

**RICHLAND HILLS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 25, 2018  
MINUTES**

Roll Call:

Council present:

Edward Lopez, Mayor  
Travis Malone, Place 1  
Allison Barger, Mayor Pro Tem  
Curtis A Bergthold, Place 3  
Roland Goveas, Place 4  
Athena Campbell, Place 5

Council Absent:

Staff

Eric Strong, City Manager  
Cathy Bourg, City Secretary  
James Donovan, City Attorney

**REGULAR SESSION – Mayor Edward Lopez Called to Order – Time 7:18 p.m.**

**Invocation** – Mayor Lopez

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**1A. Citizen Appearances/Public Comments**

**(Citizens who have signed a card to speak to the City Council will be heard at this time. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject matter of the presentation is on the agenda, the city staff and City Council members are prevented from discussion of the subject and may respond only with statements of factual information or existing city policy. Public comment will not be taken on items that the Council has previously considered in a public hearing.)**

Donald Obeidin, 6708 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on his street since Rena was blocked off. He would like to see 20 mph signs, speed bumps and left turn signal at Rufe Snow and Baker to turn on green.

Pam Obeidin, 6708 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic on her street. She is concerned about her grandchildren playing in the yard.

Evelyn Maenner, 6709 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on her street. One of her vehicles was hit while on the street.

Virginia Martinez, 6735 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on her street and Matthews. She is concerned about her grandchildren playing in the yard.

Christopher Garcia, 6712 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on his street. He is concerned about children playing in the yard.

Jesus Diaz, 6717 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on his street.

Brandy Garcia, 6712 Park Place Dr., spoke regarding traffic and speeding on her street. There have been two cars hit and she is concerned about the safety of children.

### **1B. Presentation of Service Award**

Mayor Lopez presented a 15 year Service Award to Sergeant Kirk Hamm with the Richland Hills Police Department.

### **1C. Fire Department Pinning Ceremony**

Cathy Bourg, City Secretary administered the Oaths of Office to the following Fire Department Officers:

- John Daniel – Fire Fighter
- Michael Ferguson – Fire Engineer
- Shelby Brock – Fire Captain

### **2. Executive Session: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.071, Sec. 551.072, Sec. 551.073, Sec. 551.074, Sec. 551.076, Sec. 551.087 and Sec. 418.0183 (f) and 418.106 (d) & (e) of the Texas Government Code (Texas Disaster Act).**

None at this time.

### **3. Discussion of Committees of the Council**

Eric Strong, City Manager and Mayor Lopez discussed the results of the survey for the following Committees of the Council: Communications, Finance and Infrastructure & Development.

Mayor Lopez recommended the following appointments for action at a future meeting:

- Communications Committee – Councilmember's Malone and Goveas
- Finance Committee – Councilmember's Goveas and Campbell
- Infrastructure/Development – Councilmember's Barger and Bergthold

### **4. Consider Ordinance 1357-18, Approving Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Amendment**

Eric Strong, City Manager discussed Ordinance 1357-18, approving FY 2017-2018 budget amendment related to the Water-Wastewater Fund, Traffic Safety Fund, Crime Control District and Park Improvements.

Mayor Lopez discussed a letter he received from a 5 year old, Miss Nina Grace. Nina wrote a nice letter to the Mayor letting us know the playground is in need of mulch.

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Goveas, and seconded by Councilmember Campbell to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

## **5. Discussion and Presentation of Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Annual Budget**

Eric Strong, City Manager and Staff gave a presentation on the General Fund for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Annual Budget. The following department goals, significant budget changes, supplemental requests and capital requests were discussed:

- ◆ Municipal Court – Alicia St. Cyr, Municipal Court Clerk
- ◆ Administration – Eric Strong, City Manager
- ◆ Police Department – Kim Sylvester, Interim Police Chief
- ◆ Crime Control and Prevention District – Chief Sylvester
- ◆ Fire Department – Russell Shelley, Fire Chief
- ◆ Streets – Scott Mitchell, Director of Neighborhood Services
- ◆ Library – Chantele Hancock, Library Director
- ◆ Parks and Recreation – Jason Brown, The Link Manager
- ◆ Community Development – Russell Shelley, Fire Chief
- ◆ Animal Control – Scott Mitchell, Director of Neighborhood Services
- ◆ Legislative – Eric Strong, City Manager
- ◆ Shared Services - Eric Strong, City Manager
- ◆ Building Maintenance - Eric Strong, City Manager
- ◆ Link Revenues/Expenses - Jason Brown, The Link Manager
- ◆ Non-Departmental Shared Services

There was general discussion among Council regarding the 2018-2019 Budget and related items.

**6. Motion was made by Councilmember Bergthold, and seconded by Councilmember Campbell to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0.**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Lopez declared the meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

**ATTEST**

**APPROVED**

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Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

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Edward Lopez, Mayor