

**WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 19, 2014**

The Irving City Council met in work session February 19, 2014 at 1:00 PM. The following members were present/absent:

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Beth Van Duyne	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	
Joe Putnam	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rose Cannaday	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Brad M. LaMorgese	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Gerald Farris	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Thomas Spink	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	

DISCUSSION TOPIC

1 Review of Regular Agenda

1 City Operations Update

A proclamation was presented to the Emergency Management team as Severe Weather Awareness week, March 2-8, 2014.

On-the-Spot awards were presented to Chris Wood, Kevin West, Guss Biaze, Clarence Burton, Wayde Hunter, Jason Wess, Ralph Alba, Jerry Garcia, Tom Blakehorne, Alvin Robertson, Angel Rodriguez, and James Carlise for their great work and expertise in clearing the ice from the fourth floor parking garage in order for the city to be able to conduct the holiday celebration. Due to the unforeseen weather circumstances, the fourth floor of the garage iced over, which was the designated site to launch the fireworks.

Dan Vedral, Traffic and Engineering Director, announced that 114 and MacArthur signal updates are complete, SH 183 RFPs are due to TxDOT, and construction should begin before years end. There will be a TxDOT meeting tomorrow night off of Finley from 5-8 pm.

Susan Rose, Communications Director, announced upcoming Town Hall meetings scheduled for Monday, March 3 at 6:30 pm at Lee Park and the other Tuesday, March 18 at 6:30 pm at Mustang Park Rec Center.

Case Tate, Director of the CIP Team, presented updates on two CIP projects. First, he discussed the road work on O'Connor from 183 to Rochelle. On Thursday, February 20, a contractor will begin working on sidewalks, driveway access points, and retaining walls. Steel tying will continue in preparation for a large concrete pour that is scheduled for Saturday, February 22. Next, he covered the South Irving Library. Concrete has been poured in the basement area and additional structural piers will soon be drilled. Shortly after, plumbing will be installed in the

basement floor area.

Doug Janeway, Chief Development Officer, advised the Council that as TxDOT prepares for construction there will be four buildings coming down off of the highway: Jack in the Box, an old Mayflower building, the Source Corp. building, and an industrial commercial building.

2 Heritage Crossing Update

Kevin Kass, Redevelopment and TIF Administrator, announced there was community approval to develop a long-term parking strategy for downtown, staff and Gateway Planning continue to work together, and the downtown façade program and sign enhancement program continues to gather applications and be discussed.

CONSENT AGENDA

16 Resolution -- Approving an Escrow and Easement Relocation Agreement Between the City of Irving and the Irving Baylor Hospital Authority for Drainage Improvements

Casey Tate, Director of the CIP Team, noted a copy of the Escrow and Easement Relocation Agreement is provided in the Council Work Session binders. The easement location will cut diagonally through the hospital property.

23 Resolution -- Approving Second Amended and Restated Development Agreement Between the City of Irving and Mortenson Development, Inc., for the Construction of the Irving Convention Center Hotel

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, presented for items 23 and 24. She indicated that Mortenson is continuing to negotiate with their lenders and work out their term sheets. Mortenson has announced that Starwood will be the operator; without the amendment the deadline would expire on February 28. If they do not meet the deadline the agreement with them will automatically terminate.

27 Resolution -- Approving a Revised Interlocal Cooperative Agreement Between the Cities of Irving and Grand Prairie Relating to Water and Wastewater Service

Todd Reck, Director of Water Services, stated this is an ongoing agreement with Grand Prairie located at Beltline and Trinity Blvd. Grand Prairie has asked us to provide water service to this location and the area helps us by providing better circulation to our water system.

40 Ordinance -- Appointing of Alternate Judges to the Irving Municipal Court

Judge Rodney Adams, Presiding Municipal Judge, indicated that the vetting process includes the candidate must be a resident of the state, citizen of the U.S., licensed attorney, at least four years of experience, and must be a registered voter in the City of Irving.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

41 Resolution -- Approving an Agreement for Marketing and Economic Incentives for the 2014 ATP Irving Tennis Classic with ATMX, LLC in the Amount of \$180,000

Chris Wallace, Executive Director of the Greater Irving Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, spoke regarding items 41 and 42. Mr. Wallace indicated these items are related and tennis is the fastest growing sport in the U.S.

The Irving Tennis Classic occurs March 10-16 at the Four Seasons Hotel and Resort. It has been branded the Irving Tennis Classic. The funding will be used for court structure, infrastructure, and site preparation. The return on investment to the City is \$220,000 to the Irving brand.

