

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

CITY OF RICHMOND



The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in Special Session on September 14, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. A quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor
Glen Gilmore, Commissioner
Jesse Torres, Commissioner
Terri Vela, City Manager
Laura Scarlato, City Secretary
Betsy Johnson – Attorney

Mayor Moore declared the meeting open.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A2, Public comments. She asked for any public comments. There were no comments; therefore the agenda item was closed.

Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A3 the Public Hearing for the 2015 Tax Rate was declared open for discussion. City Manager Terri Vela stated the proposed tax rate would be decreasing from \$0.7700 per \$100 to \$0.75500 per \$100. This is the second public hearing, the first public hearing was held September 2, 2015. City Manager Terri Vela explained that although there is a decrease in the tax rate, the appraised values of the property values will be increasing. There was no discussion regarding this item and no comments from the public therefore, the item was closed.

Agenda item A4 to review and consider approving the Annual Review of the Investment Policy and Strategy, Resolution No. 106-2015, no changes recommended. Terri Vela, City Manager stated the Finance Director, Susan Lang and Accounting Manager, Maritza Salazar have both reviewed the document and no changes are suggested or recommended. Commissioner Gilmore made the motion to approve Resolution No. 106-2015 and Commissioner seconded the motion. The vote was two "ayes" and no "nays" therefore, the resolution was approved.

Mayor Moore introduced Agenda item A5 to review and consider approving the fee waiver request for Shady Oak Christian School for the family event scheduled for September 24, 2015. Terri Vela, City Manager stated this is an annual event involving approximately 110 families and the street closures have been approved by city personnel. Vela recommends that based on the request received, the \$200 deposit be waived, however the fees for the barricades remain in place. Commissioner Gilmore made the motion to approve waiving the deposit for the Shady Oak Christian School and Commissioner Torres seconded the motion. There were two “ayes” and one “nay” to approve. The item was closed.

Agenda item A6 was introduced to review and consider approving Ordinance No. 2015-21, Regulating Traffic on Certain Streets at Certain Intersections in the City for stop signs. City Manager Vela reviewed the Ordinance and the need for the stop signs and their locations. Vela stated it would allow for the enforcement at Edgewood and Damon Streets. Commissioner Gilmore made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-21 Regulating the Traffic on Certain Streets at Certain Intersections and Commissioner Torres seconded the motion. The votes were two “ayes” and no “nays” and the Ordinance was approved. The agenda item was closed.

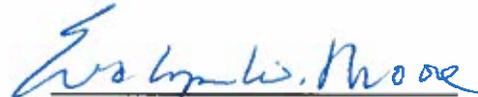
Mayor Moore introduced agenda item A7 to review and consider granting consent to the annexation of 17.377 acres from the George Foundation into the Levee Improvement District (LID) No. 6. City Manager Vela gave a brief description of the location of the tract being what has been called the Love tract behind the Dr. Thompson house and the Shell Station on Hwy 762. The property runs down to Rabbs Bayou. The City allowed the annexation into MUD #207; Vela stated they are now asking for the Levee Protection. Commissioner Gilmore made the motion to grant consent to allow annexation of 17.377 acres from the George Foundation into the LID No. 6. Commissioner Torres seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The item was closed.

Mayor Moore announced that the Commission would now meet in Executive Session at 4:44 p.m., as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Attorney Consultation; the status of negotiations of H.W. Holdings Development Agreement and the status of the Pecan Grove Lawsuit. Commissioner Torres made a motion to adjourn into executive session and Commissioner Gilmore seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Mayor Moore announced that the City Commission adjourns into executive session, closed meeting.

The Commission reconvened into Open Session at 5:44 p.m.

There being no further business to be brought before the Commission, Commissioner Gilmore motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Commissioner Torres seconded and the Commission adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

APPROVED:


Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor

Attest:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary