

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 9, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD
MAYOR PRO TEM JOE ASHTON
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND
COUNCIL MEMBER BRUCE SCOTT
COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM

STAFF PRESENT:

ASST CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
POLICE CHIEF CHRIS SPIELDENNER
CITY ATTORNEY BETSY ELAM
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK
BUILDING INSPECTOR STEVE SANDERS
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR GORDON SMITH
FIRE CHIEF JAMES BROWN
LIBRARY DIRECTOR JEANETTE WINTER
EDC COORDINATOR PATRICIA WARD
COMMUNITY CENTER DIRECTOR SHIRLEY WHEAT

ABSENT:

CM JOANN BUTLER-EXCUSED
CITY SECRETARY MARVIN GREGORY-ILLNESS

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Earwood called the Regular Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

CM Scott delivered the Invocation.

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

CM Scott led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and the Texas Flags.

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

Mayor Earwood read a Proclamation: January 2018 as School Board Appreciation Month.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** ALL ITEMS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL FOR THE "CONSENT AGENDA". THESE ITEMS ARE OF A ROUTINE NATURE AND REQUIRE ONLY BRIEF DELIBERATION BY COUNCIL. **COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANY ITEM ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DELIBERATION**

- A. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2017 COMMUNITY FORUM
- B. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2017 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
- C. APPROVE BILLS PAYABLE FOR PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 9, 2018 (FY 2018)
- D. RATIFY BILLS PAYABLE FOR PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 26, 2017 (FY 2018)

E. RATIFY HIRING OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY MAYOR

CM Chisholm moved, seconded by CM Holland to approve the Consent Agenda Items #A-E with corrections to item #A. All voted "Aye".

6. DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DELIBERATION.

NONE

PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

7. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON ABANDONING, CONVEYING, DEVELOPING OR MAINTAINING THE 50-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE 5400 BLOCK OF TRUMAN DR. INVOLVING PROPERTIES LOCATED FROM 5400-5412 RIVER OAKS BLVD.

CA Elam and CS Gregory recommend option #3 which is not to abandon right-of-way and construct and maintain a public parking lot that can be utilized by Mr. Frank's and Mr. Hughes's properties. Diane Smith, developer agrees with this. The paving will be done by the city with Tarrant County and paid for with EDC funds. Fire Chief Brown recommends this as a thru street to allow for emergency vehicles.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Scott to select option #3 which is the city can construct and maintain a public parking lot at the 5400 block of Truman Dr. which involves the 5400-5412 blocks of River Oaks Blvd. that can be utilized by Mr. Frank's and Mr. Hughes's property. (The Truman right-of-way was for a street and will be paved with public parking on the north side). All voted "Aye".

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH TARRANT COUNTY FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE 1000-1400 BLOCKS OF ROBERTS CUT OFF RD.

The 2018 project is the 1000-1400 block of Roberts Cut off Rd from Skyline to Baylor. Sewer line replacements will be completed before the street improvements are done. The entire road will be reconstructed.

CM Scott moved, seconded by CM Holland to approve the contract with Tarrant County. All voted "Aye".

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH PEOPLE READY INC. FOR TEMPORARY CONTRACT LABOR FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018.

This is the temporary labor service on the sanitation trucks. The hourly rate remains unchanged from last year.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to approve the agreement with People Ready Inc. All voted "Aye".

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY MARLENE SANCHEZ, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, ATLANTIC PACIFIC COMMUNITIES TO HOST A MEETING AT THE LIBRARY.

Marlene Sanchez had contacted Librarian Jeanette Winter wanting to host a HOA meeting that was located in River Oaks at the Library consisting of 15-20 people. They did not want to use the Community Center because they did not want to be charged a fee.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to deny the request from Marlene Sanchez. All voted "Aye".

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #915-2018 REVIEWING AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT ACT (CHAPTER 2256 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE) OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS; UPDATING THE INVESTMENT POLICY IN ACCORDANCE TO THE PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT ACT.

This Resolution is a formality and has been approved by the city auditor.

CM Holland moved, seconded by CM Scott to approve Resolution #915-2018. All voted "Aye".

12. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #1175-2018 REPEALING ORDINANCE #1170-2017 AS ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 24, 2017 ABANDONING THE RIGHT OF WAY IN THE N. CARROLL SURVEY, A-264 CITY OF RIVER OAKS, AND TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to approve Ordinance #1175-2018. All voted "Aye".

STAFF REPORTS:

13. UPDATE ON LIBRARY RESHELVING PROJECT & BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS.

Librarian Jeanette Winter gave an update on the Library project. Carpet & painting are complete; electrical upgrade complete; computer rewiring complete and patron computers functional; Pods and Carts are returned; floor tile has been sealed and waxed; all new seating is set up; adult fiction books and DVD's are shelved; 50% of shelving has been installed.

The outstanding items are the 50% shelving which will be installed on January 18th, 2018; re-shelving of non-fiction, young adults, Spanish and children's books.

14. UPDATE ON WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENTS FUNDED BY THE TWDB (TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD).

Clarifier: The clarifier at the WTP started October 2, 2017 and is still under construction. Staff received pay estimate #3 which detailed manufacturing was taking place. PWD Smith and WTP Operator John Paul Jones are scheduling a tour of the facility to document progress of the manufacturing.

Water Main Replacement Phase 1: All water mains on the south side of River Oaks Blvd are under design which consists of 20,450 feet of water mains that will be replaced which includes River Oaks Blvd, Churchill, Ohio Garden, Roberts Cut Off, Shady Oaks, Club Oak, Schieme, Asbury, Sam Calloway, Makarwich and a section tie in at the intersection of Merritt and Hassett. The final design will be complete by mid-January and sent to TWDB for review.

Sewer Main Replacement Phase 1: First project has completed design phases which consist of 39,256 of sewer line replacement which includes Nancy Ln, Amherst, Langley, Westwick, Green Oaks, Ohio Garden, section of River Oaks Blvd., Purdue, Dartmouth, Roberts Cut Off, Notre Dame, Baylor, Meandering, St. Edwards, Oxford, Yale, Cambridge, Red Oak, Keith Pumphrey, Merritt, Black Oak, White Oak, Hope and Lydick. The project will be ready to bid after final approval from TWDB which is expected to be this week. The bidding will take place this month and be awarded the first part of February 2018.

OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY REQUIRE COUNCIL ACTION:

15. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON SCHEDULING A STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to hold the Strategic Planning Workshop on Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 8 am-12 noon subject to CS Gregory's approval. All voted "Aye".

PUBLIC FORUM:

16. CITY COUNCIL INVITES CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC; 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 THE ISSUE. **NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED**

CM Chisholm announced the TML Region 8 meeting on January 25, 2018. CM Chisholm will be attending.

Mayor Earwood announced the Elvis show is in February at the Community Center.

Council would like a report from the Community Center on the last two big events they held.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

17. 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 complaint or charge against an Officer or Employee.
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

NONE

RECONVENE:

- 18. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

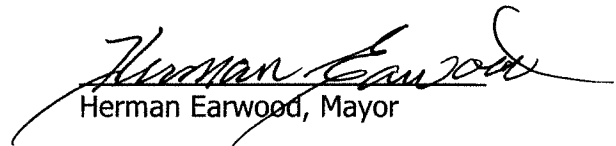
NONE

ADJOURN:

- 19. ADJOURN

At 8:02 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Scott, to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye".

APPROVED:


Herman Earwood, Mayor

ATTEST:


Paula Luck, Assistant City Secretary