The Texas Wild 2014 World Team is a fan friendly match that families can attend. The organizers have moved their offices to Irving. The event will occur at the Four Seasons Hotel and Resort during the month of July. The return on investment is \$8 million in media coverage, to include newspaper, media, and social media. The request is for the City to provide venue funds for site preparation, stadium structure, parameter security, court resurfacing to WTT Standards, storage, restroom trailers, video scoreboards, etc. Return on investment to Irving is the city name on wild logo, the city to be recognized on live streaming from wild home matches, the city will receive opening and closing billboards on wild highlight shows on CBS 11, 26 box seats tickets to all wild home matches, and more.

Although an unusual economic incentive it does create a sporting venue that makes good business sense for Irving.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

43 Resolution -- Approving Sign Variance Case #S1305-0009 to Replace a Manual Fuel Price Sign with a Digital Fuel Price Sign - Property Located at 8375 North Belt Line Road - Hunter Graphics Inc., Applicant - 7-11 Inc., Owner (Postponed from January 9, 2014)

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval.

- 44 Resolution -- Approving Sign Variance Case #S1311-0020 to Replace One Manual Fuel Price Sign with One Digital Fuel Price Sign - Property Located at 3997 North Belt Line Road - Hunter Graphics Inc., Applicant - Nassar SAFA Investments LLC, Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval, subject to the total sign area being no greater than 152 square feet.

- 45 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC13-0025 - Granting ML-20A (Light Industrial) Uses - Approximately 31.47 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Royal Lane and Tristar Drive, and Approximately 9.09 Acres Located at the Northeast Corner of Royal Lane and Wayside Drive - GSR Andrade Architects, Applicant - Jackson-Shaw, Owner

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

- 46 Ordinance -- ZC13-0048 - Approval of a TOD (Transit Oriented Development) Detail Plan for North Shore, Phase 1 - Approximately 7.121 Acres, North of Lake Carolyn Parkway and East of Las Colinas Boulevard - Fram Building Group, Applicant Tract 10 Properties LP, Owner

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

- 47 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC13-0058 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for R AB (Restaurant with the Attendant Accessory Use of the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for On-Premises Consumption), Convention Center, Retail, Entertainment, Hotel Restaurant and Related Uses - Approximately 16.787 Acres Located North of Fuller Drive and West of West Las Colinas Boulevard - the Ark Group of Irving, Inc., Applicant - City of Irving, Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission with the stipulations that the site plan be revised as outlined.

APPOINTMENTS AND REPORTS

Council recessed at approximately 3:25 p.m.

Council convened the TIF Board #5 meeting at approximately 3:42 pm before convening back into regular session.

Council reconvened at approximately 3:44 p.m.

2 Affordable Care Act

Ike Obi, Human Resources Director, presented a review of how the Affordable Car Act (ACA) will impact the City. A power point presentation is available electronically upon request.

3 Home Restoration Program

Vicki Ebner, Assistant Director Community Resources, presented on the Home Restoration Program and explained how the program works. A power point presentation is available electronically upon request.

4 Update on Transportation RFP

Dan Vedral, Traffic and Engineering Director, presented an update on the Transportation RFP and asked the Council how they would like to proceed forward. Council directed the City Manager to bring back a contract for the Council to approve.

5 Urban Center Development Requirements

Steven Reed, Assistant Director of Development Services, presented five key recommendations to Council for consideration:

- a) "Zone the entire Urban Center for mixed use under a single Supplementary Declaration (SD) and single complementary zoning ordinance"
- b) Prioritize undeveloped sites between Lake Carolyn and SH-114 for 8-story minimum office/residential use
- c) Focus new retail on specific sites
- d) Reserve remaining waterfront sites for higher value, high rise mixed use
- e) Require new development to include specific design standards

6 Natatorium Update

Joe Moses, Recreation Manager, presented the timeline of City of Irving, IISD, and DCCCD developing a partnership to build and operate a natatorium dating back to 1981. In September 2013, North Lake notified the other partners of their desire to exit the partnership. There has been a one year extension for all parties to continue to run the facility through 2014. The one year extension expires December 31, 2014 for the partnership and North Lake will exit the aquatics operation at that point. Staff presented this to Council so that they can begin discussions on how they would like to transition the management of this location, if that is what the Council decides to do. The Council is in favor of keeping this available for our community after they have been able to determine costs of investments towards the natatorium.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council convened into executive session pursuant to Section 551.087 and Section 551.071 of the Texas Local Government Code at approximately 5:23 p.m.

- 7 Economic Development - Consider Economic Incentives for the North Shore Development
Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.087
- 8 Legal Advice - Petition Under Section 11.13, Texas Tax Code
Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.071

Council reconvened from executive session at approximately 5:58 p.m.

Council adjourned the work session at 6:00 p.m.

Beth Van Duyne, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, TRMC
City Secretary