



**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

**AUGUST 8, 2018**

On August 8, 2018, a special meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 3:00 p.m., at City Hall, Council Chambers, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, 411 W. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Odessa, Texas.

Council members present: Mayor David R. Turner; Council members: Malcolm Hamilton, District One; Barbara Graff, District Three; and Filiberto Gonzales, District Five.

Council members absent: Dewey Bryant, District Two and Michael Gardner, District Four.

Others present: Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Michael Marrero, City Manager; Gary Landers, Interim City Attorney; Cindy Muncy, Interim Assistant City Manager; other members of City staff; and members of the news media.

A quorum being present, Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were held:

The invocation was given by Mayor Turner and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

**RESOLUTION**

**Resolution No. 2018R-62 – Open a public hearing to consider proposal to establish a maximum tax rate of \$0.476601 for Fiscal Year 2019.** Mrs. Muncy proposed that a maximum tax rate of \$0.476601 per \$100 valuation for fiscal year 2018-19. The proposed rate was higher than the effective rate of \$0.450791 but lower than the rollback tax rate of \$0.476602. It represented a decrease of \$0.016647 cents compared to last year's adopted tax rate of \$0.493248. Due to the proposed tax rate being greater than the effective tax rate, public hearings will be held on August 28, 2018 and September 11, 2018. The final vote on the proposed tax rate will occur on September 25, 2018. She read the resolution.

Council member Hamilton asked how it would affect the citizens with a fixed income. Mrs. Muncy provided information on the average home as \$129,053 for this year. The new homes and increased values of homes raised the tax amount. It would have \$2.33 increase for an average home. She stated that the citizens who meet the exemption requirements would have a decrease in the tax.

Motion was made by Council member Gonzales and seconded by Council member Graff to approve the resolution. The motion was approved by a 2 – 1 vote with Council member Hamilton casting the nay vote. There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC  
City Secretary

David R. Turner  
Mayor

