

**RICHLAND HILLS CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2016  
MINUTES**

Roll Call:

Council present:

Bill Agan, Mayor  
Roland Goveas, Place 1  
Allison Barrette, Place 2  
Robert DeSoto, Place 3

Council Absent:

Beverly Williams, Place 4

Edward Lopez, Mayor pro-tem

Staff

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

**WORK SESSION – Mayor Bill Agan Called to Order – Time 6:00 p.m.**

- 1. 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).**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Goveas, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to convene into executive session. Time: 6:01 p.m.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Williams absent.

Mayor Agan reconvened into open session. Time: 6:55 p.m.

- 2. Review the current status and public update of the Community Center Project.**

None at this time.

- 3. Discussion of items and presentations listed on tonight's City Council Agenda,**

None at this time.

**REGULAR SESSION – Mayor Pro-tem Lopez Called to Order – Time 7:00 p.m.**

**Invocation** – Mayor Agan

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Councilmember Goveas

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1A. Citizen Appearances/Public Comments**

None at this time.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**2A. Approval of minutes from the March 1, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.**

**2B. Approve and issue an amending plat, Lot A1A, Block 2 for Volume 388-45, Page 63 P.R.T.C.T.) an addition to the City of Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas out of the H. Bennett Survey Abstract No. 138.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Goveas, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to approve all consent agenda items.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Williams absent.

**JOINT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS, MEETINGS, AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

Planning and Zoning Chair, Athena Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**3A. Joint Public Hearing for Ordinance 1310-16, a specific use permit to permit operation of a contracting business (MCL Contracting) with outside storage. The property, zoned Light Commercial (L-C), is located at 7324 Baker Blvd.**

Jason Moore, Assistant to the City Manager presented Ordinance 1310-16, a specific use permit to permit operation of a contracting business (MCL Contracting) with outside storage. The property, zoned Light Commercial (L-C), is located at 7324 Baker Blvd.

Mayor Agan Opened the Public Hearing Time: 7:05 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Member Kyle LaPointe stepped down to abstain from item 3B and 6B.

Applicant for the request, Megan LaPointe, 7114 Hovenkamp Ave., Richland Hills, gave a presentation to council in support of the SUP request to permit operation of a contracting business (MCL Contracting) with outside storage.

Mayor Agan Closed the Public Hearing Time: 7:19 p.m.

**3B. Planning and Zoning consideration of recommendation for a request for a Specific Use Permit (SUP) for operation of a contracting business (MCL Contracting) with outside storage. The property, zoned Light Commercial (L-C), is located at 7324 Baker Blvd.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Member Baker, and seconded by Member Skier to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 3-0. Member LaPointe abstained and Member Knowlton absent.

**3C. City Council Consideration of Ordinance 1310-16, a request for a Specific Use Permit (SUP) for operation of a contracting business (MCL Contracting) with outside storage. The property, zoned Light Commercial (L-C), is located at 7324 Baker Blvd.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Goveas, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Williams absent.

#### **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

**4A. None at this time.**

#### **CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, BID AWARDS AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS**

**5A. None at this time.**

#### **JOINT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**6A. Consideration of a Final Plat to combine 7218 Baker Blvd and 7324 Baker Blvd into one lot, also known as Lot 1 Block 1 Baker Addition, Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas.**

Jason Moore, Assistant to the City Manager presented a Final Plat to combine 7218 Baker Blvd and 7324 Baker Blvd into one lot, also known as Lot 1 Block 1 Baker Addition, Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas.

**6B. Planning and Zoning consideration of a recommendation for a Final Plat to combine 7218 Baker Blvd and 7324 Baker Blvd into one lot, also known as Lot 1 Block 1 Baker Addition, Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Member Skier, and seconded by Member Baker to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 3-0. Member LaPointe abstained and Member Knowlton absent.

**6C. City Council Consideration of a Final Plat to combine 7218 Baker Blvd and 7324 Baker Blvd into one lot, also known as Lot 1 Block 1 Baker Addition, Richland Hills, Tarrant County, Texas.**

**Motion:** Motion was made by Councilmember Barrette, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to approve.

Motion carried by a vote of 4-0. Councilmember Williams absent.

**6D. Adjourn Planning and Zoning Meeting.**

A motion was made by Member Skier, and seconded by Member Baker to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0.

There being no further business to come before the Planning and Zoning Commission, Chair Campbell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

**REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS**

**7A. Discussion regarding proposed ordinance regulating bamboo**

Eric Strong, City Manager discussed with council a proposed ordinance regulating bamboo. There was general discussion regarding bamboo having the potential to be invasive, a nuisance and could possibly impede life and safety operations. Council recommends staff evaluate from an operational standpoint to see if this is an issue and bring back for discussion.

**7B. Presentation of Monthly Department Reports**

Eric Strong, City Manager presented the Monthly Department Reports.

**8. COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS**

- Bulk Waste Collection is this week. Our next bulk collection will be May 16<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, you can only place items out for bulk pick up the day before it begins. Any earlier than that and you might receive a citation.
- Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Kate Baker Park

- Lunch Bunch – March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center
- Mowing season - Please remember to keep your yards maintained.
- Garage Sales – Please remember that you need to get a permit for garage sales with our Community Development office.
- 6Stones CPR Event – April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> – Sign up to help at [www.6stones.org/cpr](http://www.6stones.org/cpr)
- Starting April and for the next year - Lunch Bunch will held at the Richland Hills Christian Church, 3908 Ruth Rd., Richland Hills
- Ground Breaking Ceremony for “The Link” – April 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.
- May 7<sup>th</sup> General Election – Main Voting Location will be at the Richland Hills Public Library
- Northeast Tarrant Chamber Membership Luncheon – City of Richland Hills will be honored for 48 years of membership on March 24<sup>th</sup>

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None at this time.

**10. A motion was made by Councilmember Lopez, and seconded by Councilmember DeSoto to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0.**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Agan declared the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

**ATTEST**

**APPROVED**

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Cathy Bourg, City Secretary

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Bill Agan, Mayor