

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FORT BEND
CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in regular session on November 21, 2011 at 4:25 P. M., with the following members present:

HILMAR G. MOORE, MAYOR
BILL DOSTAL, COMMISSIONER
GARY GILLEN, COMMISSIONER

Mayor Moore opened the meeting with a public hearing for the proposed amendment of Annexation Ordinance No. 2010-08. He asked for any comments for or against the annexation amendment. There were none. The public hearing was closed.

The Commission presented service awards to Tom Walleck for thirty years of service with the City. Terry Newman was not present to receive his fifteen year service award.

Mayor Moore asked for any public comments. There were none.

Mayor Moore read a letter from Government Finance Officers Association stating that Terri Vela received the Certificate of Achievement Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the City.

The Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the regular meeting held October 17, 2011. The Fire Department report, the Police Department report, the Municipal Court report, the tax report and the financial report. were reviewed by the Commission. Motions for approval were made, seconded and all reports were unanimously approved by the Commission.

The Commission set the next meeting date for 4:30 P.M., December 19, 2011.

The Commission held a Public Hearing regarding goods-in-transit. The public was asked if anyone present wanted to speak for or against the taxation of certain goods-in-transit personal property. There were no comments from those attending and the Public Hearing was closed.

The Commission reviewed an ordinance relating to taxation of goods-in-transit. The Commission agreed that such goods-in-transit personal property, as exempted by Texas Tax Code 11.253, should be subject to taxation by the City of Richmond for tax year 2012 and all subsequent years. Upon motion from Dostal to approve the ordinance for taxation of goods-in-transit, seconded by Gillen, motion carried, and the vote was unanimous to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2011-18 with a heading as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-18 RELATING TO APPROVAL OF TAXATION OF GOODS-IN-TRANSIT THAT ARE OTHERWISE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION BY TEX. TAX CODE 11.253.

The Commission agreed to table the amendment of Annexation Ordinance No. 2010-08.

The Commission reviewed and unanimously approved the holiday schedule for 2012.

The Commission reviewed the recommendation from employee committee members for employee insurance renewals for plan year beginning January 1, 2012. Commissioner Gillen made a motion to approve the committee's recommendation of Blue Cross/Blue Shield for medical insurance, Principal for dental, United Healthcare for vision, and Lincoln Financial for life, AD&D and long term disability. Commissioner Dostal seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval of the committee's recommendation.

The Commission discussed voting for board members of the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District. The City has fifteen votes total. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to cast five votes each for Al Abramczyk, James Miller and Paul Stamatis and Commissioner Gillen seconded. Resolution No. 13-2011 was unanimously passed and approved.

The Commission reviewed an inter-local agreement between Richmond, Rosenberg, Stafford, Missouri City and Fort Bend County for a Regional Technical Rescue Team. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to approve the agreement, Commissioner Gillen seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve the inter-local agreement.

The Commission reviewed a request to purchase a radar sign from Federal Seizure Fund monies. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to use Federal Seizure Fund monies for the purchase, Commissioner Gillen seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission reviewed and accepted bids received at a formal opening on October 27, 2011, for Construction Contract for CDBG Phase II – Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation. A list of these is filed as a part of these minutes. Upon motion from Commissioner Gillen, seconded by Commissioner Dostal, motion carried and the Commission unanimously agreed to enter into a construction contract with the low bidder, Supak Construction, for the base bid and alternate bid amount of \$250,212.50.

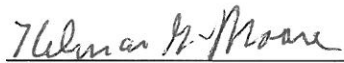
The Commission reviewed a land request form Morton Cemetery. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to proceed with an exchange of land between Morton Cemetery and the City, Commissioner Gillen seconded and the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Commission discussed a historic landmark preservation ordinance. Commissioner Dostal made a motion to go forward with legal preparation of an ordinance for the City, Commissioner Gillen seconded and the motion was unanimous for approval.


Mayor Moore announced that the Commission would now meet in Executive Session under Section 551.071 of the Texas Local Government Code to discuss legal matters.

The Commission reconvened in open session. It was unanimously agreed to appoint Glen Gilmore and Dave Scott as members of the City's Economic Development Board and Terri Vela as Executive Director. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:


Hilmar G. Moore, Mayor

Attest:


Mona Matak, City Secretary