

City of Shoreacres



NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the
City Council
of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, will be held on
Monday, January 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
in the City Council Chambers on the first floor at City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Blvd.,
Shoreacres, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to wit:

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: Members Present and Absent

2.0 PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Texas Pledge:

Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Regular Council Meeting: November 26, 2012.

4.2 Regular Council Meeting: December 10, 2012.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS

5.1 Mayor Arons – Report on meetings attended.

5.2 Mayor pro tem Adams – Report on meetings attended.

6.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

6.1 Public Hearing – Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation to City Council and proposed Ordinance No. 2013-135 amending residential garage requirements for houses elevated on piers.

6.2 Citizen's Comments

This is the opportunity for citizens to comment on items which do not appear on the agenda. Time is limited to five minutes per speaker. Members of Council are prohibited by law from participating in the discussion or deliberation of items that are not specifically identified on this agenda.

6.3 Darlene Bays – Dead trees.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 City Administrator

7.1.1 General activity report.

7.1.2 First Monday Heavy Pick-up report.

7.2 Monthly Police Department Report.

- 7.3 Monthly Public Works Report.
- 7.4 Monthly Financial Report.

8.0 BUSINESS

- 8.1 Consideration and approval of invoices. ^{Stall}
- 8.2 Discussion and possible action regarding the expiration of Hurricane Ike temporary housing permits issued under Ordinance No. 2010-58 that were to be removed on December 31, 2012. ^{Arons}
 - 8.2.1 Permit #06 – 1009 West Forest
 - 8.2.2 Permit #10 – 126 Oakdale
 - 8.2.3 Permit #13 – 518 Meadowlawn
- 8.3 Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 2013-135 amending residential garage requirements for houses elevated on piers. ^{Arons}
- 8.4 Consideration and approval of Resolution No. 2013-102 authorizing the City Administrator to purchase one (1) police vehicle through the cooperative purchase program of the Houston-Galveston Area Council. ^{Stall}
- 8.5 Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 2013-132 ordering the City of Shoreacres 2013 City Officers' Election; designating election precincts and polling places; providing for the use of voting machines; appointing election officials; providing for method and dates of early voting; providing for an early voting ballot board; providing for return and canvass of votes of said election; providing for notice; and, providing for filing deadline. ^{Stall}
- 8.6 Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 2013-133 placing a proposition on the 2013 Regular Annual Election ballot to vote for or against the reauthorization of a local sales and use tax in the City of Shoreacres at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to provide revenue for the maintenance and repair of municipal streets. ^{Stall}
- 8.7 Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 2013-134 designating the official City newspaper. ^{Stall}
- 8.8 Consideration and approval of Resolution No. 2013-103 urging the State Legislature to continue local control and appointment of commissioners to the Port of Houston Authority. ^{Arons}

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the governing body of the City of Shoreacres, Texas is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at City Hall on January 10, 2013 at or before 5:00 p.m., at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times; to remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

DATED THIS 10TH DAY OF JANUARY 2013.

BY: _____

David K. Stall, CFM, City Administrator / City Secretary



SHOREACRES, TEXAS

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).

The City Council Chamber is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available.

Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made at least two (2) working days prior to the meeting. Please contact City Office at 281.471.2244 or fax 281.471.8955 for additional information.

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was removed from the City Hall bulletin board at _____ AM/PM on _____, 2013.

BY: _____

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MEETING MINUTES

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Monday, November 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Blvd., Shoreacres, Texas with the
following present constituting a quorum:

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Mayor | Dolly Arons |
| Mayor pro tem | Richard Adams |
| Aldерwoman | Dana Woodruff |
| Aldерwoman | Connie Ramirez |
| Alderman | Matt Webber |
| Alderman | Steven Jones |
| City Administrator / City Secretary | David K. Stall |

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arons at 7:00 p.m.

2.0 PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no special presentations.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1 The October 22, 2012 regular Council Meeting minutes were postponed until the next meeting.
- 4.2 The November 12, 2012 regular Council Meeting minutes were postponed until the next meeting.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS

- 5.1 Mayor Arons - reported that the Port of Houston has established a new community information line (713) 670-1000. Citizens can also access the website at www.portofhouston.com.

Also, the Port has signed an agreement with Carnival and Norwegian cruise lines for the use of the Port cruise terminal.

- 5.2 Mayor pro tem Adams - no report this evening.

