

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF ANDERSON §
CITY OF PALESTINE §

The City Council of the City of Palestine, Texas convened in a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, February 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas, with the following people present:

Steve Presley, Mayor
Larissa Ray Loveless, Councilwoman
Vickey L. Chivers, Councilwoman
Joe Baxter, Councilman
Dana Goolsby, Councilwoman
Ann Connor, Councilwoman

Michael Hornes, City Manager
Teresa D. Herrera, City Secretary

Others present: Public Works Director Tim Perry, PEDC Director Gayle Cooper, and other interested citizens;
with the following member absent: Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell Jordan.

Call to Order

With a quorum present, Mayor Presley called the Town Hall Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council will hear from the citizens about their ideas on what the Old Memorial Hospital property should be used for.

Mayor Presley recognized the Councilmembers in attendance. Mayor Presley asked that anyone wishing to speak to do so.

The following spoke: Julie Abston, David Braun, Dr. Ellen Weber, Linda Williams, Vanessa Lara, Bill Fraser, Alex Nemer, Marci Myers, Alex Clamon, Cloe Wright, Jack Coleman, and Barbara Jordan.

Most residents that spoke favored housing to fit within the historic district; others spoke of a pecan orchard, a park, or to do nothing with the property right now; also, they asked that Council schedule another town hall meeting to allow others to attend and be heard.

City Manager Hornes thanked all the citizens that attended the meeting and clarified that the City will not and does not have the resources to build houses.

Council thanked all the citizens who took time to attend the meeting.

Adjourn

With no other business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018.

Steve Presley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa Herrera, City Secretary