

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL**  
**January 24, 2008**

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Complex on January 24, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present:

Mayor Herbert A. Gears

**Councilmembers**

Thomas D. Spink

Beth Van Duyne

Allan E. Meagher

Lewis Patrick

Rick Stopfer

Sam Smith

Joe Philipp

Councilwoman Cannaday was not in attendance due to city business.

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**ORGANIZATIONAL SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Tally Parker, 1106 N. Irving Heights and John Danish, representing the Irving Veteran's Memorial Park Board stated that personal bricks are available for purchase.

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**INVOCATION**

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The invocation was delivered by Pastor Dale Patterson., Hackberry Creek Church, of the City of Irving, Texas.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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Councilman Patrick led those present in the pledge.

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**PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Special Recognition**

Mayor Gears presented a special recognition award to Wyatt Weldon a member of the Northgate United Methodist Church Boy Scout Troop 175 for over four years.

Recently, Wyatt was acknowledged for being the top seller of the Scout Show Cards in the Western Star District and used his prize money to give back to the community. He chose to buy toys for the "Toys for Tots" program and Irving's Blue Christmas program with his winnings which made it possible for less fortunate children in the area to receive a toy during Christmas.

**High Spirited Citizen**

Mayor Gears honored Gerri Kunstadt as a High Spirited Citizen. An Irving resident for more than 32 years, Gerri has been an active participant in a variety of organizations throughout the city, including Irving Symphony Orchestra, Parent Teacher Association, Las Colinas Women's Association and the DFW Humane Society.

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

## **1 City Manager's Report**

Police Chief Larry Boyd presented a PowerPoint presentation on the accomplishments for Strategic Goal No. 2 Vibrant Neighborhoods. Chief Boyd also stated that 2007 had the lowest crime rate per capita in 20 years. He detailed the reduction in each crime category and described the initiatives that contributed to the reduction which included COMSTAT intelligences, crime-free multi-housing. City Manager Gonzalez spoke on the other strategic goals.

### **Strategic Goal No. 2: Vibrant Neighborhoods**

**Community Fest** – The City of Irving will host the third annual Community Fest from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 1 at Senter Park Recreation Center, 901 S. Senter Road. The free event will provide Irving residents a day of fun and festivities with food, children's activities and entertainment. Educational booths will be available and will include city departments/services and local businesses. The event is planned by Code Enforcement, Planning and Inspections, and Parks and Recreation.

**New Neighborhood Groups** – On Jan. 22, the Corporate Communications Department assisted in the formation of a new neighborhood association, Owen Point, consisting of 257 homes. The association boundaries are Grauwlyer Road to Union Bower Road, and Milner Road to Irving Heights Drive. In addition, three homeowner's associations have joined as neighborhood groups: Colby Court Homeowner's Association, Lakeside Landing Phase II Homeowner's Association, and The Villas at Town Lake Homeowner's Association. Also, Nichols Way Neighborhood Association is rejuvenating its community efforts this year.

**City Purchase of Commercial Property** – Real Estate Services has completed the purchase and demolition of a one-story commercial building located at 1120 Senter Road. The 0.21-acre property, located adjacent to the northeast corner of Shady Grove and Senter roads, was purchased in conjunction with the adjoining park property for open space and to provide room for future gateway improvements. This land purchase was approved by the City Council on Sept. 20.

### **Strategic Goal No. 3: Economic Development**

**Groups in Irving** – The Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau welcomed the following groups to Irving: Kappa Alpha Order (Jan. 9-10); Dallas Cowboys Football Club (Jan. 12-13); State Farm Insurance Companies (Jan. 14-17); The International Association of Foundation Drilling (Jan. 16-19); Dallas Market Center (Jan. 16-22); National Burglar and Fire Alarm Association (Jan. 16-18); U.S. Marine Corps Recruiting Command (Jan. 18-20); Southwest Conference Rural Letter Carriers Association (Jan. 18-21); American Society of Anesthesiologists (Jan. 19-20); National Collegiate Athletic Association (Jan. 23-28); and TexITE of the Institution of Transportation Engineers (Jan. 23-24).

**Irving's Hospitality Industry Recognized** – Irving Mayor Herbert Gears recognized hospitality industry employees for their last-minute effort to ensure that hundreds of American troop members and their families received dinner on Christmas day. The Friday before Christmas, the Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau (ICVB) received a call from a frantic client from the USO who was in charge of providing Christmas dinner for troops traveling through DFW Airport on Christmas Day. The bureau immediately turned to the hospitality community for assistance. On Jan. 10, Gears presented proclamations to representatives from the Sheraton Grand Hotel, Wyndham DFW Airport North, Embassy Suites DFW Airport South, Capistrano's Restaurant, Subz 'N Such, i Fratelli and the ICVB for providing the necessities to ensure a hearty holiday meal. The USO is one of Irving's largest hotel customers, placing more than 20,000 soldiers annually in area hotels on their first night back in the

states or their last night before deployment. Bureau Sales Manager Katherine DiPietro oversees the military market for Irving hotels; she personally baked hams and spent a portion of her Christmas day to serve the troops at the airport.

**Job Center Workshops** – The Irving Central Library's Job Center is providing a series of free workshops to help residents brush up on the skills they need to find a job in today's marketplace. Classes take place daily at 2 p.m. Jan. 29-Feb. 1. Topics include writing résumés, interviewing, online job searching and company research. No registration is needed. Call (972) 721-2608.

**Construction Valuation Report** – During the months of October through December, the Planning and Inspections Department issued 3,942 permits of all types with a total valuation of more than \$134.63 million.

**Texas Named 2007 State of the Year** – *Business Facilities* magazine recently named Texas as the 2007 State of the Year, a new award recognizing the state with the most economically significant relocation and expansion projects of the year. The relocations of Maxim Integrated Products and Fluor Corporation to Irving were prominently highlighted as two of the five project examples that contributed significantly to earning the designation. Other Top 5 recognized states were Alabama, Michigan, Louisiana and Connecticut.

**Chamber and City Recognize Small Businesses** – More than 40 Irving small businesses were recommended for consideration to be nominated to the U.S. Chambers' Small Business of the Year for 2008. The City of Irving and Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce hosted these businesses to review the nomination process and encourage the businesses to participate. Attendees included Pete Havel, executive director of the U.S. Chamber's southwest/south central office located in Irving, and the 2007 winner for this region, Chris Mammen with Mammen Glass and Mirror.

**Ten Bears Comes to Irving** – Ten Bears, a distributor of textile products to retailers, will be consolidating three smaller locations throughout the Metroplex into 22,677 square feet of distribution space in the DFW Freeport area of Irving. The company needed a distribution facility in a central location. The new center, located at 8101 Tristar Drive, is expected to become fully operational in February.

**Nylo Hotel Coming to Las Colinas** – Atlanta-based Nylo Hotels announced plans to build its second hotel in the Dallas/Fort Worth area at the northwest corner of Royal Lane and Sierra Drive. The \$22.8 million Nylo Las Colinas will be a 200-room, five story, upscale boutique hotel. It will feature a unique loft-style ballroom with soaring ceilings and exposed brick walls. The ballroom will connect to a large outdoor courtyard and a signature restaurant and bar. The hotel plans to begin construction soon in order to open February 2009.

**Embassy Suites on the Horizon** – Q Hotels of Arlington has acquired approximately four acres at the southeast corner of State Highways 114 and 161 with plans to build a 200-room Embassy Suites Hotel.

**Keeping Irving's Orange Line on Track** – The Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Board of Directors was hosted in Irving Jan. 15 with a presentation and tour of key development projects by the City of Irving, Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce and Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District. Many of the key developments planned for the area take into account the Orange Line rail project that will run through Irving from DFW Airport to Dallas. Irving officials have strongly encouraged the DART Board to maintain its planned schedule for the Orange Line to be operational December 2011. The chamber facilitated the gathering of more than 10,000 signatures of support from Irving

residents and business leaders that Mayor Herbert Gears present at the DART Board meeting on Jan. 22. The chamber also organized buses on three occasions for Irving residents to attend DART Board meetings, which helped demonstrate Irving's goal to keep the rail line project on track.

**State of the City** – Mayor Herbert Gears will discuss Irving's 2007 accomplishments and plans for the future at the annual State of the City dinner Jan. 29 at the Dallas Marriott at Las Colinas. This year's event also will feature the many development projects currently under construction or planned throughout the city. Sponsorship information and tickets are available through the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce at (214) 217-8484.

**Irving Named Finalist for Best Real Estate Deals** – The *Dallas Business Journal* has announced that four Irving projects have been named a finalist for the Best Real Estate Deals of 2007. They are: Maxim Integrated Products, Research in Motion (RIM), TXU Energy and Avelo Mortgage. The winners will be announced at an awards banquet on Feb 28.

**Pioneer Natural Resources Expands Headquarters Lease** – Pioneer Natural Resources, an independent oil and gas exploration and production company, has extended and expanded its headquarters lease at The Towers at Williams Square. The lease is for 293,000 square feet, occupying more than 12 floors, in Williams Square's West Tower through 2020. The transaction is the largest lease in Las Colinas in more than 10 years, and one of the largest leases in a Las Colinas multi-tenant building in the development's 34-year history. A Pioneer representative stated that the facility is central for employees, convenient to the DFW Metroplex and provides a distinguished location for its corporate headquarters. Pioneer has maintained its headquarters at The Towers at Williams Square since 1991.

#### **Strategic Goal No. 4: Safe and Secure City**

**Murder Arrest** – On Jan. 10, Irving narcotics investigators located and arrested Michael Puente in connection with the heroin overdose death of 16-year-old Ana Rojas. The teenager died on Sept. 2, after ingesting a lethal amount of heroin. Puente is currently in the Irving jail charged with murder (\$50,000 bond), for providing the drugs responsible for her death. The investigators in this case quickly identified the person responsible for supplying the heroin and have spent the past several months gathering the evidence necessary to prosecute a murder charge. This arrest demonstrates the Police Department's commitment to relentlessly pursue cases of this nature in order to hold the appropriate suspects accountable.

**Burglary of Motor Vehicle Prevention** – The Police Department created a flier for Irving hotel guests to encourage them to secure items in their vehicles to prevent vehicle burglaries. This flier was developed in partnership with several hotels and motels along State Highway 114. The establishments are eagerly participating in the program to help protect the property of their guests.

**Warrant Roundup** – During the month of February, the City Marshal's Office and the Police Department will participate in a statewide warrant roundup, along with more than 160 law enforcement jurisdictions from across Texas. Notices have been mailed to persons with Irving Municipal Court warrants active against them, and beginning Feb. 16 city marshals will attempt to locate these individuals to serve these warrants.

**Paramedic Program** – Three members of the Fire Department graduated from the University of Texas Health Science Center Paramedic Program on Jan. 16. Fire Chief Mario Molina presented their certificates. The members who successfully completed this seven-month program are Hilton Barlow, C.G. "Gabe" Koonsman and Joel Schmitz. Schmitz and Koonsman were in the Top 10 of the class with a grade of 94 or higher. Koonsman, the salutatorian, received an award for the best term paper, while

Schmitz received honorable mention.

**Extrication Equipment** – Extrication equipment will be placed on all Fire Department truck companies. The new equipment will be used to free patients trapped in vehicles as well as to allow firefighters to rescue entrapped people in buildings or industrial accidents. New rams, spreaders, cutters and air bags will be placed on truck companies located strategically around the city. Firefighters are already trained in the use of the new tools.

**National Incident Management System** – Fire Department personnel recently traveled to Austin to become trainers for the National Incident Management System. Utilization of in-house trainers will allow the department to save money in training for all officers in this federally mandated management program.

### **Strategic Goal No. 6: Effective Communications**

**Spanish Town Hall Meeting** – Almost 50 people attended the City of Irving's first Spanish Town Hall Meeting on Jan. 15 at Senter Park Recreation Center. The meeting, conducted entirely in Spanish, followed the same format as the previous Town Hall meetings. The presentation updated residents on key initiatives such as public safety, code enforcement, neighborhood improvements and corridor enhancements. Audience members took the opportunity to ask questions related to immigration, code enforcement, and downtown redevelopment. Department directors and city staff were on hand to help answer questions related to their areas. Attendees received packets of information about city services and events, including a "Best of Vida Hispana" DVD produced by ICTN. *Al Dia* newspaper and Noticias Univision 23 covered the program. The meeting will air on ICTN now through the end of February.

