



STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FORT BEND
CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Special Session on August 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Drozd proceeded to call the meeting to order at 9:02 a.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 - **Absent**
Terry Gaul, Commissioner P1
Barry Beard, Commissioner P2
Carl Drozd, Commissioner P3
Alex BeMent, Commissioner P4
Terri Vela, City Manager
Gary Smith, City Attorney
Howard Christian, Assistant City Manager
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary

Prior to discussing the agenda items, Mayor Pro Tem Drozd requested that all gratuitous comments be reserved for the 4:30 meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Drozd passed over Agenda items A2 and A3 then proceeded to Agenda item A4.

- a. Employee Recognition for Service with the City of Richmond -
 - Vladimir Golovine, 25 years of service, Police Department
 - Gregory Ross, 10 years of service, Building Department
- b. Recognize receipt of the Outstanding Cross Connection Control Award for 2020.
- c. Recognize receipt of the Outstanding Water Systems Award for 2020.
- d. Atlantic Housing Foundation, Inc. Workforce Housing Presentation.

Agenda item A3, Public Comments.

Agenda item A4, Mayor ProTem Drozd inquired if there were any Consent Agenda items to be discussed for agenda item A4. There were no items pulled for discussion.

Agenda item A5, to review and consider taking action on a replat – City of Richmond Morton Street Reserves – 1.646 acres of land – 0 Lots – 1 Blocks – 3 Reserves. The subject site can be described as a 1.646 acre of Land (Fort Bend County Clerk's File No. 2014013434) being a portion of Out Lot No. 15 of Randon's Addition to the Town of Richmond (Volume A, Page 484; Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas) and a portion of Lot No. 2, Section 2 of Borden's Lots Back of Richmond (Volume B, Page 758; Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas) including a portion of the original right-of-way of Union Street (30 feet wide, call 0.125 acre abandonment - Volume 481, Page 49; Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas), all being in the Jane H. Long Survey, Abstract No. 55 and in the John T. Edwards Survey, Abstract No. 23, Fort Bend County, Texas. The subject site is the old Thompson Clinic property, located north of the intersection of Morton St and Union St. Commissioner Gaul requested an explanation of the multiple parcels and how they are being redistributed. City Planner Jose Abraham stated the proposed replat combines all the existing lots to create three reserves in one block and dedicates a 15' wide strip of land along Myrtle Street for Road right-of-way purposes. The subject site is the Old Thompson Clinic Property and is currently vacant. City Manager stated these steps are to prepare for the road improvements. Following a brief discussion, the agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A6, To review and consider taking action on a replat – City of Richmond Block 107 Replat – 0.961 acres of land – 0 Lots – 1 Blocks – 1 Reserve. The subject site can be described as being all of Block No. One-Hundred Seven (107), including Lot No. 1 through 14, inclusive, save and except a State of Texas call 0.051 acre tract of land for road right-of-way (Parcel No. 1 - Volume 458, Page 165; Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas), of the City of Richmond (subdivision plat recorded in Volume A, Page 62; Deed Records of Fort Bend County, Texas) in the William Morton Survey, Abstract No. 63, Fort Bend County, Texas. The subject site is the old fire station property located on the northeast corner of S 2nd Street and Hwy 90A intersection. Commissioner Gaul clarified the number of reserves and lots. City Planner Abraham stated it was a typo and would be corrected. There was no discussion and the agenda item was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Drozd introduced agenda item A7, to discuss practice and procedures related to election/campaign sign enforcement. The Commission requested the regulations for the election signs be visited. City Planner Abraham stated the City Attorney, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and representatives from Code Enforcement, Building Department and Planning Department met to discuss the different codes and regulations to achieve a level of consistency. The UDC, Texas Election Code, and TXDOT regulations all need to be coherent. Planner Abraham reviewed the permitted sign duration of the different codes and also the maximum sign area. Commissioner Gaul requested the language be clear regarding the 60 days and 7 vs 10 after the election. Commissioner BeMent stated, "not a fan of the gotcha

approach” and the City needs to be uniform with the state. Mayor Pro Tem Drozd indicated the communication regarding the pickup and storage of signs needs to be conveyed to the candidates that after a certain time period the signs will be destroyed.

Agenda item A8, Update on Integrated Utility Master Plan and Financial Plan. City Manager Vela stated the agenda item was a request from Commissioner Beard and acknowledged Assistant City Manager (ACM) Howard Christian to provide the update. ACM provided the background and the projections for the future. Commissioner Gaul proposed including a chart that reflects the forecast of water demand versus time and the forecasted capacity versus timing of future projects. Commissioner Gaul also inquired if the City has supply capacity, does new development in the ETJ require them to use the City facility. City Manager replied that the development would need to go through certain steps to gain the consent from the City. ACM Christian stated it is cheaper to connect to the City than build their own facilities. Commissioner Beard requested clarification as the plan approved approximately a year ago and there has been no further discussion. Commissioner Beard expressed his concern of putting undue burden on citizens and requested a breakdown of the \$1 million costs. ACM Christian referenced the 10% growth in connections in the past two years and that development is happening. There was a lengthy question and answer period with references to irrigation lines, Mandola being ahead of the timeline and Meritage initiating preliminary engineering plans. The agenda item was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Drozd introduced agenda item A9, review and consider taking action on a Temporary Facility Use Agreement between the City, Development Corporation and Fort Bend County. City Manager introduced the item requesting feedback for the agreement proposed to allow the County to utilize the old fire station as a venue for COVID-19 testing. Due to the Fort Bend County Fair (livestock shows) the County would like to close that testing site. Questions were fielded regarding the potential traffic congestion on 2nd St. and Hwy 90 and the possibility of setting up a tent on other land. It was suggested to include language with an Out Clause if the situation does not work. City Manager Vela stated they were hoping for climate control and visibility. The agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A10, Excuse from Attendance at Regular City Commission Meeting. There were no excuses to discuss, the agenda item was closed

Agenda item A11, to consider taking action on requests for future agenda items. There were no future discussion items suggested.

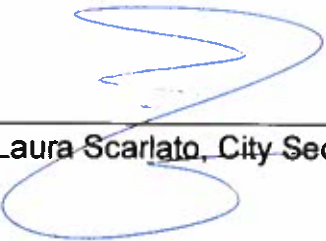
With no further business to discuss, Mayor Pro Tem Drozd declared the meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

APPROVED:



Carl A. Drozd, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary