

**RICHLAND HILLS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 25, 2017
MINUTES**

Roll Call:

Council present:

Bill Agan, Mayor
Travis Malone, Place 1
Allison Barger, Mayor Pro Tem
Curtis A Bergthold, Place 3
Place 4, Vacant
Athena Campbell, Place 5

Council Absent:

Staff

Eric Strong, City Manager
Cathy Bourg, City Secretary
Betsy Elam, City Attorney

REGULAR SESSION – Mayor Bill Agan Called to Order – Time 6:01 p.m.

Invocation – Mayor Agan

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENTATIONS

1A. Citizen Appearances/Public Comments

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.)

No Speaker

1B. Presentation of Service Award to Michael Irizzary

Mayor Agan presented a 10 year Service Award to Captain Michael Irizzary with the Richland Hills Fire Department.

CONSENT AGENDA

2A. Approval of minutes from the September 11, 2017 City Council Meetings.

2B. Approve final reconciliation of expenses for the Link Project.

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Bergthold, and seconded by Councilmember Barger to approve the consent agenda.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, MEETINGS, AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

3A. None at this time.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

4A. Consider Ordinance 1336-17 adopting the Annual Budget for FY 2017-18

Eric Strong, City Manager presented Ordinance 1336-17, adopting the Annual Budget for 2017-2018.

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

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

4B. Consider Ordinance 1337-17 adopting the tax rate for FY 2017-18

Eric Strong, City Manager presented Ordinance 1337-17, adopting the tax rate for FY 2017-2018.

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Bergthold, and seconded by Councilmember Campbell to approve as follows: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.563738 which is effectively a 7.99% percent increase in the tax rate."

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

4C. Consider and act upon adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Richland Hills, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bond, Series 2017; Levying an annual ad valorem tax for payment of said bond; authorizing execution of a paying agent/registrar agreement and deposit agreement; Providing an effective date; And enacting other provisions relating to the subject.

Boyd London with Hilltop Securities gave a presentation regarding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017.

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Malone, and seconded by Councilmember Campbell to approve Ordinance 1338-17.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, BID AWARDS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

5A. None at this time.

OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6A. Ratify vote approving tax rate.

Motion: Motion was made by Councilmember Malone, and seconded by Councilmember Bergthold to ratify vote approving tax rate.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

6B. Consideration of appointments to Boards and Committees.

Councilmember Malone nominated Erick Sabin for reappointment to Planning and Zoning Commission Place 1.

Councilmember Campbell nominated Ricky Head for reappointment to Planning and Zoning Commission Place 5.

Councilmember Bergthold nominated Jackson Durham for appointment to Planning and Zoning Commission Place 3.

Councilmember Campbell nominated Dr. William Anderson for reappointment to Animal Shelter Advisory Board Place 1 - Licensed Veterinarian.

Councilmember Campbell nominated Kay Fisk for reappointment to Animal Shelter Advisory Board Place 3 - Municipal Officer.

Councilmember Campbell nominated Kris Freudiger for reappointment to Animal Shelter Advisory Board Place 5 – Animal Shelter Volunteer.

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

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

7A. None at this time.

8. COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS

- Town Hall Meeting – October 23rd 6:00 p.m. City Hall
(Discussion – November Special Election regarding Police and Fire pay)
- Animal Shelter Splash & Dash – September 30th 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Texas Night Out – October 3rd
- Community Recycling Event – October 7th 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Bulk Waste Collection – October 16th
- 6Stones Event – October 20th and 21st
- Take Back Meds Day – October 28th 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Lunch Bunch – 2nd Tuesday of each month
- Empowering Seniors - October 6th 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(First Eules Campus West, 205 North Industrial Blvd., Bedford)
- TXDOT Public Hearing – October 5th 6:00 p.m. at The Link
(I-820 and SH 121 Interchange in NE Tarrant County Roadway Reconstruction)

9. 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.

10. A motion was made by Councilmember Bergthold, and seconded by Councilmember Campbell to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Agan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

ATTEST

APPROVED

Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

Bill Agan, Mayor