### **Strategic Goal No. 7: Cultural, Recreational and Educational Environments**

**KidsArts Program** – This Irving Arts Center's KidsArts program is in full swing this spring, with the return of JumpstART Stories & ART, a new semester of the High School Art Lab, and new sessions of Saturday School. JumpstART Stories & ART is a joint program with the Irving Public Library. Story times are held at 10 a.m. the first Thursday of each month through April at the Irving Arts Center. February's theme is the Chinese New Year. The High School Art Lab is free and open to Irving ISD students currently enrolled in an art class. The spring semester will run through May 28. The program provides students with an opportunity to continue work on their current art class assignments, as well as participate in additional group and individual art projects. Saturday School began its second session in January, with a focus on sculpture and 3D design. A third session, focusing on choral singing, will begin Feb. 23. Saturday School is for art enthusiasts ages 6-14 and meets from 2 to 4 p.m. each Saturday.

**A Good Yarn** – In partnership with Googly Eyes & Craft Supplies, the Irving Public Library is combining the two well-loved hobbies of reading and needlecrafts to launch a new program called A Good Yarn. On the last Friday of every month from 10 a.m. to noon, knitters and crocheters of all ages and skill levels are invited to join staff and local experts to share their joy of needlecrafts and reading. For those who are new and want to learn the art of knitting or crochet, patterns and basic supplies will be provided. Bring snacks, a book to share and a work in progress to join in the fun.

**Veterans Memorial Park** – The City of Irving hosted a meeting Jan. 22 with Paul Tadlock, the sculptor for the five bronze sculptures planned for Irving Veterans Memorial Park. These sculptures are being designed in conjunction with the ROTC Units from all the Irving high schools. The sculptures will depict the five branches of the military and each sculpture will be dressed in the uniform from one of the major

conflicts beginning with World War I through the post-Vietnam Era. The meeting also provided for the review of the text and graphics for each of the memorial walls dedicated to the five major conflicts. The construction documents will be ready for bidding in April.

**Friday Night Live Teen Talent Show** – The Parks and Recreation Department will host the Friday Night Live Teen Talent Show at 7 p.m. Jan. 25 at Carpenter Performance Hall. Approximately 20 teen acts will display their talents in dance and music. Irving teens, parents and friends attend this annual event to cheer on their favorite performers. Awards are given in each category, and the “Spirited Youth Awards” will be presented to teens who have exhibited exceptional volunteer efforts and community service throughout the year. There is no cost to attend; however, teens must show their school or Irving Parks and Recreation ID card for admission.

**Sam Houston Trails Park** – Construction on the extension of Campión Trails into Valley Ranch has begun. The primary trail is being extended to the west from T. W. Richardson Grove under Valley View Lane, and the George Bush Toll Road into Sam Houston Trails Park. The trail will have a loop in the southern section of the park and will cross over the levee into Valley Ranch in the vicinity of Valley Ranch Parkway East and Ranchview Drive, adjacent to Ranchview High School. The construction includes a parking lot in Sam Houston Trail Park, which will be accessible from the west bound frontage road for Interstate Highway 635, just west of Valley View Lane. The project is targeted to be completed this fall and ready for use before the end of 2008. The project is funded through a combination of Park Bond Funds and a Dallas County Trail Grant.

### **Strategic Goal No. 8: Sound Governance**

**Eyes on Irving** – Since the inception of Eyes on Irving in mid-November, city employees have reported more than 90 issues that need to be addressed. The customer service initiative is designed to encourage City of Irving employees with a handy phone number and e-mail address to report problems they may find while out in the community. Problems that have been reported include abandoned shopping carts, code violations (outside storage, parked vehicle violations, etc.), trash/dumpsters, street and alley maintenance and graffiti.

**Microfilming Initiatives** – In the last fiscal year, the Records Management Division has completed the in-house microfilming of the following documents for the Police Department:

- 2,756 Criminal History Reports
- 7,667 Class “C” Misdemeanor Reports
- 41,508 Offense Reports

Many of these records are confidential and the staff maintains this confidentiality. This represents 194 boxes of records that were legally destroyed, and took 1,434 man hours to complete. Also in 2007, the staff filmed 7,055 permits for Building Inspections, and 16,000 patient forms and 4,281 inspection reports for the Fire Department.

**Market Adjustment Study** – Strategic Resources and Budget has recently implemented the results of the annual Market Adjustment Study. The results, which were based on 124 benchmark titles from the survey market, are as follows:

- 1,507 positions will receive a market adjustment with an overall average increase of 2.3 percent.
- 100 percent of civil service positions will receive a market adjustment averaging 4.2 percent.
- 58.5 percent of general government positions will receive a market adjustment averaging 1.1 percent.

The market-based adjustments became effective during the pay period beginning Jan. 13. Employees in the identified positions will receive their increases on the Feb. 1 pay date.

**Open Meetings Training** – The City Secretary’s Office has contacted newly appointed board and committee members in regard to open meetings training. Staff will continue to monitor compliance with all board members on this requirement.

**Cyber-Infrastructure Mini-Courses** – Information Technology staff along with other local/county governments have been participating in five-part Cyber-Infrastructure mini-training courses that will provide assistance in creating a regional environmental monitoring program for the D/FW region. These courses, funded jointly by the National Science Foundation, Department of Homeland Security, and University of North Texas, were created to bring the private sector and local/county governments together to share critical information. A roundtable discussion on the positives and negatives of Cyber-Infrastructure is held after each course. The next course will be held on Feb. 16.

### **Strategic Goal No. 9: Infrastructure Network**

**Irving Host of Engineering Conference** – The Public Works/Traffic Department is hosting the statewide Traffic Engineering Conference Jan. 24-26 at the Wyndham DFW North. More than 240 traffic engineers from the public and private sector, as well as industry vendors, are scheduled to attend. The TexITE Winter 2008 Meeting will feature technical training sessions and will give engineers an opportunity to share information in their areas of expertise.

**City Hall Fourth Floor Renovations** – As part of City Hall renovations, some of the restrooms have received updates that include new wallpaper and partitions. Restrooms that have not been updated will soon be scheduled to receive renovations as well. This is part of an ongoing effort to provide residents and employees with a nice place to visit and conduct business.

**Capital Improvement Program Activity** – For the first quarter of fiscal year 2007-08, Public Works has expended \$6.06 million on water, sanitary sewer, paving and drainage projects as authorized by the City Council.

### **Strategic Goal No. 10: Environmentally Sustainable Community**

**Electronics Recycling** – As an ongoing part of Irving’s recycling program, Irving residents and businesses can recycle their e-waste at two full-service drop-off recycling centers. Irving’s Electronic Recycling Program received 5,690 pounds of computers, monitors and related materials during the month of December. Locations for electronic recycling are the drop-off recycling centers located at O’Connor Plaza (northwest corner of State Highway 183 and O’Connor Boulevard) and across from Stein Mart on the northeast corner of MacArthur and Las Colinas boulevards.

**Christmas Tree Roundup** – This past holiday season was the 15<sup>th</sup> year that the Solid Waste Services Department collected Christmas trees from curbside and at drop-off locations throughout the city. Solid Waste Services recycled more than 1,200 trees and diverted 23,840 pounds from disposal. These trees will be ground into mulch and available to Irving residents at the Hunter Ferrell landfill.

**Neighborhood Meetings** – Solid Waste Services has held two neighborhood meetings to discuss future development options for the Hunter Ferrell Landfill. Additional meetings will be conducted over the next several months to inform residents about services provided by the department and future plans for the Hunter Ferrell Landfill.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda, items #2 through #17, were considered for approval. Mayor Gears asked if anyone wished to pull an item from the consent agenda for individual consideration.

Pam and Phil Brown, 1410 Irvin Road signed up in favor of items 4, 5, and 15E, but did not wish to speak. **Councilman Stopfer moved to approve the consent agenda, items #2 through #17. Seconded by Councilman Meagher, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 2 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-023** -- Approving The City Council Work Session Minutes Of January 9, 2008, And The City Council Meeting Minutes Of January 10, 2008
- 3 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-024** -- Authorizing The Destruction Of Obsolete Records In Accordance With The City Of Irving's Records Management Policy
- 4 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-025** -- Authorizing An Agreement Between The City Of Irving/Irving Convention And Visitors Bureau And Austin Commercial To Provide Construction Manager At Risk Services For The Irving Conference And Events Center, 850-1,000 Space Multi-Story Parking Garage And Area Development And Infrastructure In The Irving Convention And Events Center Complex
- 5 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-026** -- Approving Change Order No. 3 to The Initial Master Agreement With ADMI, Inc. For Project Management/Owner Representation Services (Owner's Oversight/Compliance Representative) For The City Of Irving Conference And Events Center Project
- 6 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-027** -- Approving The FY 2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant Agreement And Allocation To The Salvation Army
- 7 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-028** -- Approving The FY 2007-2008 Community Development Block Grant Agreement And Allocation To Metrocare Services
- 8 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-029** -- Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Interlocal Agreement Between The City Of Irving And Dallas County For Accepting A \$1,520,000.00 Trail Development Grant For The Extension Of Campión Trails Connecting Twin Wells Park And Trinity View Park
- 9 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-030** -- Approving The Reimbursement Of Capital Expenditures For Equipment, Facility Acquisition And Improvements To Streets And Highways, Libraries, Landfill, Animal Shelter, Fire Services Improvements, Police And Fire Training, A City Wide Radio System, Veterans Memorial Park, Water Street Infrastructure, Land On State Highway 183 For City Purposes And The Water System From Future Tax-Exempt Debt Obligations
- 10 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-031** -- Approving Assignment Of Rights Under A Reimbursement Agreement Originally With Hapsmith Texas And Currently With 635 Phillips Limited Partnership To DIG Grundstücks-und Wohnungswirtschafts GmbH
- 11 **Resolution No. 1-24-08-032** -- Approving An Engineering Design Services Agreement With Graham Associates, Inc., For The Design Of The Ada Street And Virginia Street Paving And Drainage Improvements Project



