

**WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
January 11, 2012**

The Irving City Council met in work session January 11, 2012 at approximately 1:00 p.m. The following members were present/absent:

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Beth Van Duynes	Irving City Council	Mayor	Present	
Lewis Patrick	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rick Stopfer	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Gerald Farris	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Joe Philipp	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rose Cannaday	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Roy Santoscoy	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Mike Gallaway	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Dennis Webb	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	

DISCUSSION TOPIC

1 Digital Cities Award Presentation

Mike Schmitt with the Center for Digital Cities presented the 2011 Digital Cities Award to the Information Technology Department.

2 Review of Regular Agenda

- 1 Public Hearing -- Proposed Ordinance Amending Section 52-75 Definitions of Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 1144 and Amending Section 8-4 of Chapter 8 Building Standards Code of the Code of Civil and Criminal Ordinances of the City of Irving, Texas, by Amending the Definition of "Family"

Gary Miller, Inspections Director, noted the public hearing to provide citizens another opportunity for input on the proposed ordinance change.

3 City Operations Update

Larry Boyd, Police Chief, provided an update on the City of Irving's lowest crime rate in the past eight years.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 9 Resolution -- Approving Fees Related to Initial Private Ratings on the Entertainment Venue Project, Additional Analysis from the Innovation Group and PKF, and Travel If Necessary in an Amount Not to Exceed \$200,000

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the fees associated with further analysis and projections for the Entertainment Venue Project. The rating firms will provide an Initial Private Rating (IRP). This rating is not a public rating, nor is it considered a "final" rating. Assuming the City wants to proceed with the financing of the Entertainment Venue, the City can request a public rating from the rating firms. The public rating and the IRP could be different, i.e. the public rating could

be higher or lower than the IRP. Additional sensitivity analysis from the Innovation Group and revenue capacity analysis from PKF may be necessary. Estimated costs are:

- a) Fitch Rating, \$45,000
- b) S&P Rating, \$50,000
- c) Analysis, \$34,000
- d) PKF Travel, \$3,500
- e) City staff travel (if necessary), \$10,000
- f) Contingency, \$32,500

During Council and staff discussion it was determined to lower the estimated total to \$175,000 because the Fitch rating has lowered the projected costs.

- 10 Resolution -- Endorsing the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) Tournament in the City of Irving and Participation in the State of Texas Events Trust Fund

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, noted that this item has been withdrawn; the LPGA is no longer planning a tournament in Irving in 2012.

- 11 Resolution -- Approving an Addendum to the Agreement for Legal Services with Boyle & Lowry, L.L.P.

Charles Anderson, City Attorney, described services provided by Boyle & Lowry, L.L.P.

- 25 Ordinance -- Amending Chapter 27A Entitled "Personnel" of the Code of Civil and Criminal Ordinances of the City of Irving, Texas, Relating to Assignment Pay, for Eligible Police and Fire Civil Service Personnel; and Providing for a Severability Clause.

Mario Molina, Fire Chief, described the proposed changes to the assignment pay ordinance.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

- 26 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC11-0049 - Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) for C-C (Community Commercial) Uses with a Gasoline Filling Station Driveway Less Than 200 Feet from a Church - Approximately 2.12 Acres Located at 741 North Belt Line Road - BH Ben, Applicant - High Plains Children's Home, Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning

Commission. He stated that staff has worked with the applicant regarding the site but the applicant does not wish to provide the additional interior parkway area and preserve the two trees that staff and the Commission recommend be preserved.

- 27 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC11-0050 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for C-C (Community Commercial) with Outside Storage and Parking Uses - Approximately 1.68 Acres Located at 941 MacArthur Park Drive - VRB Group, LP, Applicant/Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- 28 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC11-0051 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for P-O (Professional Office) and Animal Hospital Uses - Approximately 0.768 Acres Located at 3014 North O'Connor Road - 810 JJK Enterprises, Inc., Applicant/Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The opposition represents 34.37% of the property within 200 feet. A $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the City Council is required for this request to be approved.

Council recessed at approximately 2:50 p.m.
Council reconvened at approximately 3:08 p.m.

Council moved to item 6 on the agenda in order for someone to be able to make a flight. Proceeding item 6, council will move back to item 29 on the regular agenda.

- 29 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC11-0053 - Granting S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) for ML-20a (Light Industrial) and Technical Training School Uses - Approximately 10.0 Acres Located at 2910 Skyway Circle North - Dent Zone, Applicant - Greenbriar Holdings Dallas LTD, Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

3 Genghis Khan Recap

Richard Huff, Executive Director of the Arts Center, presented the results of the Genghis Khan exhibit that was at the Arts Center last fall.

4 2011 Resident Survey Results

Johanna Mandel, Performance Audit Manager, provided an overview of the 2011 resident survey results.

5 Library Update

Casey Tate, Capital Improvement Program Director, reviewed of the Schematic Design Plans for the South Irving Library.

Council recessed at approximately 4:55 p.m.
Council reconvened at approximately 5:10 p.m.

6 Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update

Chris Wallace, Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce President, described the FY11-12 first quarter Chamber of Commerce results. Notable results included Brookdale closed on the purchase of Williams-Square and will retain Cousins Properties to manage that property. Metlife will be letting go of 860 people that manage their mortgage area. Currently there are 31 active projects the Chamber is working on for Economic Development.

7 Ethics Committee Update

Matthew Boyle of Boyle and Lowry, presented a brief review of the workings that the Ethics Committee has undertaken. He spoke a great deal regarding the collegiality of any group of members that works together and how to address things above and beyond state law, due to the fact that anything already included in state law would be redundant. The next meeting is Monday, January 16, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

8 Green Advisory Committee

Ramiro Lopez, Public Work Director, and Councilman Gerald Farris spoke regarding the Green Advisory Committee and relayed that the Committee has a passion for what they are doing and would like to become a full-time Committee. The Committee was created in 2008 as an ad hoc Committee of 18 members.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not go into Executive Session at today's work session. This item will be delayed to the next meeting.

- 9** City Attorney - Personnel
Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.074

Council adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Beth Van Duyne, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, TRMC
City Secretary