City of Cottonwood Shores

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Cottonwood Shores will be holding a public hearing on September 5, 1991 at 8:00 p.m. at the City Hall to review the City of Cottonwood Shores proposed budget and set the tax rate for 1991. All citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting. Copies of the proposed budget are available at City Hall, 3915 Cottonwood Drive.

Agenda

- 1. Public discussion of proposed budget for 1991-92.
- 2. Set the tax rate for 1991.

Respectfully,

Shirley Pitts

City Secretary/Clerk

I certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board located at 3915 Cottonwood Drive and that the Highlander was notified this 3rd day of September, 1991 at 5:00 p.m..

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The City of Cottonwood Shores Commissioners convened in a Public Hearing, Thursday, September 5, 1991 at 8:18 p.m. Those present were Joseph Beyer, Mayor: Adrian Gawlik, Commissioner I and Mike Butler, Commissioner II.

AGENDA

- 1. Joe Beyer suggested discussion of Item #2 first. He suggested that we should keep the tax rate the same as last year. Mike made a motion to keep the tax rate the same. Adrian 2nd the motion. Motion was carried.
- 2. Discussion of Item #1. Joseph Beyer advised that there were some changes in some of the budget figures. He said he would get the corrected budget figures together and make a new budget and have it ready for the next meeting.

 There was discussion as to why mess with the rate structure. Stay with current rate structure until next regular meeting. It accompany the first Bill 2 change.

 Joe advised there was a Water Committee being formed to handle any problems an organizational meeting.
- 3. Jim Wilson, a resident, said the budget figure was low for the 1991-92 year for Administrative costs. Mike said it was broken down to the different departments. Joe explained that a certain percentage is charged to various departments.

 Joe advised that Shirley Pitts will be gone September 10-13, 1991.

Joe advised that Fritz Bruns has a water meter that is used to get water to their cattle when the lake is low. There is no residence on the land. They do not feel they should have to pay for garbage. There will be a formal request at the next meeting to request a variance for the garbage fee to be waived.

Mike Butler advised there is a CAPCO meeting next Wednesday, September 11, 1991. He will make the effort to go to the meeting.

Adrian Gawlik made a motion to adjourn. Mike 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m..

Respectfully,

Shirley Pitts City Secretary Joseph Beyer, Mayor

September 5, 1991 Jim Wilson

Water/Darbage Changes

Reduce the re-connect fee to \$25.00. We should continue the policy of pulling a meter when a house becomes vacant if it is in our best interest to do so. However, the lower fee would more closely reflect our actual cost of pulling and re-installing a meter.

Implement a "Vacation Rate" for both water and garbage which would apply to individuals who are away for extended hospital stays or vacations; to rental properties which often are vacant for several consecutive months, and for individuals who live elsewhere and spend time at their Cottonwood residence at irregular intervals. However, some conditions would apply:

- 1. The City must be notified at least five (5) working days prior to the beginning of the month to which the rate first applies. This notification is required so that the City is not obligated to pay BFI for this account.
- 2. The rates would apply only for months in which less than 50 gallons of water is registered by the meter. It becomes the responsibility of the homeowner to assure that no water use results from leaks in his piping or plumbing facility defects. If more than 50 gallons of water is registered, the homeowner will be billed at the normal rate for both water and garbage for that month.

The "Vacation Rates" would be \$10.00 per month for water and \$2.50 per month for garbage. These will cover our imbedded water system costs and the administrative overhead of the garbage service.

If acceptable, I recommend that we place amendment of the water and garbage ordinances on the agenda for the next regular meeting to implement these rates. The rates could be made retroactive to October 1, and refunds or future credits be provided for individuals who have overpaid prior to passage of the amendments.

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