

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR PRO TEM LEIGH ANN TURNER
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND
COUNCIL MEMBER BRENT FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE
COUNCIL MEMBER YOLIE RODRIGUEZ

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY
CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
POLICE CHIEF CHUCK STEWART
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TODD HENDERSON

ABSENT:

MAYOR DARREN HOUK

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Pro Tem Turner called the Special Called Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

CM Holland delivered the Invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Pro Tem Turner led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and the Texas Flags.

4. READING OF PROCLAMATION(S) AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY MAYOR.

NONE

5. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR ANY AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AN DURING THE MEETING BY RAISING YOUR HAND TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY NOTED ON THIS AGENDA, THE CITY COUNCIL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO LIMIT ITS RESPONSE WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC FACTUAL INFORMATION, RECITING THE CITY'S EXISTING POLICY ON THAT ISSUE, OR DIRECTING THE PERSON MAKING THE INQUIRY TO VISIT WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT THAT ISSUE, AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.

NONE

6. **CONSENT AGENDA** ALL ITEMS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL FOR THE "CONSENT AGENDA". THESE ITEMS ARE OF A ROUTINE NATURE AND REQUIRE ONLY BRIEF DELIBERATION BY COUNCIL. **COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANY ITEM ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DELIBERATION**

- A. APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 REGULAR CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
- B. APPROVE RESIGNATION OF JACK ALLEN AS THE ALTERNATE 4 MEMBER ON THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

CM Claridge moved, seconded by CM Holland to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-B. All voted "Aye".

7. DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DELIBERATION.

NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS/ACTION FROM PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. ACTION FROM SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE #1437-2024 AFFIXING AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF RIVER OAKS, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AT THE RATE OF \$0.675827 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00), AND FOR DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR A DATE ON WHICH SUCH TAXES BECOME DUE AND DELINQUENT TOGETHER WITH PENALTIES AND INTEREST THEREON; PROVIDING FOR PLACE OF PAYMENT; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF THE TAX ROLLS RECEIVED TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

The proposed tax rates of the surrounding cities were provided to the council. The Maintenance & Operations is approximately \$16.85 more on an average home of \$100,000.00.

CM Holland moved, seconded by CM Claridge to approve Ordinance #1437-2024. All voted "Aye".

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #1129-2024 AUTHORIZING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) EXPENDITURES FROM THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AS QUALIFIED FOR PROJECTS MORE THAN \$10,000.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SECOND READING)

This is the second reading.

CM Claridge moved, seconded by CM Forester to approve Resolution #1129-2024. All voted "Aye".

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE #1438-2024 AMENDING THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY EXPANDING FUNDS FROM THE COMMUNITY CENTER DOLLAR DONATION FUND IN ORDER TO PROVIDE UPFRONT COSTS IN HOLDING A SPECIAL CITY EVENT.

Big Tex, a Tex Mex Band, out of Abilene has been hired. Each person that pays will be given wrist bands. We will only accept cash. The credit card machine is not portable and is not located near the front door. Can look at other methods of payments in the future.

CM Claridge moved, seconded by CM Rodriguez to approve Ordinance #1438-2024. All voted "Aye".

CORRESPONDENCE:

11. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CM Claridge-asked about the sale of the street signs. PWD Henderson-we collected a little over \$3,000.00 and we are still selling them during City Hall hours. CM Holland liked the interaction of the residence. CM Rodriguez said it was very well organized. Mayor Pro Tem Turner complimented the staff on the organization.

PC Stewart-Officer Martinez is participating in the 911 memorial that will be done on September 14th at 8:25 a.m. in the Burnett Building that is in downtown Fort Worth which is 40 stories tall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

12. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSIONS(S) FROM TIME TO TIME ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY AS PERMITTED BY LAW DURING THIS MEETING. THE COUNCIL MAY CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Section 551.071 Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek advice from attorney;
- b. Section 551.072 Discussion regarding possible sale, lease or acquisition of real estate;
- c. Section 551.074 Personnel matters – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an Officer or Employee,
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

NONE

RECONVENE:

13. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

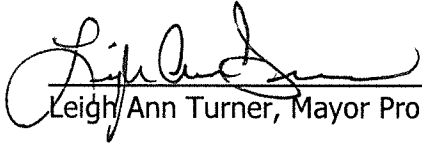
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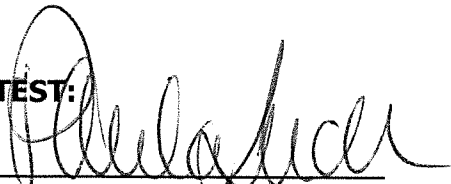
At 6:28 p.m., Mayor Tem Turner adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:



Leigh Ann Turner, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Paula Luck, City Secretary