- 12 Resolution No. 1-24-08-033** -- Approving An Advanced Funding Agreement With The Texas Department Of Transportation For Voluntary Utility Relocation Contributions On State Highway Improvement Projects For The Relocation Of An Existing 12-Inch Water Line At State Highway 183 And Story Road
- 13 Resolution No. 1-24-08-034** -- Approving Change Order No. 1 To Texas Sterling Construction, Inc. For The Grauwlyer Road Improvements From English Street To Carl Road And 30-Inch Nursery Road Water Line Project
- 14 Resolution No. 1-24-08-035** -- Awarding A Contract To J.R. Stelzer Co. For The Rehabilitation Of Carbon Road Pump Station Ground Storage Facilities
- 15 Resolution No. 1-24-08-036** -- Purchases Funded In The 2007-2008 Budget Or Subject To Funds Being Appropriated In Future Fiscal Years
- (A) Award -- Approving Award To Mobile Command Systems, Inc. For Upgrading The Communications System In The City's Mobile Command Vehicle
  - (B) Bids -- Award Of Bid To OMB Guns And GT Distributors, Inc. For Purchase Of Handguns For The Irving Police Department
  - (C) Bids -- Renewal Of Bid With Aqua-Rec, Inc. And DCC, Inc. For Swimming Pool Chemicals - Part 1
  - (D) Bids -- Annual Bid For Iron Fittings Awarded To Metro Valve & Pipe; Ferguson Waterworks; Morrison Supply Company; And ACT Pipe And Supply
  - (E) Proposals -- Renewal Of Proposal To The Hyland Group For Destination Representation For The Irving Convention And Visitors Bureau
- 16 Ordinance No. 8891** -- Final Reading -- Granting A Franchise To ABC Cabs, Inc., dba Eagle Cab, To Operate A Taxicab Service In The City Of Irving, Texas
- 17 Ordinance No. 8892** -- Final Reading -- Granting A Franchise To Ambaco, LLC, dba Diamond Taxi, To Operate A Taxicab Service In The City Of Irving, Texas

This concludes the consent agenda approving items #2 through 17.

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## ZONING CASES

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- 18 Resolution No. 1-24-08-037** -- Street Name Change -- ZC07-0085 -- Changing The Name Of Jackson Court To Townsell Court -- Bobby Perry Of Cavalia Homes, Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. There were no speakers.

The applicant Bobby Perry, Cavalia Homes, 6136 Frisco Square Blvd #400, Frisco, Texas, presented the case.

**Councilman Meagher moved to approve the resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilman Stopfer, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 19 Resolution No. 1-24-08-038** -- Preliminary/Final Plat -- CSE-Harrington Addition -- A 9.52 Acre Tract Located At The Southeast Corner Of State Highway 161 And Walnut Hill Lane -- Glenn Engineering Corp., Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. There were no speakers.

The applicant, Bobby Stewart, CSE Commercial Real Estate, 4956 N. O'Connor Blvd., presented the case.

**Councilman Smith moved to approve the resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilman Patrick, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 20 Resolution No. 1-24-08-039** -- Replat -- The Oaks Of Irving 1st Revision -- A 3.69 Acre Tract On The West Side Of Esters Road, South Of Walnut Hill Lane -- Glenn Engineering Corp., Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. There were no speakers.

