

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

CITY OF RICHMOND

The City Commission for the City of Richmond, Texas met in a Joint Workshop Session with the Development Corporation of Richmond on October 24, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Moore proceeded to call the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor
Barry Beard, Commissioner
Carl Drozd, Commissioner and
Josh Lockhart, Commissioner.

Commissioner Jesse Torres was not in attendance.

A quorum of the Development Corporation of Richmond Board of Directors was present with the following directors in attendance:

Evalyn W. Moore, President
Barry Beard, Director
Carl Drozd, Director and
Robert Haas, Director.

Directors Verge Greenwood and Joe Bonham were not in attendance.

Also in attendance were, Terri Vela, City Manager, Rob Tobias, Director of Economic Development, Gary Mitchell and Luis Nunez of Kendig Keast Collaborative, Regina Morales, Central Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce, and Gary W. Smith, City Attorney.

Rob Tobias reviewed the plan for the tour. The assembled members discussed the city limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the city; the scope of the strategic plan, annexation strategy and its potential impact on development.

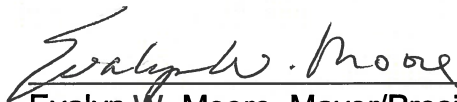
During the tour, Rob Tobias introduced topics and led discussions on the downtown area, including 300-308 Morton Street, parking issues and the possibility of façade loans; developer interest in the old fire station; the County Justice Center complex; Liberty Center; Williams Way corridor; Veranda development; I-69 corridor; River Pointe development; Williams Ranch; the Berry Tract and the George Foundation development; Del Webb; Fort Bend Country Club and the Wal-Mart area; FM 762

access issues; Highway 90A corridor, the former proposal of Friendswood Development and the Smith estate property; FM 359 corridor; and North Richmond, Catholic Charities, Boys and Girls Clubs, and Attack Poverty.

The members urged defining terms so that all understood the discussion of "mixed use." The opportunity to establish preferred employment types was discussed with the opportunity to focus on employment types that multiply employment. Developing future infrastructure to encourage and facilitate development was discussed.


Tour completed at 11:20. As there was no further business to come before the Development Corporation of Richmond or the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned. The motion was made by Carl Drozd and seconded by Josh Lockhart.

Approved:



Evalyn W. Moore, Mayor/President

Attest:



Laura Scarlato, City Secretary