

MINUTES
Irving City Council Work Session
Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 1:00 PM
City Hall, First Floor, Council Chambers
825 West Irving Boulevard, Irving, TX 75060

The Irving City Council met in work session on October 8, 2020 at approximately 1:02 p.m. The following members were present/absent:

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Mayor Rick Stopfer	Irving City Council	Mayor	Present	
John C. Danish	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Allan Meagher	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Dennis Webb	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Phil Riddle	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
J. Oscar Ward	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Al Zapanta	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Kyle Taylor	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Wm David Palmer	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	

DISCUSSION TOPIC

1 Citizen Comments on Items Listed on the Agenda

No one signed up to speak at this meeting.

2 City Operations Update

-COVID-19 Update and City Response

Jason Carriere, Emergency Management Coordinator, presented an update on the COVID-19 pandemic and the City's response.

Joe Moses, Parks & Recreation Director, described the available recreational opportunities for Irving residents.

-CARES Act Funding Update

Tony Cao, Assistant to the City Manager, described how the CARES Act funding has been used by the City to reimburse for COVID-related city expenses.

Imelda Speck, Economic Development Project Manager, presented an update on the business assistance program and proposed changes to expand the program.

3 Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update

Beth Bowman, President/CEO of the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, provided a quarterly update. Her presentation included year-to-date recruitment, retention, and expansion wins, fourth quarter new business openings, the unemployment rate, and sub-market occupancy rates. She also described results from the International Affairs and Sister Cities program, marketing efforts, small business and site selection

assistance. Ms. Bowman outlined the Chamber's response to the COVID-19 pandemic since March.

Dr. Scott Wysong with Wysong Brand Solutions LLC, presented the year-end economic impact report and the five-year return on investment impact.

Council and staff discussed the hospitality and business industries, with many employees that are still working remotely and limitations on travel.

4 Irving Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update

Mary Anne Kellam, President/CEO of the Irving Hispanic Chamber of Commerce provided a quarterly update. Her presentation included Hispanic and minority-owned business development, marketing and communication, entrepreneurship, and growth in South Irving. She also presented videos from the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

5 Irving Boulevard Reconstruction Design Update

Imelda Speck, Economic Development Project Manager, outlined the Irving Boulevard reconstruction plan.

Quinn Spann with Graver, described the proposed design of the new public utilities and right of way streetscape to be modified after speaking with property owners.

Andrew Duggan with StudioOutside, provided an update on the public engagement phase of the project and how the comments were utilized in the design phase. He outlined the urban design organization which included landscaping, streetscapes, and parking.

Council and staff discussed parking and undergrounding utilities when available.

6 Proposed Ordinance Amendments for Carports Encroaching into Setbacks to be Allowed by Special Exception

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, detailed the proposed ordinance amendments related to the allowance of carports by special exception by the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

Council recessed at approximately 3:06 p.m.

Council reconvened at approximately 3:20 p.m.

7 Fiscal Year 2022 Employee and Retiree Compensation and Benefits Discussion Series

James Childers, Assistant City Manager, reviewed the timeline for the Fiscal Year 2022 Employee and Retiree Compensation and Benefits Discussion Series which will include the various retirement funds, employee compensation and classification, and health insurance and other city paid benefits.

Councilman Ward asked for the totals paid by the city for each city paid benefit and total salaries paid for FY19-20.

Chris Hillman, City Manager, provided additional information on the retirement funds, the compensation study and healthcare premiums.

8 Review of Regular Agenda

CONSENT AGENDA

- 13** Resolution -- Approving Agreements Between the City of Irving and the Irving Police Athletic League for the Conveyance of the Property Located 1007 N. O'Connor Road (The Former Texas National Guard Armory Building)

Jeff Spivey, Police Chief, outlined the transfer of 1007 N. O'Connor Road to the Police Athletic League (PAL) and the various PAL programs available.

- 40** Resolution -- Approving the Purchase from Maverick Harley-Davidson of Thirteen 2020 Harley Davidson Police FLHTP Motorcycles in the Total Estimated Amount of \$352,525.80 through the State of Texas Local Government Statewide Cooperative Purchasing Program (BuyBoard)

James Childers, Assistant City Manager, provided information on how the trade in proceeds are allocated back to the Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

- 44** Resolution -- Sign Variance Case S2008-0026 - Considering a Sign Variance to Allow a 150-Foot Tall Flag Pole that Does Not Display the United States Flag - Property Located at 1000 East Airport Freeway - Clay Cooley Nissan, Applicant/Owner

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval.

- 45** Resolution -- Temporary Use Permit G2009-0004 - to Allow Temporary Unscreened Outside Storage at the Property Located at 4100 West Airport Freeway from October 9, 2020 through April 7, 2021 - Walmart, Applicant and Owner

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval.

- 46** Resolution -- Temporary Use Permit G2009-0003 - to Allow Temporary Unscreened Outside Storage at the Property Located at 1635 Market Place Boulevard from October 9, 2020 through April 7, 2021 - Walmart, Applicant and Owner

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval.

- 47** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC20-0046 - Considering a Proposed Zoning Change from S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) District for C-C (Community Commercial) Uses to S-P-2 (Generalized Site Plan) District for C-C (Community Commercial) Uses - Approximately 20.45 Acres Located at 1635 Market Place Blvd - Kimley-Horn, Applicant; Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust, Owner (Postponed from September 17, 2020)

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council convened into executive session pursuant Section 551.071, Section 551.072, and Section 551.087 of the Texas Local Government Code to discuss the below items, and item No. #16 on the regular agenda at approximately 4:20 p.m.

- 9** Legal Advice - Bear Creek Development Corporation Loan Agreement – Open Meetings Act § 551.071
- 10** Economic Development Negotiations - Project Cool Air – Open Meetings Act § 551.087
- 11** Economic Development Negotiations - Project NG – Open Meetings Act § 551.087
- 12** Real Estate Negotiations - 401 E. Irving Blvd. - Open Meetings Act § 551.072

Council reconvened from executive session at approximately 5:21 p.m.

Council adjourned the meeting at 5:21 p.m.

Richard H. Stopfer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, TRMC
City Secretary