



STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

CITY OF RICHMOND

The Development Corporation of Richmond convened in a regular meeting open to the public and pursuant to notice thereof duly given in accordance with Section 501.072, Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, in Richmond City Hall Annex within said City on January 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Directors in attendance included the following:

President, Joe Bonham
Secretary, Verge Greenwood
Becky Haas
William B. Morefield, III
City Attorney, Gary Smith
City Secretary, Laura Scarlato

Vice President, Kit Jones
Treasurer, Terry Gaul
Nancie Rain, Secretary
Terri Vela, City Manager
Executive Director, Jerry Jones

President Joe Bonham proceeded to call the meeting to order at 6:00 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.

There was a quorum present.

Agenda item A2, was introduced for public comments. There were no individuals signed up to speak therefore the agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A3, to review and consider taking action on the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 8, 2020. President Bonham asked for changes or discussion regarding the minutes and there were no suggestions or changes. Director Rain made the motion to approve the minutes for the December 8, 2020 meeting. Director Morefield seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A4, consider and take action on recommendations for Community and Legislative Representation Agreement between DCR and Marvin Marcell, Government Relations Consultant. There was a brief discussion regarding the history of a legislative consultant and the need for one. Director Gaul made the motion to approve the Community and Legislative Representation Agreement between the DCR and Marvin Marcell, Government Relations Consultant. Director Rain seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

*City Manager Vela made note that Director Verge Greenwood joined the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Agenda item A5, Consider and take action on scheduling a workshop to review and amend the DCR Strategic Plan and the Downtown Improvement Plan. Executive Director Jerry Jones stated the workshop would allow for the Board and staff to all be updated and agreement on the direction of the DCR. There was a discussion regarding the logistics with the agreed upon date being January 20th at 10:00 a.m. in person with an estimated length of two hours. The location was tentatively set for the Street Barn located at 109 North 8th Street in Richmond.

Agenda item A6. Consider and take action on recommendations for future agenda items. Executive Director Jones made note of the following items to be discussed in the future.

- Initiatives for a Marketing Plan and justification of funds spent in particular areas.
- Identify potential retail and coordinate with developers.

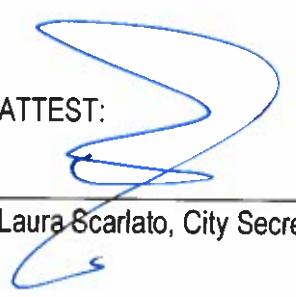
President Bonham inquired as to the status of the quiet zones. It was stated the City is in constant communication with the railroad.

Director Morefield inquired as to the bridge lighting project. City Manager Vela stated the City opted to light the water tower versus the bridge due to the uncertainty of the bridge's future.

It was also mentioned the underutilized spaces in the City such as Richmond Bone and Joint and the YMCA.

There being no further business to come before the Development Corporation of Richmond, Director Morefield made the motion to adjourn with Director Rain seconding the motion therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

ATTEST:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Joe Bonham, President