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The City of Richardson's 12th annual Community Revitalization Awards program recognized 12 property owners who made a positive impact on their property and the surrounding area.

City recognizes 12 properties in annual revitalization program

Six nonresidential properties and six residences were recognized in January as part of the 12th annual Community Revitalization Awards program. The program allows the City to say "thank you" to property owners who have completed revitalization projects having a significant, positive impact on their property and the surrounding area.

The Judging Committee included Council Members Steve Mitchell and Rhea Allison; City Plan Commissioners John DeMattia and Bill Hammond; and Chris Doggett of Fobare Commercial representing the Chamber of Commerce.

Nonresidential properties that received the award included:

- Legacy Texas Bank at the northwest corner of Arapaho and Bowser. Recognized for the renovation of a building that was most recently a school. Stone veneer was added and all exterior glass was replaced.
- **Corporate Place** at the northeast corner of Arapaho and Bowser. All lobby and interior common areas were completely remodeled and the exterior was enhanced with metal accent panels and architectural canopies.
- **Guaranty Bank** at Plano and Campbell. A new building was constructed and landscaping enhanced at the site which was originally developed as a self-service gas station in the 1980s and had been vacant for two years.
- **Taco Cabana** at Central and Campbell. A major renovation was completed at the site where a McDonalds was built in 1974. The building later became a Scholotzky's. The judging panel found the site a good example of a building being refreshed and adapted for a new user.
- Richardson Motorsports, a longtime resident of the west Central corridor. The facade was reconstructed featuring architectural metal panels over a large expanse of display windows. The building is now much more visible and attractive and complies with U.S. 75 amenities guidelines.
- First United Methodist Church, also on the west side of Central. The new construction features a handsome "Texas Gothic" style, cast stone accents and standing-seam metal

roofing. A number of 50-plus year old live oak trees were retained making the church a new community landmark.

Residential awards were given to the following properties:

- The **Dolt** home on Forest Park in Canyon Creek. The Dolts demolished the 1960s-era house on the property and built a two-story, early American "Adam" style home. The central feature is a deep covered porch with white columns and railings and accented with stone-bordered landscape beds with a wide variety of plants.
- The **Dunn** residence at 710 Greenleaf. The home was recognized for a number of improvements, including a new front door and windows, stone veneer on the front facade and a porch enhancement with cedar columns. The Dunns have owned the house for more than 20 years.
- The **Herrera** residence at 507 Dover. Owned by the Herreras since 1996, the home was honored for exterior improvements including new siding, windows, door, garage door, shutters, shade tree, landscaping and a cedar arbor structure surrounded by a low stone wall.
- The **Shiner** residence at 800 Clearwater Dr. The homeowners were recognized for incremental improvements over a period of years, including new windows, doors, landscaping and the tasteful conversion of the original garage into living space.
- The **McKnight** residence at 2309 Red Oak in Spring Park North. The home was recognized for extensive renovation, updating and enhancement. The McKnights have owned the home since 1983.
- The **Penson** home at 2400 Grandview in Canyon Creek. The Penson renovation involved extensive stone and timber work as well as new windows, doors, siding and fencing.

Nominations are already being accepted for the 2007 awards. For more information, call City Planner Stephen Roberts at 972-744-4256.

Pictures of all the properties recognized in the 2006 awards program can be seen on page 2.

Briefs

IRS forms available

Income tax forms are available at the Richardson Public Library. There is no charge for the forms, and they are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

IRS telephone assistance can be obtained by calling the following numbers:

Recorded refund information:

1-800-829-4477

Form ordering only: 1-800-829-3676

Dallas main IRS office:

1-800-829-1040

Internet access:

http://www.irs.ustreas.gov

To receive forms by fax:

1-703-368-9694

The North Dallas IRS office is located at 4050 Alpha, Suite #110. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The best times to call are 8 a.m. and from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

AARP offers free tax preparation service

AARP will provide free tax preparation assistance to low and middle-income taxpayers with special attention to those age 60 and over. Counselors will be available at the following locations from Feb.1 through April 17:

Richardson Public Library Mondays—noon-4 p.m.

Audelia Public Library

Tuesdays—noon-4 p.m.

Richardson Senior Center

Fridays—noon-4 p.m.

Forest Green Library

Thursdays—11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Persons seeking tax preparation assistance should bring last year's tax return, Social Security cards, W-2 and 1099 forms and expense records as appropriate. No appointments are necessary. For other locations or more information call 1-888-AARPNOW.

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DART Public Open House

Feb. 20—6:30 p.m.
Richardson Civic Center City Hall Complex
West Conference Room

Dallas Area Rapid Transit is beginning a city-wide review of their services in Richardson. This level of review has not been done since prior to the opening of Richardson light rail stations in 2002 (although Richardson's bus service has been part of the agency's periodic system-wide service updates). The objective of the open house is to get input as to what Richardson residents want in terms of DART service, as well as to review DART's schedule, data collection, etc.