6.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 7.1 City Administrator – Mr. David Stall reported on the following items:

This past weekend, the telephone system was down due to problems with the AT&T phone lines. The problem was immediately reported to AT&T by our telephone vendor, LOGIX, but AT&T did not realize that we are a city entity so they did not schedule the call ticket until Monday morning. Mr. Stall contacted AT&T, requesting them to modify their telephone records to show that the City is a 24hr operating facility. This will avoid a similar situation in the future.

7.2 Monthly Financial Report is as follows:

- General Fund balance \$ 17,142.12
- Utility Fund balance \$ 47,951.58
- TxCDBG Fund balance \$ 2,332.53
- Service Deposit \$128,062.74
- TexPool - There was one drawdown to cover normal expenses. This draw will be repaid in the next quarter. \$573,147.29

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 Consideration and approval of invoices.

There was a motion to pay our bills (Matt Webber /Second: Richard Adams). Motion carried unanimously.

8.2 Discussion, consideration and possible action relating to the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission sunset bill recommendations to the Legislature for the Port of Houston Authority.

Mayor Arons reported on the following:

- The Chairman of the Sunset Review Commission disregarded recommendations from the Mayors from various cities and has recommended to the legislature that the commissioners should be appointed by the Governor. Several mayors had submitted comments against this recommendation.
- The Mayor and City Administrator will be attending a meeting with mayors in the surrounding area in mid-December to determine a plan of action. More information should be available after this meeting.

8.3 Discussion and consideration of proposals for hike and bike facilities.

There was a discussion of proposals and funding options for a bike and hike trail for our City. Options discussed included placing the trail along Shore Acres Blvd. to Miramar and Fairfield to Sunrise to Miramar (connecting with the La Porte bike trail. The majority of the construction cost will need to be funded by grants or other contribution sources.

8.4 Discussion, consideration and possible action relating to First Monday Heavy Pickup program.

Mr. Stall reported the following items:

- The first November heavy pick-up cost 25.6% of the allotted annual budget.
- A total of 42 tons was picked-up for the month of November.

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- As budgeted, there is \$1,674 per month available to fund the heavy pickup program, which equates to 10 tons of trash per month.
- Council discussed a proposal to develop guidelines to communicate which types of items are eligible for heavy pick up. Once developed, this information will be posted on the city's website and included in the utility bill.

8.5 Consideration and approval of Ordinance No. 2012-131 amending incentive pay to employees.

There was a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-131 (Dana Woodruff/ Second: Steven Jones). Motion carried unanimously.

8.6 Consideration and action to approve Resolution No. 2012-100 authorizing the Mayor to execute an employment agreement with the City Administrator.

There was a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-100 (Dana Woodruff /Second: Connie Ramirez). Motion carried unanimously.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 10th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012.

(CITY SEAL)

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST

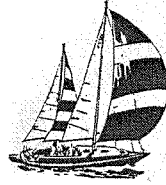
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| Mayor | Dolly Arons |
| Mayor pro tem | Richard Adams |
| Aldерwoman | Dana Woodruff |
| Aldерwoman | Connie Ramirez |
| Alderman | Matt Webber |
| Alderman | Steven Jones (absent) |
| City Administrator / City Secretary | David K. Stall |

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arons at 7:02 p.m.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- 3.1 Mayor Arons congratulated Eagle Scout - Samuel Banks, a La Porte High School senior, for his accomplishment of attaining the rank of "Eagle Scout" – the highest ranking honor in the Boy Scouts of America organization. Also, for the many contributions and achievements, Mayor Arons proclaimed Eagle Scout – Samuel Banks as a distinguished citizen of the City of Shoreacres.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1 Regular Council Meeting October 22, 2012 – There was a motion to approve the regular October 22, 2012 Council Meeting minutes. (Richard Adams/ Second: Dana Woodruff). Motion carried unanimously.
- 4.2 Regular Council Meeting November 12, 2012 – There was a motion to approve the regular November 12, 2012 Council Meeting minutes. (Richard Adams/ Second: Dana Woodruff). Motion carried unanimously.
- 4.3 Regular Council Meeting November 26, 2012 – Action was postponed until the next meeting.

5.0 COUNCIL REPORTS & REQUESTS

- 5.1 Mayor Arons commented on the good attendance at the city's Christmas party, everyone had a good time.
- 5.2 Mayor pro tem Adams attended SEACAP and LPCAC meetings.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 City Administrator – Mr. David Stall reported on the following:

7.1.1 General Activity:

- Mr. Stall attended a three day Election Law seminar in Austin last week presented by the Secretary of State's office.
- Will be attending CLEMC board meeting on Wednesday.
- Election will be held on May 11, 2013, the first day to file for a place on the ballot is January 30, 2013.

