

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
AUGUST 14, 2023**

WORK SESSION

The City Council of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas met in work session on the 14th day of August at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Workroom prior to the 7:00 p.m. regular Council meeting.

Present:	Oscar Trevino	Mayor
	Tito Rodriguez	Place 1
	Rita Wright Oujesky	Place 2
	Suzy Compton	Place 3
	Mason Orr	Place 4 (present at 5:36 p.m.)
	Blake Vaughn	Associate Mayor Pro Tem, Place 5
	Scott Turnage	Deputy Mayor Pro Tem, Place 6
	Kelvin Deupree	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 7
Staff Members:	Paulette Hartman	Deputy City Manager
	Karen Manila	Assistant City Manager
	Caroline Waggoner	Assistant City Manager
	Alicia Richardson	City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer
	Maleshia B. McGinnis	City Attorney
Staff Absent:	Mark Hindman	City Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trevino called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. DISCUSS ITEMS FROM REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn inquired about the budget work session minutes.

City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer Alicia Richardson informed City Council the minutes will be on the September 11, 2023 agenda.

2. DISCUSS REQUEST TO CONSIDER SCHEDULING TOWN HALL MEETINGS AS A FORM OF CITIZEN INPUT.

Mayor Trevino informed City Council that Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn asked for

this item to be placed on work session.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn said that during his campaign he visited with citizens who shared their views about the city. Citizens in the southern portion of the city felt excluded with the emphasis of development in the northern part of the city. He shared that citizens felt it was futile to bring their concerns/requests to the City Council. He believes that citizens may be more inclined to approach elected officials if provided a less formal method (town hall meetings). The town hall meetings could be held at various areas of the city and attended by the mayor and one council member to provide updates about the city.

City Council discussed utilizing the city's social media platforms, website and printed material to share information with the entire community and receive comments from the public; the ability for the public to express concerns to their elected officials through phone, email, and in-person meetings if they prefer a less formal method than City Council meetings; the importance of providing factual and accurate information to citizens when responding to concerns; the best way to educate the public about a program, concern, or legislation is to communicate the information to the entire community versus town hall meetings; and how the city engages citizen interaction with the citizen survey.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn commented that he organized his own town hall meeting because there was no interest to conduct such meetings. The meetings could provide a forum to discuss specific subject matters. He disagrees with the city's process of staff responding to citizen concerns and [blind] copying the City Council. He also disagrees with the advice provided by legal counsel regarding the Open Meetings Act with respect to the citizen responses.

Mayor Trevino stated that the agenda was not posted to discuss the Open Meetings Act. He asked City Attorney Maleshia McGinnis to follow up on the comment regarding the city's policy and the Open Meetings Act. Mayor Trevino confirmed that the majority of City Council did not want to move forward with town hall meetings.

3. PRESENTATION TO PROVIDE A DESIGN PROGRESS UPDATE FOR THE NRH20 GREEN EXTREME REPLACEMENT ATTRACTION.

City Council received a design progress update for the Green Extreme replacement from NRH20 General Park Manager Frank Perez.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. SECTION 551.087: DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS - 7656 BOULEVARD 26

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Mayor Trevino announced that City Council would conduct Executive Session following the announcements during the regular City Council meeting.

Mayor Trevino adjourned work session at 6:00 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trevino called the meeting to order August 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:	Oscar Trevino	Mayor
	Tito Rodriguez	Place 1
	Rita Wright Oujesky	Place 2
	Suzy Compton	Place 3
	Mason Orr	Place 4
	Blake Vaughn	Associate Mayor Pro Tem, Place 5
	Scott Turnage	Deputy Mayor Pro Tem, Place 6
	Kelvin Deupree	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 7
Staff Members:	Paulette Hartman	Deputy City Manager
	Alicia Richardson	City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer
	Maleshia B. McGinnis	City Attorney
Staff Absent:	Mark Hindman	City Manager

A.1 INVOCATION

Council member Turnage gave the invocation.

A.2 PLEDGE

Council member Turnage led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

A.3 SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S) AND RECOGNITION(S)

There were no items for this category.

A.4 CITIZENS PRESENTATION

Mr. Matt Reed, 5145 Gentling Place, North Richland Hills, commented about his concern with crime in the city, decreasing affordability of homes, and quality of life.

Ms. Melanie Rose Eischeid, 6021 Parker Boulevard, Apartment 2302, North Richland

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Hills, spoke in support of backyard chickens.

Ms. Pamela Smith, 7621 North Forty Road, spoke in support and the health benefits of backyard chickens compared to commercial chickens.

A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to speak from the public.

A.6 REMOVAL OF ITEM(S) FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVED

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn inquired about the process of preparing the minutes and when they should be approved.

City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer Alicia Richardson stated that minutes of the regular City Council meetings are prepared and placed on the next regular scheduled City Council agenda for consideration and approval. The work session minutes of the budget are prepared from notes taken at the meeting. The budget work session minutes are delayed due to competing priorities of the office.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WRIGHT OIJESKY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

B.1 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 24, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

B.2 APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH ITERIS INC., FOR CUMULATIVE PURCHASES FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$245,775 USING BUYBOARD CONTRACT #695-23 AND DIRECT PURCHASES FROM ITERIS INC., FOR SOLE SOURCE PRODUCTS.

- B.3 APPROVE ADDITIONAL PURCHASES FOR AUDIO VISUAL HARDWARE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER FROM DESIGNS THAT COMPUTE DBA VISIONALITY FOR \$73,601.68 UTILIZING THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) COOPERATIVE CONTRACT NO. 200904 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$326,380.18.**
- B.4 AUTHORIZE AN INCREASE IN THE AGREEMENT WITH RED RIVER TECHNOLOGY, LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IT2301 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$156,518 UTILIZING DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES COOPERATIVE CONTRACT DIR-TSO-4167 FOR A CUMULATIVE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$795,016 FOR THE CURRENT BUDGET YEAR.**
- B.5 AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FROM W. DOUGLASS DISTRIBUTING, LTD., DBA JACK RAY OIL CO., USING TARRANT COUNTY ANNUAL CONTRACT NO. 2023-070 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$850,000.00 ANNUALLY.**
- C. PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- C.1 ZC23-0067, ORDINANCE NO. 3800, PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM JOEL MALDONADO FOR A ZONING CHANGE FROM AG (AGRICULTURAL) TO R-2 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) AT 8424 FRANKLIN COURT, BEING 0.23 ACRES DESCRIBED AS LOT 17, THOMAS PECK SUBDIVISION.**

APPROVED

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Planning Clayton Comstock to introduce the item.

Mr. Comstock informed City Council the applicant is requesting a zoning change of R-2, single-family residential, for 0.23 acres located at 8424 Franklin Court. The area is designated on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan as low density residential and the current zoning is agricultural. Mr. Comstock provided site photos of the property.

Applicant representative Joel Maldonado, 3616 Greenway Drive, Bedford, TX informed City Council he is requesting a zoning change to allow the construction of a primary residence for his family.

Mr. Comstock presented staff's report. The Planning and Zoning Commission, at their August 3, 2023 meeting, recommended approval with a vote of 6-0.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. There being no forms submitted, Mayor Trevino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak for or against the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR PRO TEM DEUPREE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ORR TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3800.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

C.2 ZC23-0070, ORDINANCE NO. 3801, PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM TINA TRAN FOR A ZONING CHANGE FROM C-1 (COMMERCIAL) TO R-2 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) AT 5033 WYOMING TRAIL, BEING 0.64 ACRES DESCRIBED AS LOTS 1A AND 2, BLOCK N, RICHLAND OAKS SUBDIVISION

APPROVED

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Planning Clayton Comstock to introduce the item.

Mr. Comstock informed City Council the applicant is requesting a zoning change for 0.64 acres located at 5033 Wyoming Trail. The area is designated on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan as low density residential and the current zoning is C-1, commercial. Mr. Comstock provided site photos of the property.

Applicant representative Tina Tran presented the request for the zoning change. If approved, the applicant will construct three single-family homes with a minimum of 2,000 square feet and maximum of 2,500 square feet.

Mr. Comstock presented staff's report. The Planning and Zoning Commission, at their July 20, 2023 meeting, recommended approval with a vote of 7-0.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. There being no forms submitted, Mayor Trevino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak for or against the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WRIGHT OUJESKY, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COMPTON TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3801.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

C.3 ZC23-0072, ORDINANCE NO. 3802, PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM RICK FIGUEROA FOR A SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR A TRANSITIONAL PARKING LOT AT 6412 DAVIS BOULEVARD, BEING 6.93 ACRES DESCRIBED AS TRACTS 2A2, 2A2F, 2C1, 2C1D, AND 2C1D1, JOHN H. BARLOUGH SURVEY, ABSTRACT 130.

