

**City of Newark City Council Budget Workshop
Saturday, Sept 16, 2017**

1. Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present.

Mayor Gary Van Wagner called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and announce a quorum was present. Those present were: Mayor Gary Van Wagner, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Wondolowski, Councilmember Eric Fleischer, Councilmember Chris Raines, Public Works Director William Allen, Assistant Director of Public Works Jaret Holmes, and City Administrator Diane Rasor.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Van Wagner delivered the invocation and led the pledge to the flag.

A gentleman gave a brief overview of an automatic meter reading system that would cost \$85,000 for the first five years, and \$37,000 to maintain every year after that.

3. Executive Session – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 51.001, et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following: Section 551.071 (1), (2): to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:

- **Evaluation of Assistant Public Works Director Jaret Homes, evaluation of Public Works Director William, and evaluation of the City Administrator Diane Rasor**

The Council adjourned into executive session at 8:15 a.m. and returned to open session at 9:00 a.m. Even though requested, the employees were not allowed to attend executive session. When Council returned to open session Mayor Van Wagner stated there would be no raises this year due to the City wanting to spend the money in other areas. There were no reviews of the employees.

4. Budget Workshop – Discussion on the proposed revenues, expenditures, capital improvement projects for the 2017 – 2018 year.

City Administrator Diane Rasor reviewed the cuts she has been requested to make in order to keep the tax rate the same as last year's tax rate.

5. Adjourn. – The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.



Gary Van Wagner, Mayor

11.15.2017

Date



Diane Rasor, City Administrator