

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Special Session on May 12, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Finance Director Susan Lang was recognized for her testifying before the Legislature on Senate Bill 2.

Saturday, May 13th, Motor Madness and the Art Walk will be held in Downtown Richmond.

Monday, May 15th will be Jeff Council Day in honor of his receiving the 2016 Founder's Award and his service to the healthcare community.

Mayor Moore proceeded to call the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor
Jesse Torres, Commissioner P1
Barry Beard, Commissioner P2
Carl Drozd, Commissioner P3 – Absent
Josh Lockhart, Commissioner P4
Terri Vela, City Manager
Gary Smith, City Attorney
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary – Absent

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A2, Public Comments. Rev. Curtis Lucas yielded his time to Tres Dale Davis. Mr. Davis spoke about his concern for changes to the ethics ordinance.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A3, Canvassing of the May 6, 2017 General Election Results. The results were as follows and were read by the City Manager Terri Vela.

Candidates

Final

Tres Dale Davis

207

Evalyn W. Moore 474 Total Mayoral Votes 681

These results have been certified by the Fort Bend County Election office and therefore, Ms. Evalyn W. Moore was declared the Mayor of the City of Richmond. No action was required.

Agenda item A4 to review and consider approving Ordinance No. 2017-07, Certifying the General Election Results of May 6, 2016. City Manager, Terri Vela stated that Evalyn W. Moore will serve a 3-year term as Mayor of the City of Richmond. Commissioner Beard moved approval of Ordinance No 2017-07 Certifying the General Election Results of May 6, 2017. Commissioner Lockhart seconded the motion. There were three "ayes" and no "nays" to approve the Ordinance.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A5 to administer the Oath of Office to the Newly Elected Official, Mayor Position. Judge Phyllis Ross, Richmond Municipal Court, administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Evalyn W. Moore. No other action required.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A6, Review and consider approving Ordinance No. 2017-06, Establishing No Parking/Tow Away Zone on road right of way at the 200 block of Fleming Street. City Manager Vela described the problems created by on-street parking for a business located in the 200 block of Fleming Street. Commissioner Torres moved approval of Ordinance No. 2017-06, Establishing a no parking/tow away zone on road right of way at the 200 block of Fleming Street. Commissioner Beard seconded the motion. There were three "ayes" and no "nays" to approve the Ordinance.

Agenda item A7 to review and discuss revisions needed to Ordinances, Charter Sections and Rules of Procedure to be consistent with the current make-up of the Commission was introduced by City Manager Vela, then referring to City Attorney Smith to address the Commission. Various Charter sections were identified as a reminder to consider for future Charter election amendments. The next Charter amendment election may not be held before November 2018. The ordinances with conflicts were reviewed and suggestions for changes were discussed. Amendments to ordinances will be brought to the Commission for consideration in future meetings. No action was required.

Agenda item A8 to review and consider approving Ordinance No. 2017-08, amending the ethics ordinance was introduced by Mayor Moore. City Attorney Smith reviewed the proposed changes and noted that the proposed ordinance does not change the obligation of disclosure under state law concerning conflicts of interest and nepotism. Because the draft ordinance was changed after the posting of the agenda, no action was taken pursuant to section 3.13 of the Richmond Charter.

Under agenda item A9, the Commission adjourned to Executive Session, as authorized by Section 551.071, Consultation with attorney. Commissioner Beard moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Commissioner Lockhart seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn to Executive Session was unanimous. The Commission adjourned to Executive Session at 5:10 p.m.

Under agenda item C1, the Commission reconvened in open session at 5:27 p.m. No action was taken.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

APPROVED:

Traky W. Moore, Mayor

Attest:

Gary Smith, City Attorney