CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO

Workshop – Monday, January 4, 2011

Minutes

Mayor Montgomery read the following:

NOTICE is hereby given that the Truth or Consequences City Commission will hold a Workshop on Monday, January 4, 2011 at 6:00 P.M., in the Commission Chambers, 405 W. Third, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico to discuss the following:

1. Discussion – Vision and Mission Statement, Budgetary Goals for FY 2011/2012

City Manager Weiser stated in researching it has been several years since the Vision and Mission Statement had been reviewed, and the currents Vision and Mission Statements were read by City Manager Weiser.

He stated that the Vision Statement should outline goals, and the Mission Statement would support and define such.

Commissioner Torres stated he had no problem with the statements, and then asked...what do they have to work with, and indicated they have project started but not finished.

City Manager Weiser suggested that the Commission review the current statements, and to consider revising them.

Commissioner Green...referred to the Vision Statement...last line, improves the quality of life, and possibly using the word **enhances** and where do they find the money.

Commissioner Renfro stated that they provide the best services that they can.

After several suggestions of wording the Vision Statement for the City of Truth or Consequences:

As a team, we strive to provide service, and enhance the quality of life for all citizens in our community.

Mission Statement for the City of Truth or Consequences:

The City of Truth or Consequences strives to provide efficient, economical services to our community through sound financial management while establishing measurable goals for sustainable growth.

City Manager Weiser wanted to know what goals they would like to achieve for 2011-2012.

Commissioner Torres again emphasized he would like to see currents project's completed such as the swimming pool, lighting of the ball fields, tennis courts and Commissioner Renfro also indicated the hydrology study.

Commissioner Renfro also stated the need of water lines that

need replacing the water tanks, and the wastewater system.

Commissioner Green stated one of his priorities would be the hiring of a grant writer/administrator.

Mayor Montgomery agreed and that was high priority on her list, and the possibility of reorganization of staff.

Commissioner Green also suggested working with other municipalities for the possibility of saving on supplies by bulk purchasing.

He stated they need to promote the City using stricter code enforcement for community pride and downtown beautification.

Mayor Montgomery also stressed more effective code enforcement for buildings and for business incentives.

Commissioner Renfro also emphasized on code enforcement, possibly dividing the City, and cross training of employees.

Commissioner Luna stated she would like to see more efficient interdepartmental communication, and felt this could help with code enforcement for other employees to report violations.

Mayor Montgomery agreed with cross-training, and possibly having a check-list for employees out in the field who could report violations to the code enforcement officer.

Complete authorized projects: Ball field lighting, tennis courts, pool cover and hydrology study.

The Commission compiled several goals which are listed:

Infrastructure/Growth

Water line replacement

Sewer plant upgrades

Grant writer/Administrator

Re-organization of staff

Code Enforcement

Building Inspector

Downtown beautification

Comprehensive Plan Update

Quarterly reports from sub-recipients & Lodgers Tax

Business incentives

Downtown center plaza

Grants to redo entrances & signage for the City

Review Ordinances

Training for all Boards & Commissioners

Hiring Tourism Director – Hospitality for T or C

Street Upgrades

Solar Plant

Landfill issues

Downtown drainage issues

In-house Utility Billing

Staff training – Customer service

Work with adjoining municipalities – For bulk ordering supplies

Explore public transportation

Enforcing existing codes

City Manager Weiser stated he would provide a list for the

	Commission to review, and in the future scheduling a town hall meeting to receive input from the public on goals they would like to see.
ADJOURNMENT:	There being no further business to come before the Commission the workshop was adjourned.
APPROVAL:	PASSED AND APPROVED this day of, 2011 on motion Commissioner seconded by Commissioner and carried.
	LORI MONTGOMERY, MAYOR ATTEST:
	MARY B. PENNER, CITY CLERK