APPROVED

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Planning Clayton Comstock to introduce the item.

Mr. Comstock informed City Council the applicant is requesting a special development plan for a transitional parking lot for 6.93 acres located at 6412 Davis Boulevard. The area is designated on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and is currently zoned transit oriented development. Mr. Comstock provided site photos of the property. In March 2023, the City Council considered and denied a similar request for a transitional parking lot due to the absence of a concept plan for the remainder of the property.

Applicant representative Rick Figueroa, 8800 Kirk Lane, advised that he worked with staff and agreed on a solution for a concept plan. In March, City Council expressed their concern with the request not providing a comprehensive plan for the remaining property. The proposed concept plan illustrates the placement of buildings, TOD design standards (street and landscaping) along the main street, parking, and easements. He commented that the concept plan is about 90% of what they propose for the parcel. The first phase of the special development plan includes 91 parking spaces. He is seeking City Council's approval to provide a temporary parking lot located at the northwestern corner of the property while he constructs the permanent parking lot. The temporary parking will be constructed of crushed concrete base and pedestrian barriers. The proposed parking spaces will be sufficient for the special development plan and the property located immediately to the north.

Mayor Trevino asked Mr. Figueroa how long he anticipates that he will need the temporary parking lot (30, 60, or 90 days). The City Council needs to include a deadline for completion of the parking lot.

Mr. Figueroa commented that he would should be able to get the permanent parking lot completed in 90 days.

City Council and applicant discussed pedestrian access, vehicular and pedestrian connection to the property located to the north, drainage channel easement for the required connection to the north, number of parking spaces, the location of the temporary parking lot eventually the becoming a building (Phase II), and timing to construct the bridge connection.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn left the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Mr. Comstock provided an overview of the special development plan from 2014 to present.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn returned to the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Mr. Comstock informed City Council that Jeff Kutak with Smurfit Kappa is present to address the easement for the earthen channel. The applicant's concept plan provides three blocks; connection to the property to the east with intention to build single-family homes; parking for existing businesses on property to the north and for future businesses on subject lot; complies with transit oriented development code; new parking area to provide 94 parking spaces; the proposed temporary parking will be constructed of rock base; existing drive aisle; and gas pipeline valve station. The Development Review Committee provided the following recommendations.

1. No temporary unpaved parking on the property except for equipment and activities related to parking lot construction.
2. The parking lot must support a minimum total of 149 parking spaces between both properties.
3. A vehicular and pedestrian connection must be made to the property to the north. All connections must be located within an access to cross the drainage channel. The easements must be executed and recorded in Tarrant County public records prior to the issuance of paving permits. All plans to span the drainage channel must be approved by the City Engineer.
4. The paving improvements must be completed within nine (9) months of the effective date of City Council's approval of the Special Development Plan.
5. Within six (6) months of final inspection of the paving improvements, parking lot lighting, landscaping, and irrigation must be provided.
6. The entry drive aisle and parking lot must integrate features of a TOD General Street. These include minimum six-foot wide sidewalks, parking lot setbacks, and street trees. The drive aisle improvements must connect to Davis Boulevard. A minimum five-foot wide sidewalk must be provided along Davis Boulevard between the drive aisle and the north property line.

The Planning and Zoning Commission, at their August 3, 2023 meeting, recommended

approval to include the Development Review Committee comments, excluding number 1 with a vote of 4-1-1.

City Council, applicant, and staff discussed the utility poles located adjacent to Davis Boulevard, the number of months for the applicant to complete the permanent parking lot, number of temporary parking spots, and number of parking spots currently provided for the property located to the north.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. The following people spoke in support: Ms. Michelle Keyworth, 9040 Creede Trail, Fort Worth, TX, and Ms. Debbie Turnage, 7105 Douglas Lane.

Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn inquired about the necessity of the city to require the additional costs (landscaping and lighting) when the applicant only seeks a temporary parking lot.

Council members Orr, Wright Oujeksy, Rodriguez and Compton thanked Mr. Figueroa for the improved development plan.

