

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 51.96, Development Corporation Act, Vernon's Texas Codes, in Richmond City Hall Annex within said City on November 17, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. Directors in attendance included the following:

President, Evalyn W. Moore	Vice President, Joe Bonham
Treasurer, Carlos Garcia	Glen Gilmore - Absent
Secretary, Carl Drozd - Absent	Dave Scott
Jesse Torres	Rob Tobias, Executive Director
Attorney – Non Present	

President Evalyn Moore opened the meeting at 4:30 and opened the agenda item for any public comments. Before any public comments she asked for a show of hands of the guests that were present to hear the presentation regarding the 10th Street Extension Project. President Moore proceeded to thank the attendees for coming as the City and DCR wish to keep the citizens informed on projects under consideration and look forward to their feedback and inputs. There was only one citizen signed up for comments,

- Mr. Tres Davis 2016 Haven Springs, Richmond, Texas 77469

Mr. Davis stated it is time to make a decision regarding the 10th Street Extension Project. Mr. Davis shared his views on the positive impacts of this project for the people of North Richmond and his concerns on the timeliness of the process. Mr. Davis stated that, "the project would not require a bond and would be only \$50,000 more than what the City gave to Friends of North Richmond". Mr. Davis was very critical of the board, the City Commission and communication. Mr. Davis feels North Richmond deserves the overpass.

With no more public comments, the agenda item was closed.

Agenda item 3 was introduced by President Moore to review and approve the Minutes from October 6, 2015 meeting. There was no discussion, the motion was made to approve by Director Bonham and seconded by Director Torres. There were five "ayes" to approve.

President Moore asked for a review of the Financial Reports through October 30, 2015. There being no questions or comments regarding the financial reports, they were accepted and no action was required.

Agenda item 5 was introduced by President Moore which was a presentation from Richard Stolleis, County Engineer, regarding the County's 10th Street Extension Project. Mr. Stolleis gave a brief history of the project and the various alternatives considered for extension. The initial project scope approved by the 2013 Mobility Bond was an at grade crossing, however, the latest scope recommended by the engineering consultant Cobb Fendley, includes an overpass over the Union Pacific rail line and Preston Street.

The total estimated cost of the project is now \$15,780,000. It was noted that if the extension is built at a later time, it will cost even more. The tasks that need to occur before a decision is made to go forward are the following:

- Determine the final project configuration
- Complete and Interlocal Agreement between the City and County that will outline the amount of funding to be provided by the City/DCR.
- Authorize the final project engineering and design
- Finalize requirements for and acquire the right of way and relocate the citizens effected by the project
- Authorize the bidding and construction

It was noted that the estimated cost are from FM 762 and will end at Clay Street. The City of Richmond's portion of the project is \$4.270 million however, City Manager Terri Vela indicated that the project is a "County" project not a City of Richmond project with no control of the timing, vendors selected, or decisions regarding the project, very similar to the Golfview Project.

Mr. Stolleis closed noting that the County looked forward to working with the City/DCR to bring this transportation project to fruition and asked that consideration be given to deciding on the project configuration of at-grade or an overpass, as well as the amount of funding to be contributed. After a number of other questions were addressed, the agenda item was closed.

President Moore introduced Rob Tobias, the Executive Director for the DCR to present the 2015 Annual Report for the Development Corporation of Richmond. Tobias gave a brief overview of the progress Richmond has made over the past year and noted it is very exciting. The RiverPointe Center now includes a Rudy's BBQ, Freddy's, Taco Bell, an emerging El Rancho Mexican Restaurant and a future Hilton Hotel plus an office building. This was followed by Williams Crossing and the plans for a Marriott Hotel with an office building, plus other developments. He then referred to the future George Foundation/Midway Companies mixed-use development and the quality of the amenities to be developed there. This was followed by a snapshot of investments in the Historic District. This included the addition of Dr. Mazza Concierge Medicine & Wellness, Catalyst Restaurant Group that is bringing a number of small, entrepreneurial venues to the District, as well as WheelWright Marketing & Communications that recently kicked off the Richmond Magazine a new lifestyle publication. Mr. Tobias concluded by stating that the City will continue to attract quality developments resulting from the teamwork between the DCR board, the staff and the community.

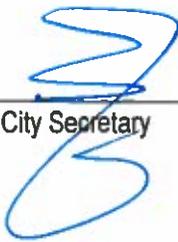
Mr. Tobias made note that the next meeting will be on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30.

There being no further business to come before the Development Corporation of Richmond, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm. Director Bonham made the motion and Director Torres seconded.

APPROVED:

  
Evalyn W. Moore, President

ATTEST:

  
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Laura Scarlato, City Secretary