# MINUTES RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012

# WORK SESSION — 6:00 P.M.

#### Call to Order

Mayor Townsend called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present:

Bob Townsend Mayor

Laura MaczkaMayor Pro TemMark SolomonCouncilmemberScott DunnCouncilmemberKendal HartleyCouncilmemberSteve MitchellCouncilmemberAmir OmarCouncilmember

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

Samantha Woodmancy Management Analyst

Aimee Nemer City Secretary
Kent Pfeil Director of Finance

Michael Massey Director of Parks and Recreation

Steve Spanos Director of Engineering

Jim Lockhart Assistant Director of Engineering

Brad Bernhard Project Engineer

City Manager Johnson introduced newly appointed Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish.

#### A. Visitors

There were no visitor comments submitted.

B. Review and Discuss the Final Project and Financing Plan and Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Two

# **Staff Comments**

Kent Pfeil, Director of Finance reviewed this item for Council explaining that the City Council approved the Preliminary Project and Financing Plan for TIF Zone #2 in November 2011. He stated that under state law, a Final Project and Financing Plan must be approved the TIF Zone Board and City Council. He explained that since the scope of the Final Plan is changing from the Preliminary Plan, a public hearing is required before the City Council can

take action on the Final Plan. Mr. Pfeil provided an overview of the Final Plan and proposed Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement.

#### **Council Comments**

Councilmember Mitchell inquired about the Agricultural Exemption and when that would be removed from the property. Mr. Pfeil explained that it is done by the Appraisal District. Mr. Johnson stated that it can be removed from exemption in phases based on the development of the property.

Mayor Townsend inquired about the sales tax fluctuation. Mr. Pfeil explained that the building materials for the project are included in the sales tax during the construction of the project.

Councilmember Omar stated that it was an exciting development that seems to have the right mix of uses and is moving at an accelerated pace.

# C. Review and Discuss the KCS Railroad at Lookout Drive Crossing Improvements

# **Staff Comments**

Brad Bernhard, Project Engineer, briefed Council on this item explaining that the City will coordinate with KCS Railroad to restore the crossing to a smooth grade. Mr. Bernhard reviewed the scope and schedule of the project.

#### **Council Comments**

Council commented that this project is one they are most asked about and noted that the neighborhood will be happy to get it completed.

Councilmember Omar asked about sidewalk connectivity. Mr. Johnson explained that the Staff is doing a systematic review of missing sidewalks and further information would be provided in a more comprehensive update on sidewalks.

There was some Council discussion regarding the concrete panels and asphalt overlay. Mr. Bernhard explained the need to use asphalt due to the leveling of the panels.

Councilmember Omar asked about the construction time. Mr. Bernard stated it would be 9-12 months due to coordination with KCS.

### D. Review and Discuss the Recreation Center and Aquatics User Fees

#### **Staff Comments**

Michael Massey, Director of Parks and Recreation, briefed Council on this item. Mr. Massey reviewed recommended recreation center and aquatic operation hours and membership fees as follows:

### **Recreation Centers**

Heights and Huffhines Recreation Centers 94 Hours Total:

- -Monday Friday 6:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m.
- -Saturdays 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- -Sundays 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

# Membership Rates:

### Richardson Resident

#### Non-Resident

Age Group	Annual		Daily		Annual		Daily	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
Youth (6-17)	\$25	\$35	\$3	\$5	\$50	\$70	\$6	\$10
Adult (18-54)	\$45	\$60	\$5	\$7	\$90	\$120	\$10	\$14
Senior(55+)	\$25	\$35	\$3	\$5	\$50	\$70	\$6	\$10
Family (up to 4)	\$100	\$135			\$200	\$270		
Corporate					\$70	\$90	\$6	\$8

Staff recommendations and Next Steps:

- -Heights and Huffhines Recreation Centers operate the same facility hours.
- -Membership fees increase to adjust for the surrounding comparable market.
- •Park and Recreation Commission recommended fees as presented, November 13, 2012.
- •If acceptable to the City Council, a resolution will be drafted outlining the fees and charges.

