

**RICHLAND HILLS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 8, 2019
MINUTES**

Roll Call:

Council present:

Edward Lopez, Mayor
Douglas Knowlton, 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
Candice Edmondson, Assistant City Manager
Betsy Elam, City Attorney

WORK SESSION – Mayor Lopez Called to Order – Time 6:00 p.m.

1. **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

2. **Discussion of items and presentations listed on tonight's City Council Agenda.**

7A. Discussion on FY 19-20 Budget

Mr. Strong gave a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget. The following items were discussed:

- Major Revenue Sources
 - Property Tax: \$2,400,000
 - Sales Tax: \$3,150,000
 - Makes up 77% of our General Fund Revenue
- Sales Tax Top 10 and Sales Tax Growth
 - Since 2013, sales tax has increased by 87%
- Property Tax and What it Provides
 - Current Rate: .54188
 - Total Rate: 2.590279
 - Avg. Value: \$118,269

- Total Avg. Tax Bill: \$3,063.50
- City Portion: \$640.87 (Voter approved debt \$107.77 and Operations \$533.10 with an average of \$44.42 per month and what it provides)
- Capital and Supplemental Requests
 - Utility Fund – Scott Mitchell, Director of Neighborhood Services
 - Crime Control Prevention District – Chief Kim Sylvester

Mayor Lopez called for a break. Time 6:56 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION – Mayor Lopez Called to Order – Time 7:00 p.m.

Invocation – Councilmember Knowlton

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Knowlton, and seconded by Councilmember Bergthold to reorder the agenda by moving 1B above 1A and remove 2B from the consent agenda.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

1B. Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation

Mayor Lopez presented a Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation to Jason Brown, The Link Manager.

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.)

Deborah Rodgers, 2635 Mimosa Park Drive, requested having discussions on rules and regulations for Airbnb's in Richland Hills.

CONSENT AGENDA

2A. Approval of minutes from the June 24, 2019 City Council Meeting

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell and seconded by Councilmember Goveas to approve the consent agenda.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

**2B. Approval of Resolution No. 512-19 in support of the Richland Hills/Birdville
ISD Safe Routes to School grant application**

Eric Strong, City Manager presented Resolution No. 512-19 in support of the Richland Hills/Birdville ISD Sage Routes to School grant application.

Chris Keating, 3216 Dreeben Drive, spoke against the proposed sidewalk on east side of Dreeben Drive and elementary school.

Julie Mitchell, 3116 Dreeben Drive, spoke against the proposed sidewalk on east side of Dreeben Drive.

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

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, MEETINGS, AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

3A. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 1394-19 a zoning text amendment to subsection 3.02, Use Chart, to delete food processing as an allowed use in the Business Park District

Eric Strong, City Manager presented Ordinance 1391-19 a zoning text amendment to subsection 3.02, Use Chart, to delete food processing as an allowed use in the Business Park District.

Mayor Lopez opened the Public Hearing: Time: 7:27 p.m.

Travis Malone, 2641 Mimosa Drive, spoke in favor of deleting food processing from the Business Park.

Mayor Lopez closed the Public Hearing: Time: 7:28 p.m.

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell, and seconded by Councilmember Goveas to approve Ordinance 1394-19 deleting food processing from the Business Park.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

4A. None

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, BID AWARDS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

5A. None

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6A. None

REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

7A. Discussion on FY 19-20 Budget

Eric Strong, City Manager presented the following funds:

- The Oil and Gas Fund
- The Richland Hills Economic Development Fund
- The Citizen Option Road Enhancement Fund (streets)
- The Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund
- The Court Technology Fund
- The Court Security Fund

There will be Richland Hills Development Corporation and a Crime Control Prevention District meeting on August 12th to review and approve budgets as well as another budget update to City Council.

COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS

- Thank you to everyone in our community that came out and participated in the Patriotic Parade, Richland Hills Red White & You!, and the Family 4th celebration and fireworks.
 - Lunch Bunch – Thursday, July 11th
 - Senior Trip – Texas Civil War Museum / Gypsy Scoops Ice Cream Parlor – July 10th at 12:30 p.m.
 - Senior Trip – Winstar Casino – July 22nd at 9:00 a.m.
 - Bulk Waste Collection – August 19th
 - Visit the Richland Hills Animal Shelter to look for your next fur baby
 - Vax Shack at the Animal Shelter – 4th Thursday of each month
- 8. 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

- 9. A motion was made by Councilmember Barger, 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 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST

APPROVED

Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

Edward Lopez, Mayor