

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 4, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND
COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM
COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY
CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
POLICE CHIEF CHRIS SPIELDENNER
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK

ABSENT:

MAYOR PRO TEM JOE ASHTON
COUNCIL MEMBER DARREN HOUK

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Earwood called the Special Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 6:32 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

CM Claridge delivered the Invocation.

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

CM Claridge 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

PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

6. SUBMISSION OF ROLL TO GOVERNING BODY; NO-NEW-REVENUE AND VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATES; TAKE RECORD VOTE: (designated officer calculates the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate of the taxing unit; by August 7 the designated officer shall submit the rates to the governing body). (Consider vote of the Governing Body

proposing a 2020 tax rate that is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate as submitted to the Governing Body by the designated officer and to schedule a date for the public hearing on the proposed tax rate).

The no-new-revenue tax rate from the 2020 tax rate worksheet is \$0.671699/\$100 (which would provide approximately the same amount of revenue as last year at a tax rate of \$0.674516/\$100), and the voter-approval rate is \$0.697375/\$100 (which is the maximum rate allowed by law without being subject to a mandatory election). The de minimis rate is \$0.834124/\$100 that is calculated using the 2020 total taxable value of \$311,853,193. The rate necessary to impose \$500,000 in taxes is \$0.160331. To calculate the de minimis rate you take the maintenance and operations tax rate of \$0.673793/\$100 + \$0.160331 = \$0.834124/\$100. With a 99.5% projection rate, the projected revenue will be \$2,475,043.85. The property values increased 1% overall. Other entities are using the 99.5% collection rate.

CM Holland moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to hold a Public Hearing on August 25, 2020 to propose a tax rate of \$0.69737/\$100. All voted "Aye".

CORRESPONDENCE:

7. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CM Chisholm-funeral home is currently replacing the roof and doing some improvements to the building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

8. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSIONS(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 compliant or charge against an Officer or Employee.
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

NONE

RECONVENE:

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION


NONE

ADJOURN:

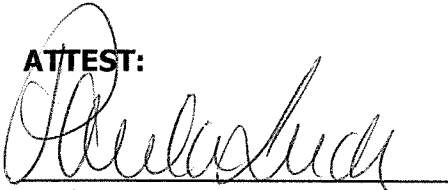
10. ADJOURN

**At 6:54 p.m., CM Claridge moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to adjourn the meeting.
All voted "Aye".**

APPROVED:


Herman Earwood, Mayor

ATTEST:


Paula Luck, City Secretary