Mayor Trevino commented that Mr. Figueroa came forward with a concept plan for the parcel as requested by City Council. The special development plan not only addresses the parking; it ensures that the property is not piece-mealed. Mayor Trevino asked Mr. Figueroa if he had concerns with the TOD requirements. Mr. Figueroa did not have any concerns.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR PRO TEM DEUPREE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3802, SUBJECT TO THE TEMPORARY PARKING BEING NO GREATER THAN 180 DAYS FROM TODAY'S DATE.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

C.4 CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3803, APPROVING THE ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN UPDATE TO THE SERVICE AND ASSESSMENT PLAN, INCLUDING THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS, FOR THE CITY POINT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

APPROVED

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Economic

Development Craig Hulse to present the item.

Mr. Hulse informed City Council the item before them this evening is to approve the 2023 Annual Service Plan Update to the Service and Assessment Plan to include the Assessment Rolls for the City Point Public Improvement District. In 2019, City Council approved the creation of the City Point Public Improvement District (PID), associated Service and Assessment Plan, and levied assessments against properties within Improvement Zones A & B. The City Point development is in year three of a six-year project. The master planned development includes a 200+ million mixed-use project, 376 single-family homes, 352 multi-family units, and 60,000 square feet of commercial on City Point Drive. The City Point Public Improvement District includes a 60-acre special district that fronts the cost of public infrastructure (9.2 million) and levies an annual assessment on property owners to cover the cost. The PID has a 30-year lifespan that ends in 2050 and requires an annual adoption of the service and assessment plan.

Mr. Kirk McDaniel with P3 Works stated that they serve as the city's PID administrator. Pursuant to Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, the Service and Assessment Plan is required to be updated annually and approved by the governing body.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. There being no forms submitted, Mayor Trevino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak on the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ASSOCIATE MAYOR PRO TEM VAUGHN, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM DEUPREE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3803, APPROVING THE ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN UPDATE TO THE SERVICE AND ASSESSMENT PLAN, INCLUDING THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS, FOR THE CITY POINT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

C.5 CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 3804, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 REVISED OPERATING BUDGET AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

APPROVED

Mayor Trevino opened the public hearing and called on Director of Budget and Research Trudy Lewis to present the item.

Ms. Lewis provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Revised Operating Budget. The notable changes are due to the annual encumbrance roll which allows purchases authorized in Fiscal Year 2022 to occur in Fiscal Year 2023; increases in sales tax to the General Fund, Park Fund, and Crime Control District Fund; significant increases in interest earnings across all funds; and additions to base by fund for the current year as previously discussed with City Council at their August 4 budget retreat are also included. Ms. Lewis also provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Revised Capital Budget. The Capital Budget has a total of 18 existing street projects with revisions totaling \$1,000,570 and nine (9) existing drainage projects with revisions totaling a net savings of \$32,933. In total, the Capital Improvements Project Budget has increased by \$7,852,942 during the fiscal year.

Mayor Trevino asked the City Secretary to call on those who completed a public meeting appearance form to speak during the public hearing. There being no forms submitted, Mayor Trevino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak on the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Trevino closed the public hearing.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DEPUTY MAYOR PRO TEM TURNAGE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WRIGHT OUJESKY TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3804, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 REVISED OPERATING BUDGET AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.

D. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

There were no items for this category.

E. PUBLIC WORKS

There were no items for this category.

F. GENERAL ITEMS

F.1 ACTION SETTING THE PROPOSED TAX RATE AND SETTING SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 AS THE DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED TAX RATE AND PLACE ADOPTION OF THE TAX RATE AS AN ACTION ITEM ON THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA.

APPROVED

Director of Budget and Research Trudy Lewis informed City Council the item before

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them this evening is to present the proposed property tax rate for 2023, to set the public hearing date for input regarding the tax rate, and to set the date for a vote on the adoption of the property tax rate. State law prescribes for the calculation, presentation, proposal, and adoption of the property tax rate. The order and timing of the steps includes (1) receipt of the Tarrant Appraisal District (TAD) Certified Roll; (2) Preliminary Tax Rate calculated and presented with proposed budget; (3) Certified Roll presented to City Council; (4) calculation and certification of the Truth-In-Taxation worksheet (No New Revenue Rate and Voter Approval Rate); and (5) the proposed property tax rate for the next fiscal year is compared to the Voter Approval Rate and the No New Revenue Rate. The three rates are required to be presented as part of the city's public notice regarding the tax rate and public hearing.

Ms. Lewis commented that the Certified Roll was included in the Executive Summary provided to City Council on July 28 and presented at the Budget Work Session on August 4, 2023. Ms. Lewis stated that the Truth-In-Taxation worksheet is included as an attachment for this item in the agenda packet. Based on the certified value of properties in the city, the Voter Approval Rate is 49.8348 cents. The No New Revenue Tax Rate for Tax Year 2023 is 48.9389 cents per \$100 of assessed value. The Proposed Property Tax Rate presented to the City Council and included in the current proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 is 49.8155 cents per \$100 of assessed value. This is a reduction of 4.9817 cents or -9% from the current adopted rate. Ms. Lewis shared that if approved, this rate would be the lowest rate the city has adopted in 35 years. The City has adopted a rate that has decreased as the property values in North Richland Hills have increased. Ms. Lewis stated that state law requires the City Council set a date for the tax rate public hearing. The notice will be posted on the city's website, published in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, located on Tarrant Tax Info.com, posted on the city's social media platforms, included in the city's printed and electronic newsletters, and posted on Citicable. Staff recommends City Council set September 7 at 7:00 p.m. for the tax rate public hearing. The public may speak at the public hearing or submit their written comments through the city's website, direct emails to the city, or on the city's social media platforms. Staff also recommends City Council set September 11 as the date for a vote on the adoption of the property tax rate. Ms. Lewis provided a comparison of the 2022 adopted tax rate and the proposed 2023 tax rate. Once the proposed rate is set, the adopted tax rate cannot exceed the proposed rate, but it could be adopted at a lower rate.

In response to Associate Mayor Pro Tem Vaughn's questions, Ms. Lewis informed City Council that state law (Tax Code) requires specific language in the notice of public hearing to include a template, and requires homestead taxable values to be used in the template. The city does not have the option to change information that is provided in the notice. Ms. Lewis shared that as the value of property has increased, the city has decreased the property tax rate and increased homestead exemptions.

Council and staff discussed previous property tax years; debt reduction; increase in population (14%) and the demand on services; the addition of 27 positions over the past 10 years; number of full-time employees in the General Fund (excludes NRH20, Crime Control Prevention District or Park and Recreation Facilities Development Fund); information provided at the budget work session; justification for the proposed property tax rate, zero-based budget; citizen surveys and how it relates to departmental requests; rental properties (non-homestead properties); and the development of the city manager's proposed budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WRIGHT OUJESKY, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ TO APPROVE TO SET THE PROPOSED TAX RATE OF 49.8155 CENTS PER \$100 OF VALUATION, SET SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 AS THE DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED TAX RATE AND PLACE ADOPTION OF THE TAX RATE AS AN ACTION ITEM ON THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-1, WITH ASSOCIATE MAYOR PRO TEM VAUGHN VOTING AGAINST.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS - CITY COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION LISTED ON WORK SESSION AGENDA

H. INFORMATION AND REPORTS

H.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Orr made the following announcements.

Registration is open for the Citizens Police Academy. The academy will take place on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon, starting August 31, 2023 and continuing through November 16, 2023. There is no cost to participate. You can get more information and sign up online at www.nrhtx.com/CPA.

Throughout the month of August, the NRH Animal Adoption & Rescue Center is waiving pet adoption fees in support of the national "Clear the Shelters" campaign. A wide variety of dogs and cats are available for adoption. Stop by the shelter or visit their website for more information.

Kudos Korner - Emergency Management Coordinator Raelyn Darnell, Fire Chief Stan Tinney, Police Chief Mike Young and Staff - The City received a letter from the Birdville Superintendent and Board President thanking the city staff who planned and participated

in a recent mass casualty training exercise at Richland High School. “The drill was executed with utmost professionalism, and we commend you for your foresight in planning for a situation we all hope will never occur in our community,” the letter said. “We extend our heartfelt appreciation to your respective teams for their dedication and commitment to ensuring the safety and security of our schools.”

Mayor Trevino announced at 9:04 p.m. that City Council would convene into Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, specifically Section 551.087: Deliberation regarding Economic Development negotiations - 7656 Boulevard 26.

Mayor Trevino recessed the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Mayor Trevino reconvened the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Mayor Trevino announced there was no action necessary as the result of Executive Session.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trevino adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Oscar Trevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Richardson
City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer