

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTY OF FORT BEND *

CITY OF RICHMOND *

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in regular session on November 17, 2008 at 4:30 P. M., with the following members present:

HILMAR G. MOORE, MAYOR
WILLIAM H. DOSTAL, SR., COMMISSIONER
JIM GONZALES, COMMISSIONER

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 4:30 P. M. The Commission presented an employee service award to Jose Medina for ten years of service with the City.

A workshop was held to discuss funding for city projects. The North Second Wastewater Plant Project and the Lamar Drive Project were discussed. Mayor Moore said the City should “go forward with the wastewater project” using available funds “and look again at selling bonds” for the Lamar Drive Project “in two or three months”.

A workshop was held to discuss the City’s Storm Water Management Program. Llarrence Turner from the City Engineer’s Office gave an overview of the program and explained the federal requirements. He asked for any comments from the audience. There were no comments.

The Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the regular meeting held October 16, 2008. The Fire Department reports for September and October, the Police Department report, the Municipal Court report, the tax report, and the monthly financial report were reviewed and unanimously approved by the Commission.

The next meeting date was set by the Commission for December 15, 2008 at 4:30 p.m.

The Commission reviewed a request from Historic Richmond Association to waive the street closing permit fees for “Miracle on Morton Street” festival. Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve the waiver, Commisisoner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

Mayor Moore introduced an ordinance to amend the 2007-2008 city budget. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve the ordinance and Commissioner Gonzales seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2008-12 with a heading as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF RICHMOND ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2007 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008.

The Commission reviewed requests for extension of plat approvals for Riverway Reserve, Dry Creek Reserve, Dry Creek Reserve Section 1 and Section 2. The vote was unanimous to approve the extensions.

The Commission reviewed an amended plat for Smith-Harrell Properties Subdivision. Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve the plat, Commissioner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed a replat of Lots 8-14, Block 136, Richmond, for Habitat for Humanity. Upon motion from Gonzales, seconded by Dostal, motion carried and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed locations of signs for the agreement with National Sign Plazas, Inc. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve the locations as printed on the map, Commissioner Gonzales seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed employee insurance renewals for 2009. It was unanimously agreed to renew with Blue Cross Blue Shield as recommended by the consultant and the City Employee Insurance Committee.

The Commission unanimously agreed to appoint City Manager Glen Gilmore as hearing officer for the public hearings on annexations to be held on November 24 and November 25, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

The Commission recognized Tere Vela for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Hilmar G. Moore, Mayor

Attest:

Mona Matak, City Secretary

