



STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FORT BEND
CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Special Session on June 27, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Becky Haas proceeded to call the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was broadcast via video conference call. All members of the public may participate in the in-person meeting.

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

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

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

The Mayor proceeded to Skip Agenda items A2 – A5.

Agenda item A2. Recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag. Mayor Haas led the pledges.

Agenda item A3. Employee Recognition for Service with the City of Richmond:

- Dixie Brzozowski – 30 Years – Police Department.
- Bradley McNeal – 5 Years – Police Department.
- Derek Watson – 5 Years – Public Works Department.

A4. Mayor, City Commissioners and City Staff Announcements per Sec. 551.0415 of the Texas Government Code.

Agenda item A5, Public Comments.

Agenda item A6, Presentation on Proposed General Fees Changes.

There was a discussion regarding the reasoning behind the new fees being charged. City Manager Vela stated the change was twofold, to cover City costs and to parallel surrounding cities.

Agenda item A7, Presentation on Delinquent Court Fines and Fees.

There was no discussion on this item.

Agenda item A8, Discuss Multifamily and define warehouse within our Unified Development Code.

There was a discussion as to what motivated the item which it was stated that the item was requested as a future agenda item by Commissioner Beard.

Agenda item A9, Public hearing to receive comments for or against a text amendment to the Unified Development Code, to revise minimum slab elevation requirement based on updated Fort Bend County and Federal Emergency Management Agency regulations. The specific sections to be amended may include:

- Sec. 4.3.203, Standards for Flood Hazard Reduction.
- Chapter 7, Measurements and Words.

There was no discussion on this item.

Agenda item A10, Consent Agenda.

Mayor Haas requested items to be pulled for discussion from the Consent Agenda.

No items were pulled for discussion.

Agenda item A11, Consider appointment of Mayor Pro Tem. Per Section 3.04, Charter "Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem" (4) The Mayor Pro Tem shall be a Commission Member appointed by the Mayor at the first regular meeting after each election of Commission Members.

City Manager Vela stated the appointment typically takes place in May following the election but due to the cancellation, the Commissioners were declared winners. This item is a formality of the City Charter.

Agenda Item A12, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 408-2022, confirming the appointment of a Commission member to the Development Corporation of Richmond.

There was no discussion on this item.

Agenda item A13, Mayor appointment of Commissioner interview committee for the Building and Standards Commission.

There was a discussion as to the process of replacing vacancies that occur on the Boards. It was stated a process needs to be in place and also readdress the alternate positions on each board.

Agenda item A14, Review and consider taking action on Ordinance No. 2022-06, amending Chapter 6 “Animals” of the City Code to provide regulations relating to the care and control of animals including provisions related to dangerous dogs.

City Attorney Gary Smith made changes to reflect the definition of chipped. The Commissioners were in agreement with the ordinance language.

Agenda item A15, Review and consider taking action on Ordinance No. 2022-19, adopting text amendments to the Unified Development Code, to revise minimum slab elevation requirement based on updated Fort Bend County and Federal Emergency Management Agency regulations. The specific sections to be amended may include:

- Sec. 4.3.203, Standards for Flood Hazard Reduction.
- Chapter 7, Measurements and Words.

There was a discussion regarding the legalities of increasing the elevation creating issues with neighbors with the drainage of water. The question was raised as to who is liable if there is a problem, the City or the builder. City Attorney Smith stated the changes are consistent with the county. Additional information will be provided at the 4:30 meeting.

Agenda item A16, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 409-2022, authorizing professional service provider(s) selection for design of drainage projects for the Texas Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery – Hazard Mitigation Program.

There was no discussion on this item.

Agenda item A17, Review and consider taking on Resolution No. 410-2022, authorizing professional service provider(s) selection for utility projects for the Texas Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery – Hazard Mitigation Program.

There was no discussion on this item.

Agenda item A18, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 411-2022, approving and authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with Fort Bend County Clay/Second St. Road Improvement Project.

When asked, City Manager Vela stated the project has been approved, this is to formalize the Interlocal Agreement. There was a question with the term additional funding, which it was stated provides the City flexibility.

Agenda item A19, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 412-2022, agreeing to accept the Henderson-Wessendorff Foundation's donation of property Blocks 144 and 145 of the City of Richmond and authorizing the City Manager to take steps to accept the donation.

There was a discussion as to the terms of the agreement and the maintenance of the community garden.

Agenda item A20. Review and consider taking action on a Preliminary Plat – Indigo Village Core – 12.79 acres of land – 1 Block – 0 Lots -1 Reserve. The subject site is a section within the Indigo Master Planned Community located between Harlem Road and Grand Parkway, south of Owens Road.

There was an inquiry as to the reason for the name change from Agrihood to Indigo. There was a discussion as to the number of staff recommendations on the Plat which City Planner Jose Abraham stated he is comfortable with.

Agenda item A21. Review and consider taking action on a Final Plat – E Lox Biz Park – 3.7980 acres of land – 1 Block – 0 Lots – 2 Reserves. The subject site is located on the west side of F.M. 359 south of Blaisdale Road.

There was a discussion with City Planner Abraham providing the background. There are two reserves, the second one is vacant. A proposal has been received for an office/warehouse scenario.

Agenda item A22, Review and consider taking action on Resolution No. 413-2022, consenting to the addition of property, within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of Richmond, to Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 134D, Harvest Green, conditioned upon executing a Strategic Partnership Agreement.

There was a discussion regarding the foreseen complications.

Agenda item A23, Review and discuss Ordinance No., establishing a residential rental property registrations program.

City Manager Vela provided the background stating no additional staff would be required. The Commissioner expressed concerns of imposing additional requirements,

protecting the citizens, distinguishing between the size of the property or number of units.

Agenda item A24, Excuse from Attendance at Regular City Commission Meeting.


No discussion.

Agenda item A25, Consider taking action on requests for future agenda items.

No discussion.

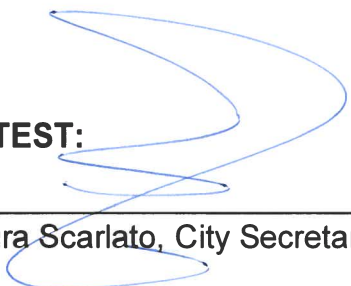
With no further business to discuss, Mayor Haas declared the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

APPROVED:



Becky K. Haas, Mayor

ATTEST:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary