY OF JOSEPHINE – CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2018**

Mayor Joe Holt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: Mayor Joe Holt, Doug Ewing, Katrina Heifner-Donihoo, Cedric Powell & Jason Turney

Council members absent: Brian Suhr

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Holt

Invocation: Katrina Heifner-Donihoo

Doug Ewing made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Katrina Heifner-Donihoo. All in favor, the motion carried.

Open Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Receive public comments regarding the zone change request from the property owners of 610 E. Cook St., Josephine, Texas. Request is to change 1 ½ acres from SF-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial District) to allow for a convenience store and fuel station.

There were approximately 25 people present.

City Attorney, Robert Dillard and City Engineer, Eddy Daniel were present.

Bill Thomas, engineer for the property owners spoke and explained what they are requesting.

Residents that signed in to speak:

For:

John McManus

Gene Gay

Lloyd Brown

Against:

Sharon Newton

Lisa Westbrook

Jane Ridgway

Kym Curry

Barbara Newton

Andrew Littlefield

Close Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m. The Council took a break and went into Executive Session with City Attorney, Robert Dillard.

Meeting was reconvened at 7:49 p.m.

Jason Turney made a motion to approve the request to amend the zoning on 1 ½ acres of the property located at 610 E. Cook Street from SF-1 to C-2. Seconded by Doug Ewing. Katrina Heifner-Donihoo and Cedric Powell voted in favor. Motion carried.

Oath of Office administered to newly elected officers by the City Secretary.

Joe Holt – Mayor

Becca Lutjen – Place 3

Jason Turney – Place 5

Feedback: Most vehicles average 15mph with very few observed even close to posted speed limit. Participant remarked that it has been a positive experience and participant has been surprised to see most vehicles were within speed limit even though they appeared to be speeding with the naked eye.

Code Enforcement:

Total Notices of Violation Issued: 40

Initial notices: 28

Second notices: 10

Third notices: 1

Final notices: 1

Violation types:

Fence violations: 1

Junk vehicle: 2

Trash and debris: 7

High grass: 29

No permit: 1

Report from the Mayor:

Peoples Internet still working on bringing something to the next meeting in December.

Doug Ewing made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Seconded by Katrina Heifner-Donihoo. All in favor, the motion carried.

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

Patti Brooks, City Secretary

Joe Holt, Mayor