

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 4, 2013

WORK SESSION – 6:00 P.M.:

• **Call to Order**

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

Bob Townsend	Mayor
Laura Maczka	Mayor Pro Tem
Mark Solomon	Councilmember
Scott Dunn	Councilmember
Kendal Hartley	Councilmember
Steve Mitchell	Councilmember
Amir Omar	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
Samantha Woodmancy	Management Analyst
Aimee Nemer	City Secretary
Michael Spicer	Director of Development Services
Susan Smith	Assistant Director of Development Services
Monica Heid	Community Projects Manager

A. Visitors

There were no visitors comments submitted.

B. Receive and Discuss the 2011-2012 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Presentation

Representatives from the City's independent auditing firm, KPMG, submitted the 2011-2012 CAFR to City Council noting that a clean, unqualified opinion was given with no adjustments required. Auditors also noted a clean grant report. Auditors also noted that the City is slated to earn the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for the thirty-fifth consecutive year.

Council commended City Staff.

Audit Committee Chair, Mayor Pro Tem Laura Maczka, also commended staff and thanked the Audit Committee.

C. Review and Discuss the Baseline Market Analysis, Arapaho/Collins Enhancement/Redevelopment Study

Monica Heid, Community Projects Manager, reviewed this item for Council. Representatives from SB Friedman and HDR were also present to review this item.

Ms. Heid explained that the purpose of the study is to develop a strategy for addressing underperforming flex space within the study area of Arapaho Road and Collins Boulevard. She reviewed the boundaries, existing conditions, study approach, and tentative schedule.

Mr. Friedman and his team reviewed the existing conditions; market potential; preliminary economics for redevelopment; and redevelopment assets, challenges, and potential strategies.

Ms. Heid reviewed the consultant and staff recommendations:

- Maintain and strengthen linkage to UTD
- Improve internet service
- Further analyze opportunity sites
- Consider establishing a financial assistance program for rehab/new development
- Attract support services/amenities
- Enhance curb appeal
- Re-brand or brand the study area
- Revise study boundaries (Staff recommendation)

D. Review and Discuss Neighborhood Vitality Program Project Implementation

Don Magner, Assistant City Manager, updated Council on the 2010 Bond Program stating that \$2,000,000 was allocated for Neighborhood Vitality Program projects. He explained that \$1,000,000 of savings and interest earnings from the 2006 Neighborhood Vitality Program was made available. Mr. Magner stated that project selection was based on a "Call for Projects" in the fall of 2010 in which 25 neighborhoods submitted more than \$10.7 million in requests. He said that on January 24, 2011, City Council passed Resolution 11-01 finalizing the project selection process.

Mr. Magner reviewed the status of the following projects.

North College Park	1 bridge	Construction complete
Duck Creek	1 bridge	Construction 50% complete
Mark Twain	2 bridges	Construction will commence this week
Cottonwood Heights	4 bridges (1)	Construction will commence in March
Canyon Creek	3 bridges	Preparing to go to bid in May
The Reservation	2 bridges	Concept finalized, preliminary engineering
Greenwood Hills	3 bridges (2)	Preliminary engineering
Greenwood Hills/JJ Pearce	2 bridges (3)	March kick off meeting
Arapaho Road	3 bridges (4)	March kick off meeting
College Park	End cap enhancements	Developing construction documents

Town North Park	Entry feature	Developing construction documents
Woodhaven Townhomes	Entry feature	Developing construction documents
Canyon Creek Ridge	Entry feature	Developing construction documents
Estates of Prairie Creek	Entry feature	Developing construction documents
The Pinery	Entry feature	Finalizing concept
Yale Park	Leave out screening wall	Developing construction documents
Greenwood Hills	Leave out screening wall	Developing construction documents

E. Report on Items of Community Interest

Mayor Pro Tem Maczka commented on the Hearts for the Arts event and noted how far the City has come regarding the arts.

Councilmember Hartley noted that the Pearce High School boys and girls swim teams both won district.

City Manager Johnson commented on the recent State of the City address and noted that it is available on the website and DVD copies will also be made available for homeowners associations and other community groups.

Mr. Johnson also advised Council that the Community Revitalization Awards will be presented next week.

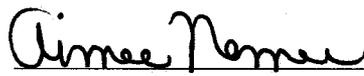
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



 MAYOR

ATTEST:



 CITY SECRETARY