2006 Revitalization Awards winners

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Dunn residence



Herrera residence



Shiner residence



Penson residence



McKnight residence



Dolt residence



Guaranty Bank



Richardson Motorsports



Taco Cabana



Legacy Texas Bank



Corporate Place



First United Methodist Church



Lipid Profile and Glucose Screening

Screening Monday-Friday, Feb. 12-16 7-10 a.m.

Campbell Campus Medical Plaza I, Conference Center

Stop by to test your blood fats—including cholesterol, glucose and triglycerides—for just \$15. A 10-hour fast is required. No appointment necessary.

Seminar Tuesday, Feb. 20, 6:30 p.m. Campbell Campus Medical Plaza I, Conference Center

Join us for a physician-led discussion on heart disease, diabetes, prevention and how to read your lipid profile results. To pick up your results only, stop by between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. If you are unable to attend, your results will be mailed within two weeks.

City Council Action

The following is a listing of some of the main items considered by the Richardson City Council at the Dec. 18 and Jan. 8 meetings. Citizens are welcome to attend Council meetings (second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:30 p.m.) and work sessions (every Monday at 5:30 p.m.). The Richardson City Council Agenda is posted at City Hall on a bulletin board at the west end of the building and can be found on the City Web site, www.cor.net. The agenda is posted on Thursday evening prior to the Monday night meeting. You may request a copy of the agenda or request information regarding voted ordinances by calling the City Secretary's Office at 972-744-4290.

Dec. 18

The City Council took action on the following items:

Public Hearing Zoning File 0621, request by Randall D. Huggins, representing Dale F. Wamstad, Five Sparks Venture, Ltd, for PD Planned Development zoning for a mixed use development at the southeast corner of Wyndham Drive and President George Bush Highway, was unanimously approved.

Public Hearing Zoning File 0628, request by Ronald R. Schmidt, representing St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, for a special permit to allow an off-site church activity center at 900 St. Paul Dr., was unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

Approved **Ordinance No. 3585**, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance by amending the special conditions contained in Ordinance No. 3414-A for Richardson High School located at 1250 W. Belt Line Rd., the area being zoned R-1500-M Residential district, with special conditions, and providing additional special conditions, was approved.

Approved the following resolutions:

Resolution No. 06-39, adopting the City of Richardson Investment Policy.

Resolution No. 06-40, approving the terms and conditions of an interlocal agreement by and between the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative and the City of Richardson, Texas to participate in a Local Government Cooperative Purchasing Program; and authorizing its execution by the City Manager.

Jan. 8

The City Council took action on the following items:

Boards and Commissions Appointments

Hospital Authority Board

Appointed Dan Lee to a one-year unexpired term expiring Dec. 31, 2007.

Reappointed David Bonnet M.D., Andy Chaffin and Jack Hess to two-year terms ending Dec. 31, 2008.

The City Council presented the 2006 Community Revitalization Awards to the recipients. See page 1 for the list of recipients.

Public Hearing Zoning File 0631, request by David Simmons, representing Intervest Venture Group LLC, for an amendment to the concept plan and special conditions relative to the number of units for a town home residential subdivision on approximately 6.98 acres located at the northeast and southeast corners of Whitehall and Willingham drive, was approved.

Variance 0608, request by Vicky Nixon, representing EQY Invest Owner I Ltd., LLP, and Albertsons, LLC, for a variance to Chapter 16, Article V, Section 16-122(a) of the Code of Ordinances, to permit the sharing of parking spaces on Lots 1, 2, & 3 of Remington Center Addition, for properties located at the northwest corner of Buckingham and Jupiter roads, was approved.

Public Hearing Zoning File 0625, request by Richard Barge, representing Southwest GV Partners, and the City of Richardson for amendments to the existing planned development conditions for property located at the northwest corner of Spring Valley Road and Greenville Avenue, for property currently zoned PD Planned Development, was approved.

Consent Agenda

Approved the following ordinances:

Approved **Ordinance No. 3586**, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to grant a change of zoning from PD Planned Development District, with conditions to PD Planned Development District, with new conditions, on a 9.713 acres tract of land located at the northeast corner of Wyndham Lane and Infocom Drive.

Approved **Ordinance No. 3587**, amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to grant a special use permit, with special conditions as set out herein, for an off-site church activity center in an O-M Spl Office District, on the property located at 900 St. Paul Dr.

City Council election packets available from City Secretary's office

The City of Richardson City Council election is held every two years. The next election will be May 12. Election packets for prospective candidates are available in the City Secretary's office. The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot is Feb. 12. The last day to file is March 12. For further information, contact the City Secretary at 972-744-4290.

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