

**MINUTES**  
**HALTOM CITY COUNCIL AND STAFF BUDGET WORKSHOP**  
**May 15, 2023**

A Budget Workshop by the City Council of the City of Haltom City, Texas, and City Staff was held on May 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 3201 Friendly Lane, with the following members present:

Mayor An Truong

Mayor Pro Tem Linda Thompson

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Marian Hilliard

Council Place 4 Eric Morris

Council Member Place 5 Susan Soule

Council Place 7 Don Cooper

Council Member Pl. 2 Tiffany Chandler and Council Member Pl. 7 Kyle Smith were absent.

Staff Present: Rex Phelps, City Manager; Sidonna Foust, Assistant City Manager; Art Camacho, City Secretary; Stormy Johnson, Finance Director; Toni Beckett, Human Resources and Risk Management Director; Brian Jacobs, Fire Chief; Christi Pruitt, Parks and Recreation Director; Erica Gill, Library Director; Hikmat Qaddoura, Budget Analyst; Selina McBeth, Assistant Finance Director; Glenna Batchelor, Planning and Community Development Director; Daniel Northern, Fleet Services Supervisor; Robert Shiflett, Police Captain; Dave Klopfenstein, IT Director; Elise Loftis, Assistant Finance Director; Fred Napp, Deputy Fire Chief; Ron Foreman, Police Captain; Steve Irvin, Police Captain; David Cummings, Assistant Public Works Director; Laura Weger, Computer Support Technician, and Greg Van Nieuwenhuize, Public Works Director.

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Truong called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**DISCUSSION**

Discussion on Strategic Planning, Upcoming Budgetary Items, and Short and Long Term Goals – City Manager Phelps gave a brief review of street improvements, and then presented a PowerPoint addressing the Mission and Vision Statement, key steps to strategic planning, current strategic goals involving commercial and retail, employee compensation and maintaining a relationship-driven culture, promoting and supporting community safety and security, practicing fiscal responsibility, utilizing performance measures, build and maintain partnerships with non-profit sectors for advancing and beautifying the City, address critical facility and infrastructure needs, and implement technology solutions. A discussion was held regarding the sewer rate increases, diversity in the strategic planning, and the Crossroads newsletter being used to spur community knowledge and involvement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Truong thanked everyone and adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:



Art Camacho, City Secretary

An M. Truong, Mayor