



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 April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Directors in attendance included the following:

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

Vice President, Kit Jones
Treasurer, Terry Gaul
Verge Greenwood - **Absent**
Terri Vela, City Manager
Executive Director, Jerry Jones

President Joe Bonham proceeded to call the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was broadcast via video conference call. All members of the public may participate in the meeting and 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 March 9, 2021. President Bonham asked for changes or discussion regarding the minutes and there were no suggestions or changes. Director Nancie Rain made the motion to approve the minutes for the March 9, 2021 meeting. Director Terry Gaul seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A4, Discuss and consider taking action on reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag. City Attorney provided the background of the agenda item stating the City Commission had recently approved the policy. However, the Commission left the decision of reciting the pledges up to each individual board. The Directors expressed they had no issues with reciting the pledges at the beginning of the Development Corporation meetings. Director Becky Haas made the motion to approve the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag. Vice President Kit Jones seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Agenda item A5, Review Financial Reports through March 31, 2021. Finance Director Justin Alderete provided the Financial Reports reviewing the revenue and expenses and it was stated they are both in line with expectations. The reports reflect 50% of the FY 2020-2021. Director Gaul stated at the meeting with staff that morning, in the future a 2–3-page summary will be provided.

Agenda item A6. Review Update on 2021 Richmond's Economic Development Week. Economic Development Director Jerry Jones provided the following schedule of events for the week with a brief discussion on each day's activities.

- ❖ Richmond Means Workforce 05/10
- ❖ Richmond Means Transportation 05/11
- ❖ Richmond Means Tourism 05/12
- ❖ Richmond Means Business 05/13
- ❖ Richmond Means Downtown 05/14

There were no comments or questions. The agenda item was closed.

Agenda item A7. Review Annual Report for West Fort Bend Management District (WFBMD). Economic Development Director Jones stated the vision for WFBMD is beautification. City Manager Vela stated that when the District was formed, there was not zoning but the Unified Development Code providing for zoning was adopted on October 1, 2015. The District completes projects for the City. At the present, they are working on F.M. 762 landscape project installation. The mowing on F.M. 359 is provided by the District as well. Also, Hwy 90A and Lane Drive. The main corridors of both Rosenberg and Richmond are the focus of the WFBMD. Director Gaul inquired as to how the District is funded. City Manager Vela stated in the beginning, Rosenberg and Richmond both supported, but Rosenberg no longer provides funding. Also, Henderson Wessendorff and George Foundations provide support. Director Haas stated the assistance received by the WFBMD is money well spent.

Agenda item A8. Review Update on the former Fire Station and the Myrtle Street properties. Economic Development Director Jones provided the status stating an advanced RFP had been done reaching out to all the realtors in the area. There have been conversations with various developers. The fire station is in the first phase of rehabilitation. Painting has been initiated but there are some weather issues. Once completed, the Myrtle Street property will be started. There have been 115 LinkedIn interests with 12 impressions. Follow-up meetings will be initiated.

Agenda item A9. Consider taking action on requests for future agenda items. President Joe Bonham requested an update on the movement of the current legislature. It was stated that Commissioner Beard testified in front of the Ways and Means Committee doing an excellent job.

Agenda item A10. Excuse from Attendance at Regular DCR Meeting. There was no discussion.

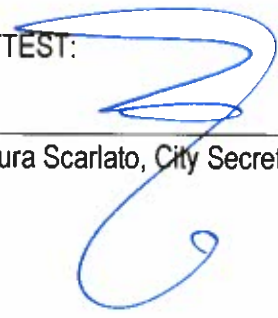
Agenda item A11. Report of activities of Economic Development Director. Director Nancie Rain commented it was appreciated receiving the report during the month.

There being no further business to come before the Development Corporation of Richmond, President Bonham adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Director Rain made the motion with Director Morefield seconding.

APPROVED:


Joe Bonham, President

ATTEST:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary