

**City of Fulshear**

**STATEMENT ON COURT RULING OF JANUARY 11, 2017**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Contrary to Social Media postings by certain MUD Board Representatives, the City's Chapter 1205 Lawsuit has not been "thrown out". The attached Court's Ruling clearly states that the Court has the jurisdiction to determine validity and legality of the City's ability to issue debt. Therefore the City will proceed with a trial on the Merits of this issue this coming Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

As stated before, it is the City's position to provide you, the Citizens of Fulshear the infrastructure and services you need in a manner that provides security for the City's financial future. We understand the tremendous tax burden the residents of Cross Creek Ranch and Fulbrook on Fulshear Creek live under and find it ironic that certain MUD Board Members cast aspersions on the City's "waste", especially when the property Taxes levied by the Districts are exponentially higher than those levied by the City. MUD residents should be asking:

Why are their taxes so high? Why do my taxes include charges for Maintenance and Operation Taxes when the City operates the systems? Why has finding the Financial information for the MUD's been so difficult? And why does the MUD fail to meet in a transparent manner?

At the end of the day, we are all citizens of Fulshear and therefore part of a Commonwealth who share the burden of building, maintaining and improving our community. This principle of Commonwealth is the cornerstone of civilized Western society and the idea of a "city within a City" is anathema to the principles on which the United States and Texas were founded. The City would remind everyone that the motto of our great land is "E pluribus Unum".

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