

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 26, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR JOE ASHTON
MAYOR PRO TEM DARREN HOUK
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND
COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM
COUNCIL MEMBER YOLIE RODRIGUEZ

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY
CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
POLICE SERGEANT ERIC PERKINS
POLICE CHIEF CHRIS SPIELDENNER
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK
CITY ATTORNEY BETSY ELAM
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR GORDON SMITH
EVENT CENTER DIRECTOR SHIRLEY WHEAT
EVENT CENTER DIRECTOR SHIRLEY BLOOMFIELD

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Ashton called the Special Called Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 1:03 p.m. on Friday, February 6, 2021 at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Houk delivered the Invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Pro Tem Houk led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and the Texas Flags.

4. READING OF PROCLAMATION(S) AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY MAYOR.

NONE

5. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR ANY AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AN DURING THE MEETING BY RAISING YOUR HAND TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY NOTED ON THIS AGENDA, THE CITY COUNCIL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO LIMIT ITS RESPONSE WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC FACTUAL INFORMATION, RECITING THE CITY'S EXISTING POLICY ON THAT ISSUE, OR DIRECTING THE PERSON MAKING THE INQUIRY TO VISIT WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT THAT ISSUE, AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.

NONE

ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD CONTRACT TO THE ACCEPTABLE BIDDER FROM ALL BIDS RECEIVED AND OPENED AT 1:00 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 22, 2021 IN THE RIVER OAKS COUNCIL CHAMBERS FOR AN EVIDENTIARY DIGITAL MEDIA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM INCLUSIVE WITH IN-CAR VIDEO SYSTEMS, BODY WORN CAMERA SYSTEM, INTERVIEW ROOM SYSTEM AND STORAGE (PROPOSAL #2021-PD0001).

There were two bid proposals-one for the camera system and the other for in-car cameras. The camera system received one bid from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$195,682.00. The in-car cameras received one bid from Rugged Notebooks in the amount of \$64,051.00. We currently have a contract with Motorola on other equipment. Motorola is offering in this bid a no-fault replacement program at no cost and an equipment refresh in two years at no cost. The vehicle computers will fit into the current mounting brackets in the vehicles. Looked at Axon Company but their cost was \$85,000.00 more and looked at Wolfcom but they did not offer enough features. There are only three main vendors in this industry. The cost for the vehicle computer installation will be \$1,900.00 which is not included in the bid. Total project cost with installation is \$261,633.00.

The funding will come out of General Fund, but later can budget out of Crime Control District each year until it is paid off or include it in the bond funding if that gets approved. Grants were explored but that can take over a year to be finalized.

CM Rodriguez moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Houk to approve Proposal #2021-PD0001 with Motorola Solutions and Rugged Notebooks in the amount of \$259,733.00 and include \$1,950.00 for installation of the vehicle computers and to authorize CM Gregory to execute any necessary documents. All voted "Aye".

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #1042-2021 AMENDING RESOLUTION #1030-2020 AS ADOPTED ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020 BY AMENDING THE ORDER OF THE MAYOR RESTRICTING COMMUNITY CENTER RENTALS AND GARAGE SALES DUE TO PANDEMIC.

This was directed to come back before council with guidelines.

Event Center Rentals: 1) all rental applicants will be required to fill out a COVID-19 checklist with their application. If anyone on the checklist is checked "yes", the rental application is denied. 2) all visitors to the Event Center will be required to wear a face mask covering the nose and mouth in the area which will involve close contact or proximity to the public with certain exemptions. 3) all rental participants will maintain social distancing of 6-feet. 4) the occupancy permitted will be restricted to 50% of the occupancy load. 5) event monitors will be responsible to see that visitors follow the rules, and in the event a person refuses to follow the health protocols put in place, they will be warned the first time and if they continue to refuse, they will be asked to leave the facility.

Garage Sales/Estate Sales: all applicants will be required to fill out a COVID-19 checklist with their application. If anyone on the checklist is checked "yes", the application is denied. They would be required to follow CDC guidelines which include wearing of face mask covering over the

nose and mouth in the area which will involve close contact or proximity to the public with certain exemptions. And to maintain social distancing of 6-feet.

Mayor Pro Tem Houk moved, seconded by CM Rodriguez to approve Resolution #1042-2021 with the guidelines as presented. All voted "Aye".

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #1043-2020 CONTINUATION OF LOCAL DISASTER BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR DATED FEBRUARY 17, 2021.

The City of Hudson Oaks is crediting 2,000 gallons of water on both residents and commercial businesses water bills. If River Oaks did the same, the average cost would be \$12.60 for in-district and in-city, \$14.40 for out of district, and \$30.00 for in-district and out-of-city. This would be a one-time credit. The impact just on residential is about \$10,175.60. If someone has a water leak, they will have to go thru the leak adjustment process.

CM Holland moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to approve 300 cubic feet (2,200 gallons) credit on both commercial and residential water bills for one billing cycle. All voted "Aye".

CORRESPONDENCE:

9. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mayor Pro Tem Houk-thanked Blythe Reaves for all that she did while she was on vacation during the recent disaster.

Mayor Ashton-thanked the whole staff during this disaster.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION(S) FROM TIME TO TIME ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY AS PERMITTED BY LAW DURING THIS MEETING. THE COUNCIL MAY CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Section 551.071 Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek advice from attorney.
- b. Section 551.072 Discussion regarding possible sale, lease or acquisition of real estate.
- c. Section 551.074 Personnel matters – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an Officer or Employee.
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

NONE

RECONVENE:

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

ADJOURN:

12. ADJOURN

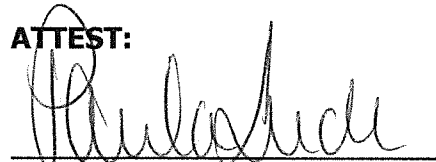
At 1:47 p.m., Mayor Ashton adjourned the meeting. All voted "Aye".

APPROVED:



Joe Ashton, Mayor

ATTEST:



Paula Luck, City Secretary