

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2013

WORK SESSION – 6:00 P.M.:

- **Call to Order**

Mayor Maczka called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present:

Laura Maczka	Mayor
Bob Townsend	Mayor Pro Tem
Mark Solomon	Councilmember
Scott Dunn	Councilmember
Kendal Hartley	Councilmember
Paul Voelker	Councilmember
Steve Mitchell	Councilmember

The following staff members were also present:

Dan Johnson	City Manager
David Morgan	Deputy City Manager
Cliff Miller	Assistant City Manager Development Services
Don Magner	Assistant City Manager Community Services
Shanna Sims-Bradish	Assistant City Manager Admin/Leisure Services
Aimee Nemer	City Secretary
Mick Massey	Director of Parks and Recreation
Kent Pfeil	Director of Finance

Guests/Consultants Present:

Ken Ballard, Ballard King and Associates
Ken Berendt, Barker Rinker Seacat Architecture
Byron Garey and representatives from the Spring Valley Athletic Association

A. VISITORS

There were no visitors comments submitted.

B. REVIEW AND DISCUSS PRELIMINARY FINDINGS OF THE JOINT ATHLETIC FACILITY FEASIBILITY STUDY WITH SPRING VALLEY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Ken Ballard, Ballard King and Associates, and Ken Berendt, Barker Rinker Seacat Architecture, along with City staff provided an overview of the preliminary findings of the joint athletic facility feasibility study at the Huffhines Recreation Center with the Spring Valley Athletic Association. Byron Garey with Spring Valley Athletic Association presented information on the Spring Valley Athletic Association.

Mick Massey, Director of Parks, reviewed the next steps:

- Receive input from Council

- Refine feasibility study based on: Site design intensity comfort level and “best fit” for the final product
- Traffic & parking load impact details.
- Send the project back to Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council for review of final plan once all details are known.

C. REVIEW AND DISCUSS A CASH DEFEASANCE OF THE 2004 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS TAXABLE SERIES

Kent Pfeil, Director of Finance, explained that during the 2013-2014 budget process, the City Council planned to pay off some debt early through a “Cash Defeasance”. Mr. Pfeil explained the following:

Cash Defeasance:

- A Cash Defeasance of the remaining 2004 Taxable General Obligation Refunding Issue will pay off the bonds six years before their 2020 maturity date.
- This defeasance is possible because the bonds had an early redemption or call feature
- A resolution is required for the cash defeasance to occur

D. REVIEW AND DISCUSS ELECTION SIGN REGULATIONS

Don Magner, Assistant City Manager reviewed the following proposed changes regarding Election Sign Regulations.

- It is an offense for any person to leave any electioneering sign or literature on public property that is used as a polling place other than during the voting period and for thirty minutes before and after the voting period.
- It is an offense for any person to engage in electioneering on driveways, parking areas, on medians within parking areas, or driveways on the premises of a polling location. This restriction shall not apply to electioneering signs that are attached to vehicles that are lawfully parked at the premises of a polling location.
- It is an offense for any person to attach, place or otherwise affix or erect any electioneering sign, literature or material in any area designated as a planting or landscaped area or to any tree, shrub, building, pole, or other improvement on public property used as a polling location.
- It is an offense for any person to place any electioneering sign or literature within ten (10) feet of the public road way adjacent to the public property where a polling location is located.
- It is an offense for any person to place an electioneering sign on the premises that exceeds thirty-six square feet and is more than eight feet in height, including any supporting poles, or to utilize any stake more than 10” long or 1” in diameter.
- It is an offense for any person to post, use or distribute political signs or literature in any area of the premises of the City Hall/Civic Center except those areas in which electioneering is allowed as described in the diagram that will be provided with the ordinance.

E. REPORT ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Pro Tem Townsend reported on the Richardson Interfaith Alliance Thanksgiving Service stating it was their first public event and it was very successful with approximately 5 different faiths represented.

Councilmember Solomon gave a reminder about the Christmas Parade on Saturday and asked if there was a contingency plan for the weather. Mr. Johnson reported that staff would be monitoring the conditions and communicate any cancellations to the community.

Councilmember Dunn gave a reminder about Santa’s Village opening on Saturday evening with the Tree Lighting.

Mayor Maczka gave kudos to the Eisemann Center and Civic and Visitor’s Bureau for the booking of *Willie Nelson* with *Asleep at the Wheel* and the Miss Texas Pageant.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In compliance with Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, Council will convene into a closed session to discuss the following:

- Deliberation Regarding Real Property
 - Property Considerations in the U.S. 75/Floyd Rd. Area

Council Action

Council convened into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

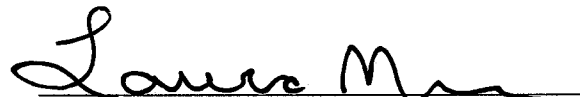
Council will reconvene into open session, and take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

Council Action

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:29 p.m. There was no action as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY

