



STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF FORT BEND  
CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Workshop Session on February 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Becky Haas proceeded to call the meeting to order at 9:00 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:

Becky Haas, Mayor  
Terry Gaul, Commissioner P1  
Barry Beard, Commissioner P2  
Carl Drozd, Commissioner P3  
Alex BeMent, Commissioner P4 - Absent  
Terri Vela, City Manager  
Gary Smith, City Attorney  
Howard Christian, Assistant City Manager  
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary

**Note: This meeting was held during the *February 2021 Winter Weather Event*.**

Mayor Haas introduced agenda item A2, Review and discuss agenda items on the **February 15, 2021 Regular City Commission Meeting**.

Mayor Haas polled the Commissioners to pull only the items for discussion in an effort to **expedite the meeting**.

Agenda item A1. Call to order, Quorum Determined and Meeting Declared Open.

A5. Commissioner Gaul requested a map be provided regarding the Second public hearing to receive comments for or against request by Texas Department of Transportation (owner of the subject site) to annex the existing right of way of FM 762 from Dowling Drive to the Brazos Town Crossing. Commissioner Gaul would like to see

the impact that the annexation will have on the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). It was stated it would be provided at the afternoon meeting. The agenda item was closed.

A9. Present, discuss, and consider accepting the 2020 Racial Profiling Report. Commissioner Gaul inquired as to how the City determines if Richmond has an issue or is there a report it can be compared too. Police Chief Craig stated there is not a "one size fits all report as to the data". The report as compared to the past two years, were very consistent. Commissioner Beard inquired if there was a reason, we didn't have the usual third party, (Dr. Del Carmen) prepare the report. City Manager Vela stated that Chief Craig felt comfortable with preparing the report. Chief Craig stated he was trained under Dr. Del Carmen and has been preparing the reports for the past ten years. There was a brief discussion and the agenda item was closed.

A10. Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 353-2021, approving and authorizing Amendment No. 5 to the Water Supply and Wastewater Services Contract with Fort Bend County MUD No. 140 to clarify the maximum authorized purchase rate per connection. Assistant City Manager Howard Christian answered the questions from the Commission regarding the maximum number of gallons the City agrees to provide up to 450,450 gallons per minute. There was a brief discussion and the agenda was closed.

A13. Review and discuss the development of Section 35, Veranda development, as non-traditional housing. Commissioner Drozd stated that there are serious issues with the parking. The plan layout does not allow for any overflow. Commissioner Drozd requested an analysis of parking standards. Commissioner Gaul, Commissioner Beard and Mayor Haas all shared the parking concerns expressed by Commissioner Drozd. There was a brief discussion and the agenda item was closed.

A3. (c5) Update on CARES Act Funding. Commissioner Gaul requested the projects be highlighted that are included in the funding at the meeting at 4:30 p.m. It was stated that it would be useful to know what CAD-RMS stands for and other projects. With no additional comments, the item was closed.

A2. Recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag. Mayor Haas requested that Commissioner Drozd recite the pledge. Commissioner Drozd suggested the responsibility rotate through positions 1-4 and if someone is missing, it would fall to the next position. Mayor Haas stated that she would lead the pledge this meeting.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Haas declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

**APPROVED:**



Becky K. Haas, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary