MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 17, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD
MAYOR PRO TEM JOE ASHTON
COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM
COUNCIL MEMBER DARREN HOUK
COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY PW SECRETARY MARIA TUEME EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND-EXCUSED

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: 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

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Herman Earwood called the Special Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd, River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG

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

At 6:01 p.m., Mayor Earwood went into Executive Session under Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 and 551.076.

At 6:05 p.m., Mayor Earwood reconvened back into Regular Session.

4. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: CITY COUNCIL INVITES CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AND DURING THE MEETING BY RAISING YOUR HAND TO BE RECOGNIZED; THERE IS A TIME LIMIT OF 3-MINUTES FOR EACH SPEAKER; 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 AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.

Daniel Bennett was present and reported the outcome of the Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors election.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

5. CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF THE EXPENDITURE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (E.D.C.) FUNDS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE E.D.C. FOR PURCHASING PROPERTY AT 1512 SHENNA BLVD. IN RIVER OAKS, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS.

CM Houk moved, seconded by CM Chisholm to approve the expenditure of Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$197,500 for purchasing the property at 1512 Shenna Blvd. All voted "Aye".

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

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

CM Gregory mentioned that Harry Mayes' wife Cheryl Mayes passed away.

CORRESPONDENCE:

7. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton mentioned that Helen Walker, a long time River Oaks resident that lived on Coates Drive passed away.

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.

This item was done before Item #4.

RECONVENE:

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

ADJOURN:

10. ADJOURN

At 6:15 p.m. Mayor Earwood adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:

Herman Earwood, Mayor

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Paula Luck, City Secretary