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The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Regular Session on February 19, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Moore proceeded to call the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor
Jesse Torres, Commissioner P1
Barry Beard, Commissioner P2
Carl Drozd, Commissioner P3
Josh Lockhart, Commissioner P4
Terri Vela, City Manager
Gary Smith, City Attorney
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A2, Excuse from Attendance. There were no absences for Regular Commission Meetings to be explained. The agenda item was closed.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A3, Presentations with Employee Recognition for Service with the City.

Donney Guebarra, 15 years of service, Fire Department. Not present.

Presentation of the 2017 Racial Profiling Report under Article 2.132 of Texas Code of Criminal Procedure by Alex Del Carmen and take action on the 2017 Racial Profiling Report under Article 2.132 of Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. Chief Gary Adams introduced Mr. Alex Del Carmen with Del Carmen Consulting, LLC. Mr. Del Carmen stated that the City of Richmond Police Department was in compliance with filing the Texas House Bill 3389 and Sandra Bland Act. There have been drastic changes this year which the Commission will see with the size of the report and the number of tables. The audits will be conducted on a quarterly basis versus an annual basis. Mr. Del Carmen has trained 17,000 officers since 2007 regarding racial profiling. Chief Adams brought Del Carmen Consulting on board to insure the City of Richmond Police Department would be in compliance. In 2017, the City of Richmond received **ZERO** complaints with regards to racial profiling which is **Outstanding**. The different

percentages were reviewed which were in line with Fort Bend County and the entire state of Texas. Commissioner Drozd asked if the report could be modified to reflect the arrests or stops that were actually for Richmond residents. Chief Adams stated that he would review and add to the report if possible. The City of Richmond received the 2017 Annual Racial Profiling Report as presented by the Police Chief Gary Adams.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A4, Public Comments. There were no individuals signed up to speak, therefore the agenda item was closed.

Mayor Moore asked if there was any discussion regarding agenda item A5, the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Drozd pulled items A5 (2) and (3) for discussion. Commissioner Beard pulled item A5 (2) and Mayor Moore pulled A5 (10). Commissioner Beard moved to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda items with Commissioner Drozd seconding the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A5 (2) Commissioner Drozd wished to applaud the efforts of Division Chief Curtis Campbell for reaching out to a new EMS continuing education provider that would assist the firemen. Commissioner Drozd suggested that all of the departments be looking for better ways to train their employees and that less expensive is not always better. Operations Chief Derek Brown was available for questions. Commissioner Beard stated he would address his issues directly.

Agenda item A5 (3) Commissioner Drozd commended the police department for including the street lights that are out on the officer beat reports. This is part of safety and security and it is appreciated.

Agenda item A5 (10) The Mayor inquired as to staff recommendations "Revise to comply; (2) The City of Richmond prefers a new street name for the knuckle cul-de-sac on Vidalia Onion Lane in Block No. 4." City Planner Jessica Duet stated the verbiage would be changed from "new" to "additional" street names.

Commissioner Beard made the motion to approve consent agenda item A5 (1), (2) and (10) with Commissioner Lockhart seconding the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A6, to review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 221-2018, Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Fort Bend County. City Manager Terri Vela stated there are three candidates for position 1 and two candidates for position 3. The Election Contract received from the County exhibit A inadvertently reflects the Primary Election Day Voting Centers for March 5, 2018 and will need to be replaced with the May 5, 2018 Polling Places. Commissioner Beard made the motion to approve Resolution No. 221-2018, Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Fort Bend County with the amendments to the contract. Commissioner Lockhart seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A7 to review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 222-2018, adopting a FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan. Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Burciaga addressed the Commission stating the Code of Federal Regulations requires the City to prepare and adopt a local mitigation plan every five years. Mr. Burciaga stated the enclosed plan did not include the data from the recent Harvey flood disaster. The 2017 Fort Bend County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety can be reviewed in the office of the City Secretary stated City Manager Terri Vela. Commissioner Lockhart made the motion to approve Resolution No. 222-2018, adopting the 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Beard seconded the motion and the vote was 4 “ayes” to approve with no “nays” against. The agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A8 to review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 223-2018, adopting an agreement for public improvement project through the Fort Bend County Community Development Block Grant Program, Phase IX – Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation. Public Works Director Howard Christian addressed the Commission stating the grant application included the installation of sanitary sewer collection line improvements of approximately 3,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer line along Concord, Trenton and Yorktown Streets, manhole rehabilitation and approximately 81 sewer service connections totaling \$289,604. City Manager Vela asked why these funds would be expended on the North side of Richmond of which Director Christian stated “all grant funds have been used for the north side as the qualifications for grants have been for the economically disadvantaged.” The City of Richmond’s responsibilities have been outlined in the agreement. Commissioner Torres inquired if the streets would be affected. Director Christian stated the work is pipe bursting therefore it would all be underground and would have no effect on the streets. Commissioner Beard made the motion to approve Resolution No. 223-2018, adopting an agreement for public improvement through the Fort Bend County Community Development Block Grant Program, Phase IX – Sanitary System Rehabilitation. Commissioner Drozd seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A9 to review and consider taking action on the Resolution No. 224-2018, approving the City Manager’s designation of an acting City Manager during a vacation or temporary voluntary leave. City Manager Terri Vela introduced the agenda item stating the City of Richmond Charter Section 4.01(5) provides for the City Manager to appoint a qualified officer of the City to act as an Acting City Manager during vacation or any temporary voluntary leave of the City Manager. City Manager Vela stated that she would like to designate City Attorney Gary Smith to that position. Vela also pointed out that while City Attorney Smith would be serving as acting City Manager, he would temporarily step down as the City Attorney and any legal advice would be sought by outside counsel. Commissioner Lockhart made the motion to approve the Resolution No. 224-2018, approving the City Manager’s designation of

an acting City Manager during a vacation or temporary voluntary leave and that designation would be Gary W. Smith, City Attorney. Commissioner Drozd seconded the motion and the vote was four “ayes” to approve and no “nays”. The agenda item was closed.

Mayor Moore announced that the Commission would now meet in Executive Session at 5:04 p.m., as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.072; Attorney Consultation for Real Estate matters. Mayor Moore announced that the City Commission adjourns into executive session, closed meeting.

The Commission reconvened into Open Session at 5:20 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Moore declared the meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

APPROVED:



Barry Beard, Mayor, Pro-Tem

Attest:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary