

**IRVING CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION  
January 10, 2007**

The Irving City Council met in work session in the First Floor Council Conference Room of the City Hall Complex on January 10, 2007. The following members were present:

Mayor Herbert A. Gears

**Councilmembers**

James Dickens

Beth Van Duyne

Allan E. Meagher

Lewis Patrick

Sam Smith

Joe Philipp

Councilman Rick Stopfer and Councilman Lowell Cannaday were not in attendance.

Mayor Gears convened the meeting at 12:00 P.M.

**1 DISCUSSION:** Review Of Regular Agenda

The Council reviewed the items posted for action at the Regular Council meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. on January 11, 2007. The following Council directions were noted.

**12** Resolution – Approving A Water Services Agreement Between The City Of Irving And Dean International, Inc. In The Amount Of \$270,000.00 Plus Allowable Expenses Not To Exceed \$30,000.00 For Creation Of A Comprehensive Analysis Of Water Related Assets

City Manager Gonzalez stated that this item could be discussed in Executive Session, but that it will be covered under Item #2 on the worksession.

**21** Resolution – Adopting A Policy Statement Related To Minority And Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) And The Purchasing Of Basic Goods And Services, Construction, And Professional Services

Councilwoman Van Duyne asked for an overview of this item.

Manager of Purchasing Ed Matthews gave a presentation on this item.

Councilwoman Van Duyne asked if the city had actually adopted a policy statement in the past.

Mr. Matthews stated no, there has been an informal strategy but this adopts a policy statement and an implementation plan will be brought back to the Council in February.

**22** Resolution – Purchases Funded In The 2006-2007 Budget

- (F) Bids – Renewal Of Bid With DFW Group, Inc. For Mowing And Litter Control For Code Enforcement And Landfill In The Net Estimated Amount Of \$27,273.00 For The Period Of March 1, 2007, Through September 30, 2007; \$42,950.00 For The Period Of October 1, 2007, Through September 30, 2008; And \$15,677.00 For The Period Of October 1, 2008, Through February 28, 2009, Subject To Funds Being Appropriated In Fiscal Years 2007-2008 And 2008-2009, To Be Used By The Inspections Department And The Public Health And Environmental Services Department

Councilman Meagher asked that when they mow residential lawns the contractors pick up the cut grass particularly in the streets.

Director of Building Inspections Gary Miller stated that he would ask the contractor to clean up after mowing.

City Manager Gonzalez recognized Gerald Daniel's work bid items D and E. Mr. Daniels negotiated with the outside vendors and saved the city an additional \$43,000.00 on their contracts.

**26** Resolution – Requesting Sign Variance Case No. S0611-0010 Located At 2810 North Belt Line Road – Barkat Jiwani, Owner Of Lucky Food Store,, Applicant

Councilwoman Van Duyne asked for an explanation of this item.

Director of Building Inspections Gary Miller presented the compromise location that does require a variance. Mr. Miller stated that staff recommends approval.

Assistant City Manager Cliff Miller stated that the sign ordinance update would be discussed at the next Planning and Development Committee meeting.

The Council expressed concern about the height of the pole sign.

Mayor Gears stated that they may ask the applicant to postpone this item for further study by staff.

- 27** Ordinance – Amending Section 33A-2 Of Chapter 33A, Entitled Landscape And Setback, Of The Code Of Civil And Criminal Ordinances Of The City Of Irving, Texas, To Delete Certain Properties Adjoining The South Right-Of-Way Line Of State Highway 183 At 1800 East Airport Freeway From The Thirty Foot Setback Provisions Of Section 33A-3 – Freeman Mazda-Hyundai, Applicant

- 28** Resolution – Requesting Sign Variance Case No. 0612-0067 Located At 1800 East Airport Freeway – Jerry Freeman, Owner Of Freeman Mazda Hyundai

Director of Building Inspections Gary Miller gave a presentation on the two items and stated that they are companion items.

There were no questions by the Council.

- 29** Resolution – Requesting An Exception To The Masonry Requirements For Property Located At 4201 North State Highway 161 (The Offices At State Highway 161 And Walnut Hill Lane) – Hardy McCullah/MLM Architects, Applicant

Senior Planner Kenneth Bloom made a presentation and stated that the poles must be wrapped in masonry and the applicant is requesting a variance. The carports will be screened by the buildings and not visible from SH 161 and additional landscaping will be added.

Mr. Bloom stated that staff recommends approval.

Councilman Philipp stated that for several years the Council has planned to look at conditions imposed by the SH 161 Overlay District as the Council has had to approve several variances. Councilman Philipp also stated that perhaps this should be a part of the comprehensive zoning review. The Council agreed.

Assistant City Manager Miller stated that staff would ask the applicant to address options for enclosing the end of each carport.

- 30** Ordinance – Zoning Case #5666 – Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) For R-6 (Single Family) Uses – An 0.165 Acre Tract Located At 2000 Meadow Lark (South Side Of Meadow Lark, East Of South Story Road) – Francis E. Lambright

Mayor Gears stated that this item would be referred back to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**34** City Manager's Report

- Introduced the new Fire Chief Mario Molina, he also recognized Mike Evitts for serving interim and for all his efforts.
- Lake Chapman Water Level – Water levels have increased because of the recent rain.
- Minimum Development Standards for Hotels – This will be coming before Council at the end of this month. Mayor Gears had questions on hotel standards status and current cases. Mr. Gonzalez stated that developments that have come forth and the city is looking at these particular projects. Director of Planning and Development Ed Barry stated that he assured the City Council that they are aware.
- New City Staff – Two positions have been filled within the Public Health and Environmental Services Department. Fred Sanderson has been hired as the new supervisor.
- San Diego Trip on January 19, 2007
- Councilman Patrick stated that Council received a copy of the state score on the Animal Shelter, this was an unannounced inspection, and the report was almost perfect. Councilman Patrick also recognized Pat Fowler for all his efforts.
- Mr. Delbert McDougal will in the City this afternoon and tomorrow; he will also be here on February 5 and 6, 2007, regarding the development of the downtown area.

**2** **DISCUSSION:** Water Supply And Drought Contingency Plan

Director of Public Works/Traffic and Transportation Jim Cline presented the item to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Cline presented the Water Supply/Drought Contingency Issues; a handout was given to the Mayor and Council.

Acting City Attorney Charles Anderson read the Mayor and Council into Executive Session at 3:10 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**3** **DISCUSSION:** Texas Stadium Developer Proposals

**4 DISCUSSION:** Approving The Mediated Settlement Agreement In U.U.S., Inc. vs. City Of Irving, Texas, Cause No. DC-05-1102-F, In The Amount Of \$150,000.00

**5 DISCUSSION:** Personnel – Acting City Attorney

Mayor Gears announced that the Council will now reconvene in Open Session. The time was 3:45 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

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Herbert A. Gears, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Janice Carroll, TRMC  
City Secretary