

**WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE IRVING CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 11, 2013**

The Irving City Council met in work session December 11, 2013 at approximately 1:00 p.m. The following members were present/absent:

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Beth Van Duyne	Irving City Council	Mayor	Absent	
John C. Danish	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Allan Meagher	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Dennis Webb	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Joe Putnam	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Rose Cannaday	Irving City Council	Councilwoman	Present	
Brad M. LaMorgese	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Gerald Farris	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	
Thomas Spink	Irving City Council	Councilman	Present	

DISCUSSION TOPIC

1 Review of Regular Agenda

1 City Operations Update

On-the-Spot awards were presented to Police Lt. Richard Gilmette; Danny Crosby, Parks and Libraries; and Detrick Burns, Fleet Maintenance

Jose Moses, Recreation Manager, spoke regarding two awards that were presented to the Parks and Recreation Department from the Texas Recreation and Park Society (TRAPS) North Region recognizing the Special Events team.

Drew Arnold, a representative of Accela, presented Shane Burton, Interim IT Director, an award for 1st Place - Digital Cities on behalf of the Center for Digital Government.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 9 Resolution -- Approving an Agreement with Sculptor Paul Tadlock in the Amount of \$58,850.00 to Produce a Sculpture as an Addition to the Irving Veterans Memorial Park**

Casey Tate, Capital Improvement Program Director, confirmed that staff will review various stages of production of the sculpture.

- 15 Resolution -- Approving Second Amendment to Agreement Between the City of Irving and American Traffic Solutions for Automated Red Light Program Services Contract and Right of Way Use**

John Danish will abstained from a vote on this item and has filed an abstention affidavit with the City Secretary's Office prior to the vote.

- 19 Resolution -- Approving the Purchase from Dell in the Amount of \$228,722.00 for the Scheduled Replacement of 226 Computers through the State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Purchasing Agreement**

Councilwoman Cannaday asked if the old computers were able to be donated to families or organizations in need.

Shane Burton, Interim IT Director, clarified that the donation program is no longer in place due to licensing restrictions with Microsoft that do not transfer from City use to personal use. She did confirm that old computers are recycled and the City receives a greater return than if they were auctioned.

- 21 Resolution -- Approving the Purchase from Freese and Nichols, Inc., for GIS Editing Services in the Amount of \$65,688.00 through the H-GAC PlanSource Cooperative Agreement

Shane Burton, Interim IT Director, detailed the current issues with the GIS mapping used by the Fire Department for dispatching and confirmed the work done with Freese and Nichols should rectify the issues.

Victor Conley, Interim Fire Chief, described the manual process the Fire Department uses when the GIS program is down.

- 25 Resolution -- Approving a Sales Contract in the Amount of \$15,456.00 for the Acquisition of an 3.739 Acre Public Recreation and Trail Easement Located at 420 W. Hunter Ferrell Road for the Lone Star-Campion Trail Connector Project - Herman H. and Willi Jimma Plattner Partners, Ltd., Property Owner

Casey Tate, Capital Improvement Program Director, confirmed that this is one of the final easements needed to connect Campion Trail to the trail system in Grand Prairie.

- 27 Resolution -- Approving a Contract with CarCharging Holdings, LLC for Management of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Melissa Baker, Public Works Administration Manager, confirmed that there are no costs to the City for this two-year agreement.

- 42 Ordinance -- Budget Adjustment #1 to the 2013-14 Fiscal Year Budget

Bret Starr, Budget Administrator, provided an overview of the budget adjustments for FY 2013-14.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 47 Resolution -- Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Irving, Bear Creek Development Corporation, and La Buena Vida Foundation to Construct and Operate a Collaborative Youth Housing and Youth Leadership Program in the Amount Not to Exceed \$430,000.00

Vicki Ebner, Housing and Human Services Manager, presented an overview of the program for transitional housing for homeless students while they complete high school.

Chris Allen with La Buena Vida Foundation described the conditions in which students find themselves without a home.

Council recessed at approximately 3:25 p.m.

Council reconvened at approximately 3:43 p.m.

- 51 Resolution -- Accepting Private Funding Commitment of ARK Group of Irving, Inc., Related to the Construction of the Entertainment Center

Jim Blagg, Interim Community and Economic Affairs Team Director answered questions from the council for clarification of the private funding terms with ARK Group related to the Construction of the Entertainment Center.

- 52 Resolution -- Approving a Revised Economic Development Incentive Agreement Between the City of Irving, Texas, and ARK Group of Irving, Inc., in an Estimated Value of \$36,371,000

Jim Blagg, Interim Community and Economic Affairs Team Director answered questions from the council for clarification of the incentive agreement with ARK Group.

- 53 Resolution -- Approving First Amended and Restated Lease Agreement Between the City of Irving, Texas and ARK Group of Irving, Inc., for the Entertainment Center

Jim Blagg, Interim Community and Economic Affairs Team Director answered questions from the council for clarification of the lease agreement with ARK Group.

- 54 Ordinance -- Providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Irving, Texas, Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, in One or More Series, in the Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$25,000,000; Approving and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement, a Deposit Agreement and a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement; Approving and Authorizing the Distribution of an Official Statement; and Prescribing Other Matters with Respect Thereto

- 55 Ordinance -- Providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Irving, Texas, Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue Bonds, in One or More Series, in the Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$40,000,000; Approving and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement, and a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement; Approving and Authorizing the Distribution of an Official Statement; and Prescribing Other Matters with Respect Thereto

Max Duplant, Chief Financial Officer, described the bond rates available for the sale of these bonds.

ZONING CASES AND COMPANION ITEMS

- 56 Resolution -- Approving Sign Variance Case #S1305-0009 to Replace Four Manual Fuel Price Signs with Two Digital Fuel Price Signs - Property Located at 8375 North Belt Line Road - Hunter Graphics Inc., Applicant - 7-11 Inc., Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, stated that the applicant in this case requested to postpone this item until January 9, 2014.

- 57 Ordinance -- Zoning Case #ZC13-0047 - Granting S-P-1 (Detailed Site Plan) for R-AB (Restaurant with Attendant Accessory Use of the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for On-Premises Consumption), Convention Center and Related Uses - Approximately 15.5 Acres Located at 500 W. Las Colinas Boulevard - City of Irving, Applicant/Owner

Ken Bloom, Chief Planner, presented the applicant's request, noting staff recommends approval per the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

2 Transportation Planning, Project Selection & Funding

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation for the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), presented to the council an update of the construction on SH 183/SH 114. He also described the Transportation Alternatives Program which focuses on bicycle and pedestrian facilities and other regional programs that will impact Irving.

Bill Hale with TxDOT confirmed TxDOT is progressing with the SH 183 project as well as the SH 161 improvement.

Council discussed the future funding options for future projects including the Diamond Interchange and Irving Boulevard.

Dan Vedral, Traffic and Transportation Director, presented an update of the transportation projects on the local level and the future needs on highways and rail systems.

3 Transportation Public Policy RFP Update

Dan Vedral, Traffic Engineering Director, provided an overview of the process for narrowing transportation requests for proposals. Best and final offers were requested from Capitol Insights Inc. (D.C. Convention) and D.C. Strategic Consulting Inc. (Public Policy and Irving Summit).

Steve McCullough, Interim City Manager, recommended that the Council take a year off from the Summit to re-evaluate how they would like to proceed and whether or not the Summit should continue to be held in Irving and who should be the service provider

to consult the staff. Council concluded they would like to run this thought through Transportation and Natural Resource Committee that will be held January 9, 2014.

4 City of Irving Comprehensive Plan Update

This item is being postponed to the next work session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council convened into executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Local Government Code at approximately 4:42 p.m.

5 Legal Advice - Farmers Market
Open Meetings Act § 551.071

6 Legal Advice - South Irving Library
Open Meetings Act § 551.071

Council reconvened from executive session at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Council adjourned the work session at 5:45 p.m.

Beth Van Duyne, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, TRMC
City Secretary