# **Aquatic Centers/Pools**

## **Heights Family Aquatic Center**

8:00 – 11:45 AM swim class programming

12:00 - 9:00 PM- Public Hours

#### **Terrace Pool**

Weekdays: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM- Public Hours

5:15 - 9:00 PM- swim class programming

Saturday and Sunday Only: 1:00 – 8:00 PM- Public Hours

**Closed Mondays** 

#### **Cottonwood Pool**

8:00 - 9:00 AM - COR Swim Practice

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - swim class/swim team

Weekdays: 1:00 - 6:00 PM- Public Hours

6:15 PM-9:00 PM-swim class programming

Saturday and Sunday Only: 1:00 – 8:00 PM- Public Hours

Closed Tuesdays

#### **Canyon Creek Pool**

9:00 – 11:30 AM - swim class programming

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11:45 AM – 12:45 PM- swim team practice 1:00 – 8:00 PM- Public Hours Closed Mondays

#### Glenville Pool

9:00 – 11:30 AM – swim class programming 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM – swim team 1:00 – 8:00 PM – Public Hours Closed Tuesdays

Staff Recommendations and Next Steps:

- -Proposed season extension Increase to 7 days of the week:
- •Increase length of season: open 1 week prior to and 1 week later than other 4 Richardson Pools.
- -Proposed fees:
- •Increased fees based higher grade facility and on surveys/research of comparable pools in the region.
- -Proposed new operation hours:
  - •Increase to maximize hours of operation.
- •November 13, 2012 Recommendation from the Park and Recreation Commission to the City Council for Hours of Operation for the Heights Family Aquatics Center including fees and charges as presented.
- •Spring 2013, Publish fees and charges in Recreation Today insert as scheduled.

#### **Council Comments**

Council discussed adding a family rate plan for the aquatic center/pools. There was a consensus of Council to add a rate of \$150 per season for a family of four. Councilmember Dunn requested that Staff monitor the use of the family rate for fraudulent use and report back to Council.

# E. Review and Discuss the 2013 Richardson Legislative Agenda

# **Staff Comments**

Assistant City Manager David Morgan briefed Council on this item stating that the City strongly supports local control, where local elected officials are tasked with raising funds and providing services to respond to the individual needs of the community they serve. Mr. Morgan explained that the City strongly supports the following general government issues and he reviewed some specific topics in each category. Mr. Morgan explained that this is a fluid list and Staff would be monitoring all legislative actions with regard to city related legislation. Mr. Morgan also reviewed anticipated legislation that the City will oppose.

- Parks
- Library
- Public Safety

- Finance
- Water
- Health
- Development
- Economic Development
- Higher Education
- Public Education
- Transportation

# **Anticipated Legislation to Oppose:**

The City of Richardson opposes and seeks to defeat any legislation that would erode municipal authority in any way or that would otherwise be detrimental to cities, especially legislation that would:

- Reduce the appraisal growth cap established in current law.
- Impose revenue caps in the form of adjusting provisions for the current property tax rollback rate.
- Create new court fees or elimination of the existing Court Technology Fee and Court Security Fee.
- Restrict the ability of cities to provide economic and efficient methods of financing city purchases and projects.
- Impose limits on the city's existing economic development authority. Limit a municipality's ability to implement and/or maintain safety camera program. The City also opposes any further diversion of proceeds from intersection safety camera programs away from local control.
- Erode zoning authority.
- Erode municipal authority over the rights-of-way or erode municipal authority to collect reasonable compensation for the use of rights-of-way

# F. Report on Items of Community Interest

## **Council Comments**

Mayor Pro Tem Maczka commended Staff on the Christmas Parade and Santa's Village specifically, CITV, parade sponsors, and the Park Staff.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

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ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY