

**RICHLAND HILLS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 7, 2016  
MINUTES**

Roll Call:

Council present:

Bill Agan, Mayor

Council Absent:

Roland Goveas, Place 1

Allison Barrette, Place 2

Robert DeSoto, Place 3

Beverly Williams, Place 4 (Arrived 6:09 p.m.)

Edward Lopez, Mayor pro-tem

Staff

Eric Strong, City Manager

Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

Betsy Elam, City Attorney

**WORK SESSION – Mayor Bill Agan 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).**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Barrette, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to convene into executive session. Time: 6:01 p.m.

Motion carried by a vote of 3-0. Councilmember Goveas and Councilmember Williams absent.

Mayor Agan reconvened into open session. Time: 6:24 p.m.

2. **Discussion of FY 2016-2017 Budget**

Eric Strong, City Manager gave a presentation of the FY 2016-2017 Budget. The following was discussed:

- ◆ Revenue
  - Values up significantly
  - Sales Tax
  - EMS Revenue
  - Recreation Fees

- ◆ Property Tax
  - 2015 Property Tax Rates
  - Property Tax Comparison
- ◆ Reserves
- ◆ 6Stones
- ◆ Senior Programming

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

None at this time.

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

**Invocation** – Mayor Agan

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Councilmember Barrette

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1A. Administer Oath of Office to Council Place 4**

Cathy Bourg, City Secretary administered the Oath of Office to Beverly Williams, Councilmember Place 4.

**1B. PRESENTATIONS**

**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.)**

Gerald Page, 2915 Scruggs Park spoke in favor of a Proclamation declaring July 4<sup>th</sup> Pat Jermyn Day.

**1C. Presentation of 15 year Service Award to Jonathan Robinson, Police Sergeant with the Richland Hills Police Department.**

Mayor Agan presented a 15 year Service Award to Jonathan Robinson, Police Sergeant with the Richland Hills Police Department.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**2A. Approval of minutes from the May 17, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.**

**2B. Consider resolution supporting a Municipal Setting Designation application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for property located at 600 North Beach Street, Fort Worth, Texas.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to approve all consent agenda items.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Goveas absent.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS, MEETINGS, AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

**3A. None at this time.**

## **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

**4A. Consideration of a Proclamation declaring July 4<sup>th</sup> Pat Jermyn Day.**

Eric Strong, City Manager presented a Proclamation declaring July 4<sup>th</sup> as Pat Jermyn Day in the City of Richland Hills.

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Goveas absent.

## **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, BID AWARDS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

**5A. None at this time.**

## **OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**6A. Consider appointments to Boards and Commissions.**

Eric Strong, City Manager presented information regarding appointments to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to reappoint Places 1-5 with the current members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

- Place 1 – Ricky Head
- Place 2 – Sanjay Mathew
- Place 3 – Travis Malone
- Place 4 – Chris Utchell

- Place 5 – Curtis Bergthold

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Goveas absent.

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to reappoint Ricky Head as the Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Goveas absent.

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember Barrette to reappoint Brent Peck as Alternate 1 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Goveas absent.

## **REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS**

### **7A. Discussion regarding FY 2016-2017 Budget.**

Eric Strong, City Manager continued the work session discussion of the FY 2016-2017 Budget.

- ◆ Compensation Study
- ◆ Ambulance Billing Processes

Russell Shelley, Fire Chief gave a presentation regarding the City's current ambulance billing processes. Chief Shelley provided background information, current billing practices, current practices comparisons, a plan going forward (*balance billing all patients, sending delinquent accounts to collections, and reporting to the credit bureaus*) and the impacts.

### **7B. Update on July 4<sup>th</sup> Activity.**

Jason Moore, Assistant to the City Manager gave an update on the July 4<sup>th</sup> Activities.

- New Event Location will be at Richland Middle School
- Parade route will be in the Newsletter
- Food will be provided
- Asking parade participants to not throw candy
- Council will be handing out T-Shirts
- Event will be held on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

## **8. COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS**

- Bulk Waste Collection – May 16<sup>th</sup> collection still delayed due to region wide storm damage.

- Lunch Bunch – Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> – Starting in July, only once a month Lunch Bunch on Thursday's.

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None at this time.

**10. A motion was made by Councilmember DeSoto, and seconded by Councilmember Lopez to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0.**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Agan declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

**ATTEST**

**APPROVED**

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Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

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Bill Agan, Mayor