

**MINUTES**  
**Irving City Council Work Session**  
**Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10:00 AM**  
**City Hall, First Floor, Council Chambers**  
**825 West Irving Boulevard, Irving, TX 75060**

The Irving City Council met in work session on March 25, 2021 at approximately 10:00 a.m. The following members were present/absent:

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Mayor Rick Stopfer	Irving City Council	Mayor	Present	
John C. Danish	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Allan Meagher	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Mark Zeske	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	

Mayor Stopfer called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 am.

Councilman Palmer joined by zoom.

**DISCUSSION TOPIC**

**1 Citizen Comments on Items Listed on the Agenda**

The following individuals signed up to speak on items on the agenda:

Sharon Barbosa-Crain, 2608 Alan-a-Dale, Irving, TX- Item 26

**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. He also provided information on the vaccine rollout plan for City employees and the status of the Irving/Grand Prairie vaccination site.

Council convened into executive session pursuant Section 551.071, Section 551.072 and Section 551.087 of the Texas Local Government Code to discuss Work Session item No. 7 at approximately 10:09 a.m.

Council reconvened from executive session at approximately 10:56 a.m.

**3 Review of Regular Agenda**

CONSENT AGENDA

- 4** Ordinance -- Amending Ordinance No. 2020-10372 Providing Budget Adjustment #3 to the 2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget

Shannon Phillips, Budget Manager, outlined the proposed amendments to the FY20-21 budget.

- 6** Resolution -- Approving a Resolution Opposing House Bill 754 and Any Other Legislation that Would Impair the City's Ability to Maintain a Multi-Family Licensing and Inspection Program in the 87Th Texas Legislative Session

Council and staff discussed the negative impact this bill and other proposed state legislation would have on City revenues.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

- 23** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC20-0071 - Considering a Zoning Change from C-N "Neighborhood Commercial" District to S-P-1 (R-AB) "Detailed Site Plan - Restaurant with the Attendant Accessory Use of the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for On-Premises Consumption" - Approximately 2,418 Square Feet Located at 4070 N. Belt Line Road, Suite 162 - Mumtaz Abbasi, Applicant; Cottonwood Crossing LP, Owner; JAH Realty, LP, Agent

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.

- 24** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC20-0072 - Considering a Zoning Change from S-P-2 (IP-AR) "Generalized Site Plan - Industrial Park - Airport Related Uses" to S-P-2 (C-C) "Generalized Site Plan - Community Commercial and Hotel and Related Uses" - Approximately 2.44 Acres Located at 7501 Esters Blvd. - JDJR Engineers & Consultants, Inc., Applicant; Gopal LAXMI, LLC and Pratima, LLC, Owners

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.

- 25** Ordinance -- Zoning Case ZC21-0001 - Considering a Zoning Change from R-6 "Single Family Residential" to S-P-2 (R-6) "Generalized Site Plan - Single Family Residential" - Approximately 6,080 Square Feet Located at 525 Roberts Ave. - Erika Campos, Applicant; Erika Campos & Felix R. Villatoro Cruz, Owners

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.

- 26** Ordinance -- Amending the City of Irving Unified Development Code (UDC) Sections 2.4.2 "Reserved" and 2.5.2 "Reserved" to Add a New 2.4.2 "Residential Land Use Table" and 2.5.2 "Nonresidential Land Use Table"

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the proposed ordinance changes.

- 27** Ordinance -- Amending the City of Irving Unified Development Code ("UDC") Section 3.1.4. (Accessory Structures - Setbacks) to Allow Certain Accessory Structures on Vacant Residential Lots in Specific Circumstances

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the proposed ordinance changes.

Council recessed at approximately 11:35 a.m.

Council reconvened at approximately 12:45 p.m.

Councilman Palmer left the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

#### **4 Fiscal Year 2022 Employee and Retiree Compensation and Benefits Discussion Series**

- Texas Municipal Retirement System Overview
  - Cost of Living Adjustment Overview

Colin Davidson with TMRS, provided an overview of the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) plan in the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS).

Council and staff discussed how COLAs affect purchasing power of retirees.

- Pension Obligations Bonds Discussion

This item was not discussed at this meeting.

- Future Fiscal Years

This item was not discussed at this meeting.

**5 Proposed Upcoming Unified Development Code Ordinance Amendments**

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the proposed ordinance changes.

Council and staff discussed home-based businesses regulations and variances for townhomes.

**6 Irving Future in Focus (Budget, Services & 5-Year Outlook):**

- Planning and Community Development

Jocelyn Murphy, Planning & Community Development Assistant Director, presented the Planning Division's current budget, services, and a five-year outlook for the department related to personnel, service enhancements, 5-year Future in Focus and budgetary needs.

DeLiza Gierling, Community Development Manager, provided information on the Community Development Division, the services provided, FY19-20 accomplishments and future plans.

Council and staff discussed the importance of community outreach.

- Inspections

Wayne Snell, Inspections Director, presented the Inspections Department's current budget, services, and a five-year outlook for the department related to personnel, service enhancements, 5-year Future in Focus and budgetary needs.

Council and staff discussed the need for new technology to ensure contractors and homeowners know the inspections process, building materials, and other services Inspections provides.

- Library

Cary Siegfried, Library Director, presented the Library Department's current budget, services, and a five-year outlook for the department related to personnel, service enhancements, 5-year Future in Focus and budgetary needs.

Ben Toon, Senior Library Services Manager, presented information on the Operations and Facilities Division, including information on each library, staffing and recent enhancements.

Corine Barberena, Senior Library Services Manager, provided information on the Community and Collections Division, including information on physical and digital collection size, online learning, research, and community engagement.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council convened into executive session pursuant Section 551.071, Section 551.072 and Section 551.087 of the Texas Local Government Code at the beginning of the meeting.

- 7** Legal Advice, Real Estate Negotiations, and Economic Development Negotiations - Entertainment Center  
Open Meetings Act § 551.071, § 551.072, and § 551.087

Council adjourned at approximately 4:08 p.m.

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Richard H. Stopfer, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Shanae Jennings, TRMC  
City Secretary