The applicant, Bobby Stewart, CSE Commercial Real Estate, 4956 N.O'Connor Blvd., presented the case.

**Councilman Spink moved to approve the resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilman Meagher, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 21 Resolution No. 1-24-08-040** -- Zoning Case #5690 -- Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) For C-W (Commercial Warehouse) Uses -- A 3.58 Acre Tract Located At 1635 East Irving Boulevard -- Sharon Barbosa-Crain, Applicant **(Postponed At The January 10, 2008 City Council Meeting)**

Mayor Gears introduced the item and stated that the applicant has requested that this item be postponed.

**Councilman Philipp moved to postpone this item to the February 7, 2008 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Stopfer, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 22 Ordinance No. 8907** -- Zoning Case ZC07-0062 -- Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) For P-O (Professional Office) District Uses -- An approximately 0.30 Acre Tract Located At 3208 North O'Connor Road -- Ralph Neal, Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition. There were no speakers.

Jason Dickenson, JM Builders, 141 Royal Park, Waxahachie, Texas, representing the applicant presented the case.

**Councilman Spink moved to approve the ordinance as presented. Seconded by Councilman Patrick, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 23 Resolution No. 1-24-08-041** -- Zoning Case ZC07-0064 -- Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) For R-6 (Single Family) Uses -- An approximately 0.15 Acre Tract Located At 610 Pin Oak Drive -- Keith And Sharon Robinette, Owners/Applicants

Mayor Gears introduced the item and stated that this item would postponed at the request of the applicant for two weeks, to the February 7, 2008 City Council meeting.

**Councilman Patrick moved to postpone the item to the February 7, 2008 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Van Duyne, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 24 Ordinance No. 8908** -- Zoning Case ZC07-0072 -- Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) For R-AB (Restaurant Including The Accessory Use Of The Sale Of Alcoholic Beverages For On-Premise Consumption) Uses -- An Approximately 0.1412 Acres Located At 5910 North MacArthur Boulevard, Suite 121 -- Ali Baba Mediterranean Grill, Inc., Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor or opposition.

The applicant, Adham Shanaa, 131 Dartmouth Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA, presented the case.

**Councilwoman Van Duyne moved to approve the ordinance as presented. Seconded by Councilman Stopfer, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

- 25 Resolution No. 1-24-08-042** -- Special Fence Project Plan #ZC07-0055 -- Approving A Variance To The Screening Fence Requirements Of Ordinance No. 8032 (Zoning Case #5261) -- Approximately 4.5 Acres Located At The Northwest Corner Of West Country Club Drive And Las Brisas Drive -- Head Construction, Applicant

Mayor Gears introduced the item and stated that the applicant has requested that this item be postponed.

**Councilman Smith moved to postpone this item to the February 21, 2008 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Spink, the motion was approved by a vote of 8-0.**

## INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

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- 26** **File No. 1-24-08-043** -- Approving An Addendum To The Economic Development Contract Between The City Of Irving And The Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber Of Commerce For The Purpose Of The Chamber To Add, Within Its Unified Economic Development Program For The City, An Additional Focus And Support For The Hispanic-Owned Business Within The City

Mayor Gears stated that this item is being pulled and referred to the Audit and Finance Committee; no action was taken.

## APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS

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- 27** Resolution -- Appointments To Boards, Commissions And Committees To Fill Two Year Terms Expiring November 2009, And To Various Unexpired Terms

There were no appointments made.

- 28** Committee And Liaison Report/Meetings

Councilman Smith stated that a Community Services Committee meeting will be scheduled for late February.

- 29** Mayor's Report

Mayor Gears reported that the Dallas Business Journal announced that four Irving projects have been named finalist for the Best Real Estate deals of 2007. The winners will be announced on February 28, 2008. Mayor Gears also announced that a Citizens Group will be formed called Irving's Green Initiatives Advisory Committee to enhance energy uses.

- 30** The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

## CITIZEN FORUM

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Doug Harper, 1117 S. Delaware, addressed the Mayor and Council regarding zoning cases. He also thanked the City Manager for the work being done in South Irving.

Frances M. Lyons, 10535 MacArthur, spoke about global positioning for satellite tracking and its impact upon individuals.

ATTEST:

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Herbert A. Gears, Mayor

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Janice Carroll, TRMC  
City Secretary