STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND *

CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in regular session on March 15, 2010 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. He presented a proclamation for National Agricultural Week.

There were no employee service awards. Mayor Moore asked for any public comments. There were none. He commented about parking at George Park, stating that "The Commission stands behind what city personnel did concerning the parking problem."

The Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the regular meeting held February 15, 2010. The monthly Fire Department report, the Police Department report, the Municipal Court report, the tax report and the financial report were reviewed by the Commission. Motions for approval were made, seconded, and all reports were unanimously approved by the Commission.

The next meeting date was set by the Commission for April 19, 2010.

The Commission agreed to postpone the ordinance authorizing the issuance of City General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010.

The Commission reviewed a Fire Protection Agreement with Fort Bend County Water Control and Improvement District Number 3. Upon motion form Commissioner Dostal, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales, motion carried and the vote was unanimous to approve the Fire Protection Agreement.

The Commission reviewed an agreement for the City to lease Block 145 from Wessendorff Estate for \$100.00 per year. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve the lease agreement, Commissioner Gonzales seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed the 2010 City Budget to consider cutting some expenses since sales tax revenue was not as high as expected due to the economy. Eliminating any new road work, other than Lamar Drive and the completion of Dudley and Pecan would save about \$156,000. Commissioner Gonzales asked about other areas that could be cut. Finance Director Terri Vela said that not filling open positions would be considered, but did not want to request any adjustments that would affect employees' income. City Engineer Kelly Kaluza suggested that the City could submit an application to CDBG for street work on the north side of town. Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to proceed with the adjustments to the budget for road work as discussed, Commissioner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Single Audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. The auditor gave an update and stated that the "City has a clean set of books". Upon motion from Commissioner Dostal, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales, motion carried and the annual report and single audit were unanimously approved.

The Commission reviewed a request to grant a hardship permit to place a travel trailer on private property at 803 Center Street. The City Building Department had no objections and recommended approval. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve a hardship permit, Commissioner Gonzales seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval of the request.

The Commission reviewed a request for a variance to City Ordinance NO. 2008-13, which limits structures to forty feet in height, from Fort Bend County Emergency Operations Center. The request was for approval to construct a hundred foot tower to replace two fifty foot towers that were damaged during Hurricane Ike. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve the request, Commissioner Gonzales seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval of the variance.

The Commission reviewed a request to waive the street closing permit fee for Shady Oaks Christian School. Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve waiving the fees, Commissioner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission agreed on April 29, 2010 as the date to hold a joint meeting with Fort Bend Management District for a workshop.

The Commission reviewed a final plat for Plantation Crossing partial Replat No. 1. Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve the plat, Commissioner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed a contract with JTM for water and sewer relocation on FM 762. Upon motion from Gonzales, seconded by Dostal, motion carried and the vote was unanimous to approve the contract.

Mayor Moore announced that the Commission would now meet in Executive Session under Section 551.072 of the Texas Local Government Code to discuss real estate.

The Commission reconvened in open session. Mayor Moore announced that no action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Hilmar G. Moore, Mayor

Attest:

Mona Matak, City Secretary