

**WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL  
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
June, 11, 2008**

The Irving City Council met in work session June, 11, 2008. The following members were present/absent:

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Herbert Gears	Irving City Council	Mayor	Present	
Beth Van Duyne	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Allan Meagher	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Lewis Patrick	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rick Stopfer	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Sam Smith	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Joe Philipp	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rose Cannaday	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Thomas Spink	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	

Mayor Herbert Gears called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM.

**Discussion Topic**

**1** Review of Regular Agenda

Irving Arts Center Executive Director Richard Huff introduced Dr. Anne-Imelda Radice, Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Mayor Herbert Gears presented Dr. Radice with an "Honorary Citizen of Irving" plaque for her years of public service and her contributions to the arts in the City of Irving, the State of Texas and the United States of America.

**1** City Manager's Report

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez deferred his report to the Regular Council meeting.

**6** Resolution -- Amending Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Irving, Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One, City of Irving and the Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District to Include Urban Center Levee Study

Councilman Rick Stopfer addressed the value of this study and safety issues.

Councilman Joe Philipp described the unique sloping on the property and the exceptions that the City is requesting as the next step in the development of the area.

**11** Resolution -- Awarding a Contract to Northstar Construction for the Construction of Irving Veterans Memorial Park

Irving Veterans Memorial Committee Chairman John Danish described the future construction plans for Veterans Memorial Park and noted that construction is set to begin in July 2008.

Managing Director Paul Gooch noted that personalized bricks may be ordered at the Parks and Recreation Department.

- 12** Resolution -- Awarding a Professional Services Contract to Glenn Engineering Corporation for the Structural and Civil Design Related to the Lake Carolyn Promenade Project

Managing Director Gooch presented this item and noted that the design guidelines had been reviewed by the Las Colinas Association and the property owners. He also stated that construction is planned to begin in January 2009 and will circle Lake Carolyn to the south and should be completed in six months.

Mayor Gears noted that this promenade will connect to the Campion Trails as well.

- 25** Resolution -- Approving Purchase From Philpott Motors for Two Hybrid Sports Utility Vehicles Through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Program

City Manager Gonzalez requested a staff presentation.

Contracts and Fuel Administration Director Ramiro Lopez described the green initiatives for the City and noted that the two Hybrid SUVs for the Water Utilities Department will save 30 percent on fuel, compared to non-hybrid models.

- 28** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC08-0011 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for Dormitory or Hotel Uses - Approximately 1.673 Acres at 8205 Esters Blvd. - Collegiate Housing Services and Metropolitan Housing, Inc., Applicants (Postponed From May 22, 2008 City Council Meeting)

Senior Planner Kenneth Bloom presented this case and noted that the applicant has requested indefinite postponement.

Council Philipp noted his concern with the request for a possible hotel conversion and suggested that the applicant be required to bring back a new zoning case if they plan to convert the dormitory in the future.

Urban Development Manager Steven Reed clarified that the applicant is aware of the restriction allowing only one use on the property at a time and that if a conversion is requested; the applicant must comply with any building code upgrades at the time of conversion.

- 30** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC08-0019 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for C-C (Community Commercial) District Uses - Approximately 0.89 Acres Located at 3202 W. Irving Blvd. - East Bluff LLC, Applicant

Senior Planner Kenneth Bloom presented this case and noted that the applicant has requested indefinite postponement.

- 32** Ordinance -- Amending the Comprehensive Plan to Change the Recommended Land

Use From "Single Family Detached, Low Density Residential" to "Single Family Attached, Medium Density Residential" Uses; Amending PUD No. 1 to Allow Additional Multifamily Acreage; and Approving Development Plan #48-Four Seasons Residences Requesting R-MF-1 (Multifamily) Uses and a Multifamily Concept Plan on a 7.73 Acre Tract Located on the South Side of O'Connor Ridge Road, North of Lena Lane - Sharon Barbosa-Crain, Applicant (Postponed From May 22, 2008 City Council Meeting)

Senior Planner Kenneth Bloom presented this item and noted that a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote is not required by the Council as the applicant has modified the request to only two-story buildings, as well as other concessions to the existing neighborhood.

Councilman Philipp questioned the difference between the original site plan and the current request and also questioned possible irrigation flow issues.

Senior Planner Bloom noted the contrast in landscaping and stated that irrigation is addressed during the platting process.

Councilman Smith commended the Planning and Zoning Commission and staff for working with the residents and developers to reach a compromise concerning this zoning request.

Councilman Philipp requested a presentation regarding the completed internal audit of the Irving Flood Control District, Section III.

Internal Auditors Marilyn Kapral and Martha Baucom presented an overview of the City's audit process and the information they have gathered through the Texas Public Information Act. Ms. Kapral noted staff's request to meet with District representatives have not been granted.

## 2 Fleet Operations

Contracts and Fuel Administration Director Ramiro Lopez presented an overview of the Fleet Operations Department which included the department's functional organizational chart, the safety and performance improvements identified through the audit, and the operational efficiencies and accountability process. He also recommended bringing the service vendor in house for increased efficiency.

Councilman Joe Philipp requested a report of any misuse of the staff fuel cards once the audit has been completed.

## **Executive Session**

City Attorney Charles Anderson read the Mayor and Council into Executive Session at 2:10 PM.

3 Land Acquisition: Land Adjacent to Fire Station No. 5

4 Legal Advice - Open Meetings Act, Executive Session Responsibilities

Review of Regular Agenda (if required)

- 10** Resolution -- Approving an Employment Agreement with the City Manager
- 33** Resolution -- Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees to Fill Various Unexpired Terms for the Building and Standards Commission and Housing and Human Services Board
- 35** Resolution -- Appointment to Irving Flood Control District, Section III, to Fill Three Unexpired Terms Expiring January 2009, and Two Terms Expiring January 2010

Mayor Gears announced that the Council will now reconvene in Open Session. The time was 4:35 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 PM

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Herbert A. Gears, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Janice Carroll, TRMC  
City Secretary