## MINUTES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING January 22, 2024 1:00 PM

The following elected officials were present: Mayor Beaty, Alderman Cloninger, Alderman Milton, Alderman Withers, and Alderman Martin. Alderman Cearley was absent.

The following Staff members were present: Maria Stroupe, Town Manager; Ben Blackburn, Interim Town Manager; Robbie Walls, Police Chief; Jonathan Newton, Finance Director; Bill Trudnak, Public Works Director; Willie Smith, Electric Director; Earl Withers, Fire Chief; Alex Wallace, Recreation Director; Sarah Ballard, HR Director/Town Clerk; Barry Webb, Grant Manager; Zack Foreman, Assistant Public Works Director; Lindsey Tysinger, Planner, Dusty Haney, Assistant Fire Chief; and Matt Kanupp, Assistant Fire Chief.

Mayor Beaty called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and made opening remarks concerning the upcoming budget process.

Ms. Stroupe went over current budget information and cost increases that are being experienced by Dallas due to rising inflation that will impact the FY 2024-25 budget.

Discussion was held concerning priorities in equipment purchases, and potential projects. These discussions provide the framework for the Finance Director and Town Manager to form a proposed FY 2023-24 budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Hayley Beaty, Mayor

Sarah Ballard, Town Clerk