### RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013



Richardson Room Richardson Civic Center/City Hall 411 W. Arapaho Road, Richardson, Texas 75080



City Secretary

The Richardson City Council will meet at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, April 1, 2013, in the Richardson Room of the Civic Center/City Hall, 411 W. Arapaho, in compliance with Section 551.002 of the Texas Government Code (open meetings law). As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed executive session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the city attorney on any agenda item listed herein. This building is wheelchair accessible. Any requests for sign interpretive services must be made 48 hours ahead of the meeting. To make arrangements, call (972) 744-4100 or (972) 744-4001.

#### WORK SESSION -- 6:00 P.M.

- Call to Order
- A. Visitors
- B. Review and Discuss the Texas Water Development Board Presentation on Water Planning in Texas, Drought Conditions and State Funding and the Freese & Nichols Presentation on North Texas Water Supply Past, Present and Future
- C. Review and Discuss the Realtors Workshop
- D. Review and Discuss the Central Expressway/US 75 Vision Statement Guiding Principles
- E. Report on Items of Community Interest

I certify the above agenda was posted on the Bulletin Board at the Civic Center/City Hall on Friday, March 29, 2013 by 5:00 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Aimee Nemer



# City of Richardson City Council Work Session Agenda Item Summary



Work Session Meeting Date: Monday, April 1, 2013

Agenda Item: Visitors (The City Council invites citizens to address the

Council on any topic not already scheduled for public hearing.)

**Staff Resource:** Aimee Nemer, City Secretary

**Summary:** Members of the public are welcome to address the City

Council on any topic not already scheduled for public hearing. Speaker Appearance Cards should be submitted to the City Secretary prior to the meeting. Speakers are limited to 5 minutes and should avoid personal attacks, accusations, and characterizations.

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda. However your concerns will be addressed by City staff, may be placed on a future agenda, or by

some other course of resolution.

Board/Commission Action: N/A

**Action Proposed:** Receive comments by visitors.



## City of Richardson City Council Worksession Agenda Item Summary



City Council Meeting Date: April 1, 2013

Review and Discuss the Texas Water Development Board Presentation on Water Planning in Texas, Drought Conditions and State Funding and the Freese & Nichols Presentation on North Texas Water Supply

Past, Present and Future

**Staff Resource**: Don Magner, Assistant City Manager

**Summary:** Review and Discuss the Texas Water Development

Board Presentation on Water Planning in Texas,

Drought Conditions and State Funding and the Freese & Nichols Presentation on North Texas Water Supply

Past, Present and Future

Board/Commission Action: N/A

Action Proposed: N/A



# City of Richardson City Council Worksession Agenda Item Summary



City Council Meeting Date: April 1, 2013

Agenda Item: Review and Discuss the Realtors Workshop

Staff Resource: Don Magner, Assistant City Manager

Summary: An overview of the 2013 Realtors Workshop training

program will be presented. Particular emphasis will be placed on discussing the agenda and programs planned for the event, which is scheduled for April 5, 2013 at

9:00 am in the Richardson Room at City Hall.

Board/Commission Action: N/A

Action Proposed: N/A



# City of Richardson City Council Worksession Agenda Item Summary



Worksession Meeting Date: Monday, April 1, 2013

Agenda Item: Review and Discuss the US 75 Corridor Vision

**Statement Guiding Principles** 

**Staff Resource**: Dave Carter, Assistant Director

Summary: The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has

initiated a study for the US 75 corridor from I-635 to SH 121 in Dallas and Collin Counties. The project study is scheduled to be complete in September 2015 with

several major milestones in 2014.

As part of a Council briefing at the March 11, 2013 Work

Session, Richardson Staff presented a draft vision

statement for the US 75 Corridor.

Based on comments received at that Worksession and further discussion and input from Council members, Staff has refined the US 75 Corridor Vision Statement. The revised draft is attached and will be presented at

the April 1, 2013 meeting.

Board/Commission Action: N/A

Action Proposed: N/A

### Central Expressway/ US 75 Vision Statement Guiding Principles

Central Expressway is the City of Richardson's "Main Street"; its paramount transportation artery. Central Expressway traverses the heart of the community and sustains the local economy, which in turn nourishes the quality of life enjoyed by its citizens. The image the City imparts and its perception are not only substantially shaped by one's experience on Central Expressway itself, but also by one's experience within the adjoining urban fabric that comprises the highway's broader physical context. It is therefore imperative that any reconstruction of the highway be mindful of its dual role as a component of the greater state-wide transportation network as well as an essential contributor to the long-term health and vitality of the City of Richardson. It is the City of Richardson's view that this objective may be best achieved through a context sensitive approach that acknowledges the following:

- Central Expressway serves foremost as a commuter corridor serving locally-situated regional employment centers and proximate residential population. The accommodation of comparatively larger volumes of traffic, particularly commercial trucking, is better suited to true interstate corridors.
- As a commuter corridor, addressing long-term traffic projections by maintaining bidirectional congestion relief is a fundamental necessity.
- Any expansion of the US 75 right-of-way within the City of Richardson must not impair long-term planning objectives to enhance neighborhood integrity and foster on-going reinvestment, redevelopment and densification of properties that flank either side of the highway.
- Vertical expansion of US 75 through Richardson is not desirable. Any vertical expansion should be minimized to the greatest extent practicable and limited exclusively to discrete locations as necessary to provide access to or from the freeway and managed travel lanes.
- East/west, intra-city connectivity through the US 75 Corridor must be meaningfully improved by providing for safer, more attractive and comfortable pedestrian and bicycle mobility.
- While managed lanes may afford a viable solution to generate revenue for project funding, safe and efficient ingress and egress to access these lanes should be made available and maintained to benefit those individuals working, residing or visiting the City of Richardson.
- Any reconstruction or redesign of US 75 must tangibly contribute to one's sense of arrival and the City's uniqueness of place by implementing a comprehensive urban design theme that fortifies City of Richardson gateway and portal features, and which should include landscaping, enhanced pavement, specialty lighting, signage, and architectural treatments to elements such as column cladding, retaining walls, bridge bents, abutments, etc.



# City of Richardson City Council Work Session Agenda Item Summary



Work Session Meeting Date: Monday, April 1, 2013

Agenda Item: Items of Community Interest

Staff Resource: Dan Johnson, City Manager

**Summary:** The City Council will have an opportunity to address

items of community interest, including:

Expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the City of Richardson; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or

community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the City of Richardson that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the City of Richardson or an official or employee of the City of Richardson; and announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the City of Richardson that has arisen after the posting of

the agenda.

Board/Commission Action: NA

Action Proposed: No action will be taken.