



STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FORT BEND
CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Workshop/Special Session on June 8, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Moore proceeded to call the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. via video conference pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.125, as amended, and as modified by the temporary suspension of various provisions thereof effective March 16, 2020, by the Governor of Texas in accordance with the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, all as related to the Governor's proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying that the COVID-19 pandemic poses an imminent threat of disaster and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas. All members of the public may participate in the meeting via video conference call.

A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor
Terry Gaul, Commissioner P1
Barry Beard, Commissioner P2
Carl Drozd, Commissioner P3
Alex BeMent, Commissioner P4
Terri Vela, City Manager
Gary Smith, City Attorney
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary

Agenda item A2, Public Comments were opened and there were no citizens signed up to speak therefore the agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A3, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 325-2020, authorizing a Right of Entry Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company. City Manager Vela provided the background for this item stating this is the last version of the agreement that has been in negotiation. The resolution approves and authorizes an agreement to allow Union Pacific to go on city property to conduct surveys and tests for the realignment of the railroad tracks for the replacement of the railroad bridge over the Brazos River. City Manager Vela stated there will be a secondary agreement to provide for construction efforts and compensation. There were various questions and discussions regarding the Bridge Project city expenses reimbursement being limited to \$10,000. City Attorney Gary Smith stated the reimbursement is for expenses related

Union Pacific being on the property, the damages would be considered a separate item. Commissioner BeMent made the motion to approve Resolution No. 325-2020, authorizing a Right of Entry Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company. Commissioner Gaul seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A4, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 330-2020, authorizing the Interlocal Agreement with Fort Bend County for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Funding Allocation Distribution. City Manager reviewed the CARES Act in response to the COVID-19 emergency. The City has been allocated \$661,815 to reimburse expenditures that are eligible for recovery. Staff is currently working on future expenses related to personnel and equipment that would be eligible expenditures. The city currently has approximately \$65,000 in eligible expenditures it has incurred. There was a discussion regarding the number of days allowed to provide additional information if needed pursuant to being deemed ineligible by the County. Following a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Beard made the motion to approve Resolution No. 330-2020, authorizing the Interlocal Agreement with Fort Bend County for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Funding Allocation Distribution with the revised language to include ten (10) business days for the Fort Bend County Auditors to review the expenditures and determine eligibility. Commissioner Drozd seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A5, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 329-2020, consenting to the annexation of a 116.78-acre tract by Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 6 (former Fort Bend Country Club tract). This agenda item was tabled. Commissioner Beard made the motion to postpone taking action on agenda item A5, Resolution No. 329-2020 until the next regular meeting. Commissioner Gaul seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to postpone.

Agenda item A6, Staff presentation and discussion on the Development Agreement between the City of Richmond and HW 589 Holdings LLC.(Veranda Development Agreement). City Planner Jose Abraham provided the background of the Development Agreement (DA) which was entered into on September 15, 2015. The development was a 589.09 acre tract of land as a master planned, mixed-use community including single family attached & detached residential, multi-family residential, retail, commercial, educational, and recreational use. The development was branded as Veranda. In 2017, the City amended the DA to include an adjacent tract of 118.78 acres. A tract of 116.78 acres, from the 118.78 acre tract, was recently annexed into the City of Richmond city limits. The individual infrastructure and utility related provisions for the overall Veranda development were reviewed for both the 589.09 tract and 116.78 tract. The DA was established with the primary goal of achieving high quality development and development standards. There was a discussion regarding the DA referencing 118.78 acres versus the 116.78 acres that was annexed. City Attorney Gary Smith stated it was not necessary to amend the DA. Following an extensive discussion, the agenda item was closed as there was no action necessary.

Agenda item A7, Staff presentation and discussion on Multi-family development with a focus on provisions and requirements within the Unified Development Code (UDC). City Planner Abraham addressed the Commission stating the presentation was to discuss the parking requirements for multi-family development and the current policies and regulations pertaining to multi-family development projects. City Planner Abraham provided statistics for the housing trends in the Houston Area as well as Fort Bend County. It was discussed in depth the various requirements and policies as found in the UDC. There was a lengthy discussion and the agenda item was closed as there was no action necessary.

Agenda item A8, Staff presentation and discussion on recently upgraded Unified Development Code (UDC) Portal on the City of Richmond website. The Planning Department has been working with an outside consultant to upgrade the portal allowing an improved interface with various tools to navigate through the City of Richmond's Development Standards and Zoning related GIS maps. City Planner Abraham stated the portal is a valuable tool used by staff, developers, and residents and being user-friendly is imperative. The portal also includes and Economic Development related map that captures MLS listing and demographic reports for each listing. There was a brief discussion as to deed restriction information as well as sewer and water lines being included on the website. Planner Abraham stated those are provided on an as needed basis. Mayor Moore expressed the website, "looked really nice". Commissioner BeMent conveyed, "I'm impressed, Richmond is in the 21st century and beyond everyone else. This is very exciting!" The agenda item was closed with no action taken.

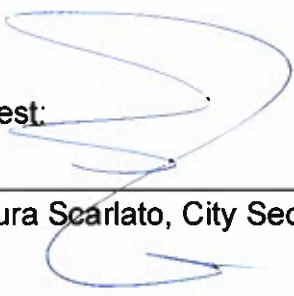
With no further business to discuss, Mayor Moore declared the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

APPROVED:



Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor

Attest:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary