

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING
APRIL 6, 2015

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

A. VISITORS

Jerry Harkins addressed Council to inform them of a steak cook-off and car show to take place on Main Street June 13, 2015. He requested Council's support and support of the event from the City.

The following addressed Council expressing concerns regarding regulations for group homes.

Bill Hammond
Brad Wagoner
Rajiv Shah
Kevin Balsley
Eric Southard
John Fritsche

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Maczka thanked the speakers for their comments and consistent communication to Council with their concerns. She stated that Council has reviewed this issue on many occasions and will carefully consider their concerns and comments as they deliberate the reports from staff and counsel.

B. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE REGULATIONS OF COMMUNITY AND GROUP HOMES

Assistant City Manager, Don Magner, addressed this item for Council reviewing the Fair Housing Act and cases, the City's Group and Community Home Regulations and resources, and ordinance amendment considerations. Mr. Magner requested Council direction on the following:

- Request City Council Direction: continue to utilize an administrative hearing to review requests for a reasonable accommodation or assign the duty to a board, such as the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Council Direction

Maintain administrative hearing process, but consider some type of public notification while explaining there is no opportunity for public participation.

- Request City Council Direction: maintain the maximum number of non-related occupants permitted by right in a single family dwelling at 4 or increase the maximum number of non-related occupants permitted by right to a higher number by adding new definitions to the zoning ordinance

Council Direction

Maintain the maximum number at four.

- Request City Council Direction: continue to review the location of proposed group homes on a case by case basis carefully evaluating the unique circumstances of each request and the potential impact on a neighborhood or adopt a city-wide distance separation requirement

Council Direction

Request legal counsel to draft language regarding distance requirements.

Mr. Magner explained that staff will create a Group and Community Home Resource page on the City's website that will include:

- Reasonable Accommodation Policy
- List of Occupancy, Parking, etc. regulations
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Links to resources utilized in this presentation
- List of Group and Community Certificates of Occupancy issued
- Express a Concern link

C. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE STATUS OF WATER RESTRICTIONS AND WATER QUALITY INITIATIVES

Don Magner, Assistant City Manager, reviewed this item for Council reporting on the following:

- Will remain in every other week watering in April
 - No lawn watering between the hours of 10am-6pm
- Will continue to monitor reservoir elevations and forecasts to determine a strategy for May – October
 - Anticipate lessening restrictions
 - Possibly a transition to once a week, then twice a week
 - Decision will be made in late April at the NTMWD Board Meeting

- Transition to lessen restrictions will trigger implementation of the 2014 Water Conservation Plan
 - Twice a week watering will be the new norm
 - Transition to a 3 Stage system (currently utilizing 4 Stages)
 - Increase education and outreach programs to residents and businesses to promote new plan and smart watering practices
 - Water My Yard
 - Rainwater harvesting classes
 - Fix indoor leaks workshop
 - Smart irrigation classes

Mr. Magner also reviewed water quality and monitoring strategies:

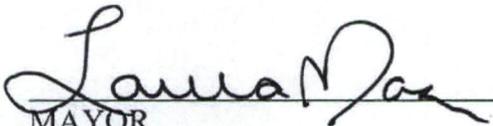
- Tank evaluations completed in February 2015; Additional evaluations planned for FY 15/16
- Storage tank mixing equipment approved and installation to be complete by June 1, 2015
- Water Quality Analyzers installed with SCADA Project to be complete by August 1, 2015
- Awareness and Educations

D. REPORT ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

There were no items of community interest reported.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY