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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 4900 RIVER OAKS BLVD.; RIVER OAKS, TEXAS ON **TUESDAY**

**AUGUST 25, 2020
7:00 PM**

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board outside the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., a place that is accessible to the general public at all times, and that said notice was posted on **Friday, August 21, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.**

PAULA LUCK, CITY SECRETARY

**** DUE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY THERE MAY OR MAY NOT BE A QUORUM OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON AT THE MEETING, INSTEAD THEY MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE. YOU CAN JOIN THIS MEETING FROM YOUR PHONE AT 1-415-655-0001. THE ACCESS CODE IS 126 421 4590.**

MEETING LINK

<https://cityofriveroaks.my.webex.com/cityofriveroaks.my/j.php?MTID=me6d0c89df17906b31903ec732c8d761f>

MEETING NUMBER: 126 421 4590

PASSWORD: 4A8aWtSM7Dh (42829876 from phones and video systems)

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG
"HONOR THE TEXAS FLAG; I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THEE, TEXAS, ONE STATE UNDER GOD, ONE AND INDIVISIBLE"
4. READING OF PROCLAMATION(S) AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY MAYOR:
5. **PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** CITIZENS ARE INVITED TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AND DURING THE MEETING BY RESPONSE TO THE MAYOR TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY LISTED 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 AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.



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6. **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 AUGUST 11, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
- B. APPROVE BILLS PAYABLE FOR PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 25, 2020 (FY 2020)

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 DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DELIBERATION.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL CIVIL ENGINEERING WITH MJ THOMAS ENGINEERING LLC FOR CONCEPTUAL DRAINAGE STUDY OF ROBERTS CUT OFF RD TO CORNELL AVENUE TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE STORM WATER FUND AS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE STORM WATER TASK FORCE.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL CIVIL ENGINEERING WITH MJ THOMAS ENGINEERING LLC FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES INVOLVING THE INSPIRATION LANE DRAINAGE STUDY TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE STORM WATER FUND AS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE STORM WATER TASK FORCE.

10. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON PRESENTATION BY THE CITY MANAGER OF THE REVISED 5-YEAR GENERAL FUND BUDGET PLAN.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARINGS:

11. **PUBLIC HEARING:** IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS THAT WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES IN THE GENERAL FUND THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$93,308 DOLLARS OR 4.48% AND OF THAT AMOUNT \$20,458.97 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR.

12. **ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARING:** CONSIDER APPROVAL OF **ORDINANCE # 1290-2020** ADOPTING THE RIVER OAKS OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.

13. **PUBLIC HEARING:** IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED AD VALOREM 2020 PROPERTY TAX RATE IN THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS AT A RATE OF \$0.697375 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A TOTAL TAX RATE INCREASE OF \$0.022859/\$100 OF VALUE OR 3.39% FROM THE 2019 TAX RATE OF \$0.674516 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE. THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$ **0.697375** per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE \$ **0.671699** per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE \$ **0.697375** per \$100
(The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate).



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14. ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARING: THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL ANNOUNCE AT THE PUBLIC HEARING THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF THE MEETING AT WHICH IT WILL VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE. (the meeting to vote on the tax increase may not be held later than the seventh day after the date of the public hearing or September 1, 2020)

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF **RESOLUTION # 1025-2020** AUTHORIZING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) EXPENDITURES FROM THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AS QUALIFIED FOR PROJECTS MORE THAN \$10,000.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (FIRST READING)

STAFF REPORTS:

16. UPDATE ON SUBSTANDARD PROPERTIES AT:

- 928 LYDICK LANE
- 1017 CHURCHILL
- 1605 YALE ST.
- 1701 YALE ST.
- 1620 WOODLAWN

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

17. UPDATES FROM THE CITY MANAGER ADVISING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ON PERSONNEL, CITY'S FISCAL CONDITION, FUTURE NEEDS OF THE CITY AND OTHER CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATIONS.

QUESTIONS RELATED TO MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS INCLUDING:

18. **POLICE DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT** INCLUDING PATROL ACTIVITY, RESPONSE CALLS, NUMBER OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION CASES, WARRANTS ISSUED AND ANIMAL CONTROL CALLS INCLUDING CITATIONS ISSUED.

19. **FIRE DEPT. REPORT** INCLUDING NUMBER OF CALLS FOR SERVICE AND FIRE TRAINING EXERCISES.

20. **INSPECTIONS AND CODE COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY REPORTS** INCLUDING NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED AND CODE VIOLATIONS WORKED.

21. **LIBRARY ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING NUMBER OF BOOKS, VIDEOS, PAPERBACKS, AND INCLUDING NUMBER OF PATRON ASSISTANCE.

22. **MUNICIPAL COURT** INCLUDING COURT ACTIVITY FROM FINES, BONDS, WARRANT FEES, COURT TAXES, COURT FEES, ARREST FEES, COURT SECURITY FEES, COURT TECHNOLOGY FEES, PAYMENT PLANS, STATE COURT COSTS AND AGENCY COLLECTION FEES.

23. **PUBLIC WORKS ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING ROAD REPAIRS COMPLETED, SIGNS INSTALLED, WATER PRODUCTION, WATER MAIN AND SERVICE LEAKS REPAIRED, NUMBER OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND DEAD-END LINES FLUSHED, NUMBER OF SEWER OVERFLOWS AND



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24. **PARK BOARD ACTIVITY REPORTS** INCLUDING BALLFIELD RENTALS, GRANT UPDATES AND QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO MINUTES FROM THE PARK BOARD.

25. **EVENT CENTER ACTIVITY REPORTS** INCLUDING NUMBER OF COMMUNITY CENTER RENTALS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

26. **CITY SECRETARY ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING REVENUE FROM SALES TAX, DOLLAR DONATIONS, EDC SALES TAX, TEX POOL AND CRIME SALES TAX.

27. **EDC ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING FUNDED PROJECT UPDATES, UPCOMING PROJECTS AND REPORTING FROM PAUL PAINE, CONSULTANT, ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

28. **STORM WATER TASK FORCE ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER THE MS4 PERMIT, COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND PROMOTIONAL EVENTS REGARDING STORM WATER PREVENTION POLLUTION.

29. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY REPORT** INCLUDING POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND INFORMATION PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND UPDATES REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND WEST NILE VIRUS.

30. **CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE REPORT** INCLUDING INFORMATION PROMOTING CENSUS AWARENESS IN THE COMMUNITY AND REFLECTING A TRUE SNAPSHOT OF COMMUNITY.

CORRESPONDENCE:

31. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

32. 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 deliberation regarding real property; a governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.
- 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.

RECONVENE:

33. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION



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34. ADJOURNMENT

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