TOWN COUNCIL RETREAT MINUTES
Thursday, January 28, 2016

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL
Mayor Nichols called the special Council meeting for the month of January to order at 4:32 p.m. at Woodway Town Hall, 23920 113th Place West. Councilmembers William Anderson, Kent Saltonstall, Tom Whitson, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Tom Howard were present. Town Administrator Eric Faison and Town Planner Bill Trimm were also present.

WOODWAY MUNICIPAL URBAN GROWTH AREA – GENERAL DISCUSSION
Town Planner Bill Trimm explained the process for review of the proposed Upper Bluff development and annexation. Discussion followed.

LONG-TERM FINANCES
The Council discussed the town's finances and its long-range financial forecast. They reviewed the town's previous ballot measure, which provided for a 44% increase in the town's property taxes. This "levy lid lift" was overwhelmingly approved by the voters in August 2009. They discussed the appropriate timing for returning to voters with a new levy lid lift request – August or November 2016, or sometime in 2017.

The Council indicated a preference for 2016 at a lower rate than would be required in 2017. They directed staff to provide additional information on the timing of revenue collection for an August or November 2016 ballot measure.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSION-CHOICE OF SUBJECTS:
Council discussed whether and how to provide residents with an update on the Upper Bluff, Point Wells, and town finances.
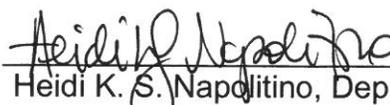
AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION
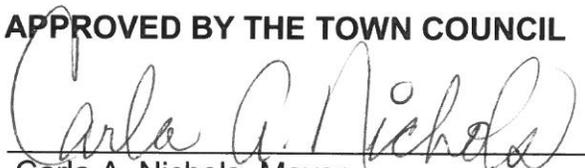The Council did not hold an executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:
Councilmember Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting. *Councilmember Whitson* seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,   APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

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Heidi K. S. Napolitino, Deputy Clerk   Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

(These minutes accurately reflect what was said at the Council Meeting. Publication does not vouch for the veracity of these statements.)