7.1.2 Appointment of David Newman as Chief of Police.

Mr. Stall announced the appointment of David Newman as the City's new police Chief.

7.1.2 TxCDBG Round 1 street and drainage project.

We did a semi-final walk-thru with the contractor last Friday and we are getting close to finalizing the street and drainage project. As many of our projects are coming to an end, we are anticipating having some money left over that we will use toward an additional 1,500 ft. of concrete street paving.

7.1.3 TxCDBG Round 1 wastewater lift station project.

We did the final walk-thru last Friday on the completion of the three lift stations.

All SCADA equipment is installed, we are now awaiting for the programming of the system itself to be fully operational.

7.1.4 FEMA NFIP Community Rating System application.

Will meet with FEMA representative this week to validate our application and anticipate that our application will be turned in by January 2013.

7.1.5 Coastal Impact Assistance Program "Shoreacres Shoreline Restoration"

Received letter from General Land Office notifying us of our funding approval in the amount of \$250,000 for the design, engineering & permits related to the coastal erosion project.

7.1.6 FEMA 2012 Community Resilience Innovation Challenge.

This is a national grant which we are a co-operative participant with the University of Houston Clear-Lake and the Houston-Galveston Area Council. If the grant is approved, UHCL will be documenting the practices and procedures by the City of Shoreacres as the Best Practices of Pre-Disasters Preparedness and turn that into a formal document that can be used by other communities.

7.2 Police Department – Chief Newman reported on the following:

There were a couple of residential burglaries reported, in which the resident doors were left un-locked and the house alarm was not set. We are asking residents to lock their doors and set the alarm (if applicable).

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On November 15, our officers assisted the La Porte PD in pursuing a vehicle that had struck a school bus and the pursuit ended in Seabrook with the suspect apprehended.

The open patrol officer position is in the process of being filled, an excellent candidate was chosen and we are working on finalizing the employment paperwork.

| | <u>11/12</u> | <u>10/12</u> |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Animal control | 6 | 2 |
| Suspicious persons | 12 | 9 |
| Thefts/Burglaries | 6 | 2 |
| Assaults | 2 | 0 |

7.3 Public Works / Utilities Department –

- The change of recycling pick-up date to Tuesday turned out to be a positive move both for our citizens and staff.
- Last week, while returning from emptying the recycling trailer, our public works truck was involved in an accident with a truck from the City of Pasadena.
- Also, this month we had a large amount of water leak repairs, due to unknown reasons.

8.0 BUSINESS

8.1 Consideration and approval of invoices.

There was a motion to pay our bills (Dana Woodruff /Second: Matt Webber). Motion carried unanimously.

8.2 Discussion of the Planning and Zoning Commission report and recommendation to City Council on amending residential garage requirements for houses elevated on piers.

On November 19, the Planning and Zoning Commission met and made the recommendation of amending residential garage requirements for houses elevated on piers by allowing screens instead of solid walls. There was a motion to accept the Planning and Zoning November 19 recommendation report (Dana Woodruff /Second: Matt Webber). Motion carried unanimously.

8.3 Consideration and discussion to set the time and date for a public hearing on proposed zoning regulation amendments to residential garage requirements.

There was a motion to set the time and date for a public hearing on proposed zoning regulation amendments to residential garage requirements to be held on January 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. (Dana Woodruff / Second: Connie Ramirez). Motion carried unanimously.

8.4 Report and discussion relating to First Monday Heavy Pickup program.

Mr. Stall reported that for the December heavy pickup, Allied Waste was able to complete the pickup in one day as per agreement. They picked up a total of 18 tons of materials, which equates to a \$1,500 charged.

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- 8.5 Consideration and approval of Resolution No. 2012-101 appointing authorized signatories for Hurricane Ike Disaster Recover Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Round 2.2 under Texas General Land Office Contract Number 12-606-000-6993.

Resolution 2012-101 will add the mayor pro tem as an additional signatory for documents relating to CDBG Program Round 2.2 under Texas General Land Office Contract Number 12-606-000-6993. There was a motion to approved Resolution No. 2012-101 (Dana Woodruff / Second: Matt Webber). Motion carried unanimously.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 14th DAY OF JANUARY, 2013.

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST

David K. Stall, CFM
City Administrator / City Secretary



City of Shoreacres

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Stanley Krauhs
Chairman

Luke Nelson
Andrew Hoggatt
Carl Kraft
Dianne Victor
Johnny Hill

Planning & Zoning Commission Preliminary RECOMMENDATION

October 17, 2012

Mayor and City Council:

At the request of City Council the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed a proposed ordinance amending residential garage requirements.

The Commission met on October 17, 2012, at a meeting properly noticed, held with a quorum present, deliberated, took testimony, and by unanimous vote adopted the content of this Preliminary Recommendation.

Recommendations

The Commission recommends that the draft ordinance be modified to limit the exception to meeting the "fully enclosed" requirement and allow all other garage requirements to survive; to require two sides to be fixed (not temporary or moveable); and, to modify the language to require each side meet the 80% opaque requirement.

Members Voting

Chairman Krauhs, Johnny Hill, Andrew Hoggatt, and Luke Nelson.

Public Hearing

The Commission has called for a Public Hearing to be held on Monday, November 19, 2012, for the purpose of receiving input and testimony prior to the adoption of a final Report & Recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stanley Krauhs
Chairman

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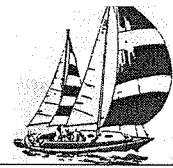




MEMORANDUM

City of Shoreacres

601 Shore Acres Blvd., Shoreacres, TX 77571-7262 / 281.471.2244 / 281.471.8955 Fax



DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Mayor & Council

CC:

FROM: David K. Stall, City Administrator

REF: January First Monday Heavy Pick-Up

FILE REFERENCE: M13010901 CC Heavy Pick-Up.docx

JANUARY – 1 Day

| | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Monday (01/07) | Brush Truck & Crew | 8 Hours | 3 Loads (17 tons) |
| TOTAL | | 8 Hours | 3 Loads (17 tons) |
| | | \$1000.00 | \$ 510.00 |
| | | | \$1,510.00 |

DECEMBER – 1 Day

| | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Monday (12/03) | Brush Truck & Crew | 8 Hours | 3 Loads (18 tons) |
| TOTAL | | 8 Hours | 3 Loads (18 tons) |
| | | \$ 960.00 | \$ 540.00 |
| | | | \$1,500.00 |

NOVEMBER – 6 Days

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Monday (11/05) | Brush Truck & Crew | 4 Hours | 1 Load (4 tons) |
| Tuesday (11/06) | Brush Truck & Crew | 8 Hours | 3 Loads (12 tons) |
| Wednesday (11/07) | Rear Load Truck & Crew | 8 Hours | 1.5 Loads (6 tons) |
| Thursday (11/08) | Brush Truck & Crew | 7 Hours | 2 Loads (8 tons) |
| Tuesday (11/13) | Brush Truck & Crew | 7 Hours | 2 Loads (8 tons) |
| Thursday (11/15) | Brush Truck & Crew | 2 Hours | 1 Load (4 tons) |
| TOTAL | | 36 Hours | 10.5 Loads (42 tons) |
| | | \$4,500.00 | \$1,260.00 |
| | | | \$5,760.00 |

FY-2012/2013 Budget: \$22,500.00 (average \$1,875/month)

Rates: Truck & Crew \$125/hour – plus –\$30/ton Disposal

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POLICE REPORT FOR COUNCIL MEETING 01/14/2013

CRIME REPORT:

We have had several reports of credit card fraud. We are asking the residents to closely monitor their credit card statements for any unusual transactions.

New Year's Eve passed quietly in Shoreacres with no major incidents reported.

PERSONNEL:

I would like to ask the city council and residents to welcome our new officer. Officer Wayne Thompson started December 29th, 2012. He is a master peace officer and a certified firearms instructor and police trainer. He will be assigned to the day shift when his field training is complete.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:

Traffic citations were down in December due to the holidays and poor weather. 18 citations were issued for speeding on SH 146.

Summary of Police Statistics As Reported to Council

| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | YTD |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|
| Accidents..... | 3 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 40 |
| Alarms/Hangups..... | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 45 |
| Animal Calls..... | 10 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 70 |
| Arrests..... | 17 | 23 | 15 | 22 | 20 | 15 | 9 | 14 | 17 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 184 |
| Arrests for other cities | 5 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 63 |
| Arson..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assaults..... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| Assist other Agencies..... | 8 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 100 |
| Calls for Service..... | 74 | 75 | 105 | 172 | 97 | 102 | 72 | 86 | 77 | 64 | 71 | 67 | 1062 |
| Criminal Mischief..... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 12 |
| EMS/Fire Calls..... | 3 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 71 |
| Harassment..... | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Miles Driven..... | 6652 | 5421 | 5240 | 5933 | 4922 | 5502 | 4345 | 5683 | 4657 | 3780 | 4154 | 3891 | 60180 |
| Misc..... | 17 | 20 | 24 | 27 | 35 | 36 | 30 | 27 | 25 | 22 | 19 | 17 | 299 |
| On Views..... | 1849 | 1777 | 1761 | 1604 | 1616 | 1844 | 1235 | 1650 | 1630 | 1904 | 1784 | 1183 | 19837 |
| Suspicious Persons/Vehicles..... | 9 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 17 | 13 | 7 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 141 |
| Thefts/Burglaries..... | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 48 |
| Tickets..... | 250 | 329 | 250 | 175 | 319 | 245 | 103 | 129 | 118 | 132 | 109 | 69 | 2228 |
| Traffic Arrests..... | 11 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 11 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 92 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DOT Days..... | 4 | 10 | 16 | 2 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 92 |
| DOT Citations..... | 0 | 16 | 19 | 8 | 15 | 6 | 1 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 84 |
| City Citations..... | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 |



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DATE: January 10, 2013

TO: David Stall, City Administrator

CC:

FROM: David Sutton, Public Works Director

REF: Monthly Report (December) 2012

Water purchased this month was down a bit more to 5.4 million. Usage should continue in the 5 to 7 million gallon range for another few months.

Water leaks came down tremendously from last month as we only had 3 leaks this month. This enabled us to continue on with preventative maintenance such as locating hydrants and vacant lot meters.

Mowing was picked back up to pace as the leaks dissipated. Mowing schedule is still on track and ditches are looking really well.

PUBLIC WORKS
Monthly Productivity Report

Month : December 2012

| | Total Calls | | Total Collected in Cu. Yrds. |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ***Water/Wastewater*** | 8 | ***Solid Waste*** | 12 |
| Water Repairs | 4 | Recycling : | 8 |
| Meter Changeouts | 1 | * Paper | 3 |
| Backfills (Yard Cleanups) | 2 | * Plastic | 2 |
| Fire Hydrant Repairs | 0 | * Cardboard | 2 |
| Water Taps | 0 | * Aluminum Cans | 1 |
| Water Plant Repairs | 0 | * Glass | 0 |
| Sewer Taps | 0 | Debris Removal | 4 |
| Sewer Point Repairs | 0 | | |
| Lift Station Repairs | 0 | | |
| Manhole Repairs | 0 | | |
| After Hour Repairs | 1 | | |

Repairs

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----|
| ***Streets and Drainage*** | | ***ROW Maintenance*** | |
| Potholes : | 0 | Miles Mowed | 4.7 |
| * Concrete Repairs | 0 | Miles of Ditch Inspected | 0 |
| * Asphalt Repairs | 0 | Culverts Inspected | 0 |
| Drainage Cave-in Repairs | 0 | Hours Mowed | n/a |
| ***Traffic*** | 11 | ***Parks*** | |
| Stop Sign Repairs | 11 | Cubic Yards of Trash Removed | 2 |
| Safety Sign Repairs | 0 | Park Equipment Repair | 0 |
| Public Notification Signs Repaired | 0 | Lighting Repairs | 0 |

Comments

New line item has been added under mowing that tracks the hours operated on the boom mower.



| General Fund | | | Utility Fund | | | Service Deposits | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Credits | Debits | Balance | Credits | Debits | Balance | Credits | Debits | Balance |
| | | \$ 37,754.20 | | | \$ 44,189.07 | | | \$ 128,977.48 |
| OCT \$ 192,349.05 | \$ (212,961.13) | \$ 17,142.12 | \$ 61,502.26 | \$ (57,739.75) | \$ 47,951.58 | \$ 1,100.00 | \$ (14.74) | \$ 128,062.74 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ (20,612.08) | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 3,762.51 | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 1,085.26 | |
| NOV \$ 209,871.93 | \$ (116,951.68) | \$ 110,062.37 | \$ 27,026.81 | \$ (51,433.58) | \$ 23,544.81 | \$ 500.00 | \$ (13.09) | \$ 128,549.65 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ 92,920.25 | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (24,406.77) | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 486.91 | |
| DEC \$ 148,918.69 | \$ (91,612.05) | \$ 167,369.01 | \$ 39,264.06 | \$ (40,051.58) | \$ 22,757.29 | \$ 1,545.35 | \$ (38.33) | \$ 130,056.67 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ 57,306.64 | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (787.52) | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 1,507.02 | |
| JAN | | \$ 167,369.01 | | | \$ 22,757.29 | | | \$ 130,056.67 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | |
| FEB | | \$ 167,369.01 | | | \$ 22,757.29 | | | \$ 130,056.67 |
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| Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | |
| AUG | | \$ 167,369.01 | | | \$ 22,757.29 | | | \$ 130,056.67 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | |
| SEP | | \$ 167,369.01 | | | \$ 22,757.29 | | | \$ 130,056.67 |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | |
| \$ 551,139.67 | | \$ (421,524.86) | \$ 127,793.13 | | \$ (149,224.91) | \$ 3,145.35 | | \$ (66.16) |
| Gain/(Loss) | \$ 129,614.81 | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (21,431.78) | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 3,079.19 | |

FY-2012/2013

TxCDBG Fund

| | | Credits | Debits | Balance |
|-----|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | | | | \$ 2,492.20 |
| OCT | \$ 115,796.64 | \$ (115,956.31) | \$ 2,332.53 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (159.67) | | |
| NOV | \$ 206,309.51 | \$ (206,415.61) | \$ 2,226.43 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (106.10) | | |
| DEC | \$ 541,466.48 | \$ (438,986.53) | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 102,479.95 | | |
| JAN | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| FEB | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| MAR | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| APR | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| MAY | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| JUN | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| JUL | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| AUG | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| SEP | | | \$ 104,706.38 | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - | | |
| | | \$ 863,572.63 | \$ (761,358.45) | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 102,214.18 | | |

| TexPool | | | | |
|---------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Deposits | Interest | Withdrawals | Balance |
| | | | | \$ 953,933.89 |
| OCT | \$ - | \$ 119.66 | \$ (150,000.00) | \$ 804,053.55 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (149,880.34) |
| NOV | \$ - | \$ 92.42 | \$ (100,000.00) | \$ 704,145.97 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (99,907.58) |
| DEC | \$ - | \$ 90.03 | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ 90.03 |
| JAN | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| FEB | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| MAR | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| APR | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| MAY | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 704,236.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| JUN | \$ - | | \$ (59,895.00) | \$ 644,341.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (59,895.00) |
| JUL | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 644,341.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| AUG | \$ - | | \$ (72,135.00) | \$ 572,206.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ (72,135.00) |
| SEP | \$ - | | \$ - | \$ 572,206.00 |
| | | | Gain/(Loss) | \$ - |
| | | | | |
| | \$ - | \$ 302.11 | \$ (382,030.00) | |
| | | | | |
| | Gain/(Loss) | | \$ (381,727.89) | |

| Certificate | Issue Date | Interest Paid | Value | Interest Rate | Maturity Date |
|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 42716758 | 7/19/2011 | | \$ 60,131.12 | 0.0500% | 7/19/2012 |
| 42716757 | 7/19/2011 | | \$ 60,131.12 | 0.0500% | 7/19/2012 |
| 42713649 | 12/19/2011 | | \$ 63,572.89 | 0.8500% | 2/19/2014 |
| 42713648 | 12/19/2011 | | \$ 63,572.89 | 0.8500% | 2/19/2014 |
| | | | \$ 247,408.02 | | |

FY 2012/2013 PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION

2012 Taxable Value: \$ 89,507,567.00

Budgeted Tax Revenue: \$ 800,228.00

Delinquent Taxes: \$ 36,110.51

| Tax Roll | | | 2012 Taxes | | Delinquent Taxes | | | Disbursed Totals | |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| Correction (+/-) | Adjusted Value | | Current Levy | Collections | Correction | Current Levy | Collections | Month | YTD |
| OCT | \$ 3,972,657.00 | \$ 93,480,224.00 | \$ 789,329.39 | \$ 21,233.34 | \$ (656.10) | \$ 35,454.41 | \$ 1,387.20 | \$ 23,021.92 | \$ 23,021.92 |
| NOV | \$ 3,409,112.00 | \$ 96,889,336.00 | \$ 818,115.31 | \$ 39,676.01 | \$ (328.05) | \$ 35,126.36 | \$ 2,506.07 | \$ 42,863.11 | \$ 65,885.03 |
| DEC | \$ 177,655.00 | \$ 97,066,991.00 | \$ 819,615.41 | \$ 428,873.86 | \$ - | \$ 35,126.36 | \$ 1,987.35 | \$ 431,309.81 | \$ 497,194.84 |
| JAN | | | | | | | | | |
| FEB | | | | | | | | | |
| MAR | | | | | | | | | |
| APR | | | | | | | | | |
| MAY | | | | | | | | | |
| JUN | | | | | | | | | |
| JUL | | | | | | | | | |
| AUG | | | | | | | | | |
| SEP | | | | | | | | | |

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$ 7,559,424.00 Correction | Collection \$ 489,783.21 | \$ (984.15) | Collection \$ 5,880.62 16% | \$ 497,194.84 Disbursed 62% |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|

General Sales Tax (4030)

| FY-2011 | FY-2012 | + / - |
|---------|---------|-------|
|---------|---------|-------|

| | | | | |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----|
| OCT | \$ 4,305.10 | \$ 5,314.10 | \$ 1,009.00 | 23% |
| NOV | \$ 5,230.01 | \$ 5,740.59 | \$ 510.58 | 10% |
| DEC | \$ 4,177.70 | \$ 5,091.71 | \$ 914.01 | 22% |
| JAN | \$ 3,741.54 | \$ 4,254.22 | \$ 512.68 | 14% |
| FEB | \$ 4,495.57 | | | |
| MAR | \$ 4,305.72 | | | |
| APR | \$ 3,832.63 | | | |
| MAY | \$ 4,016.93 | | | |
| JUN | \$ 4,244.66 | | | |
| JUL | \$ 4,490.28 | | | |
| AUG | \$ 5,147.10 | | | |
| SEP | \$ 4,685.70 | | | |

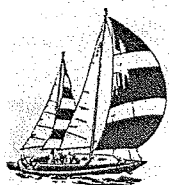
| | | |
|--------|--------------|----------------|
| TOTAL | \$ 52,672.94 | \$ 20,400.62 |
| BUDGET | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 52,000.00 |
| + / - | \$ 2,672.94 | \$ (31,599.38) |
| | 105% | 39% |

Road Maintenance Sales Tax (4035)

| FY-2011 | FY-2012 | + / - |
|---------|---------|-------|
|---------|---------|-------|

| | | | | |
|-----|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----|
| OCT | \$ 1,076.28 | \$ 1,328.52 | \$ 252.24 | 23% |
| NOV | \$ 1,307.50 | \$ 1,435.15 | \$ 127.65 | 10% |
| DEC | \$ 1,044.43 | \$ 1,272.93 | \$ 228.50 | 22% |
| JAN | \$ 935.39 | \$ 1,063.55 | \$ 128.16 | 14% |
| FEB | \$ 1,123.89 | | | |
| MAR | \$ 1,076.43 | | | |
| APR | \$ 958.16 | | | |
| MAY | \$ 1,004.23 | | | |
| JUN | \$ 1,061.17 | | | |
| JUL | \$ 1,122.57 | | | |
| AUG | \$ 1,286.78 | | | |
| SEP | \$ 1,171.42 | | | |

| | | |
|--------|--------------|---------------|
| TOTAL | \$ 13,168.25 | \$ 5,100.15 |
| BUDGET | \$ 12,500.00 | \$ 13,000.00 |
| + / - | \$ 668.25 | \$ (7,899.85) |
| | 105% | 39% |



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December 20, 2012

FORE 1009

Anita Willis
1009 West Forest
Shoreacres, TX 77571

Dear Ms. Willis:

This is a reminder that the Temporary Housing Permit (#6) for 1009 West Forest will expire on December 31, 2012.

Please submit a copy of the construction contract for your home at 1009 West Forest as soon as possible, but no later than January 9, 2013.

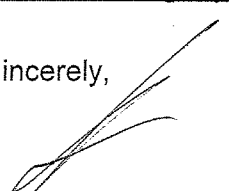
Shoreacres City Council will meet at 7:00pm, Monday, January 14, 2012, and among other business of that meeting will review expired Temporary Housing Permits and the status of the housing unit removal.

Shoreacres City Ordinance 2010-58 requires that upon the expiration of your Temporary Housing Permit the housing be promptly removed. After the permit expires it shall be unlawful to occupy the temporary housing; or, allow the temporary housing to be placed on or to remain on any residential lot you own, lease, occupy, or otherwise exercise legal control over.

All utilities (water, sewer, electric, & gas) must be properly disconnected and removed from the temporary housing unit by qualified personnel. Please contact the Building Department for appropriate plumbing and electrical building permits. Inspections will be required.

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 281.471.2244 or e-mail me at administrator@cityofshoreacres.us.

Sincerely,


David K. Stall, CFM
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Agenda Item 8.2.1

February 1, 2012

Ms. Anita Willis
1009 West Forest
Shoreacres, TX 77571

Dear Ms. Willis:

By action of the City of Shoreacres' City Council on December 12, 2011, the Temporary Housing Permit #6 for 1009 West Forest has been extended to expire on March 31, 2012. This extension is conditioned upon evidence of active construction progress.

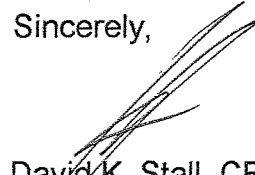
Once a construction contract is signed and approved, you may be eligible for a permit extension until construction of your home is completed. If you wish to request an extension until construction is completed, please provide information documenting the signing event and the beginning and ending construction dates.

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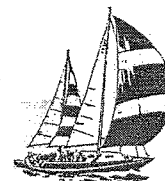
Sincerely,



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**TEMPORARY HOUSING PERMIT****PERMIT NUMBER: 6****FILE CODE: FORE 1009**Council Approval Date: 03/08/2010**EXPIRATION DATE: 12/31/2010**Address: 1009 Forest

**This permit is not valid until signed and dated by
both the Applicant and authorized City Official.**

This permit is issued under the authority of Shoreacres City Ordinance 2010-58.

Utility connections shall be maintained in compliance with applicable codes and are subject to approval by the Building Official. Temporary housing shall not be located closer than five (5) feet from side or back property lines and may be placed in part or whole in front of the front building set back line up to the front property line. The temporary housing may not extend beyond the property line into the public right of way without written authorization of the City Administrator. Temporary housing units must be equipped with a minimum of one (1) readily accessible 5# ABC fire extinguisher and properly functioning smoke detector(s) mounted and maintained in compliance with the manufacturer's instructions.

I understand that the authorization to occupy or have temporary housing on my property (regardless of ownership) expires with this permit on the expiration date shown above; or, seven (7) days after the temporary housing is no longer occupied, whichever occurs first.

This permit is conditioned upon the following additional requirements:

Applicant shall present a written report to City Council on June 28, 2010, providing information and evidence of continued repair or construction progress and estimated completion date. Council reserves the right to rescind this permit at anytime after June 28, 2010, with 90-days notice. Permit expires 30 days after a Certificate of Occupancy is issued for the house being repaired or rebuilt.

I agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this permit and understand failure to comply with the requirement(s) could result in the revocation of this permit.

I further understand that any person that violates any provisions of Ordinance 2010-58, upon conviction, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.00 per day for each day of violation.

Owner

30 Mar 2010

Date

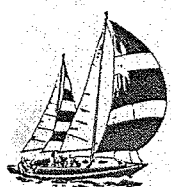
City Administrator

Date

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December 20, 2012

OAKD 0126

Fred Cooper
Post Office Box 683
La Porte, TX 77572

Dear Mr. Cooper:

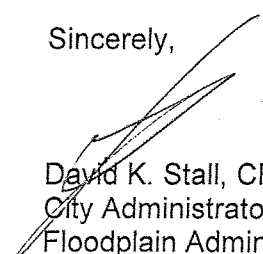
This is a reminder that the Temporary Housing Permit (#10) for 126 Oakdale will expire on December 31, 2012.

We have received your letter providing an update on the pending construction of your home and are aware of the recently issued building permit.

Shoreacres City Council will meet at 7:00pm, Monday, January 14, 2012, and among other business of that meeting will review expired Temporary Housing Permits for consideration of extensions.

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 281.471.2244 or e-mail me at administrator@cityofshoreacres.us.

Sincerely,



David K. Stall, CFM
City Administrator
Floodplain Administrator

November 28, 2012

Mayor Dolly Arons

City of Shore Acres

601 Shoreacres Blvd.

Shore Acres, TX 77571

RE: Temporary Housing Permit#10

126 Oakdale Street

Expiration: December 31, 2012

Dear Mayor Arons:

The official "Notice to Proceed" with the Harris County Recovery Program to rebuild was signed October 22, 2012.

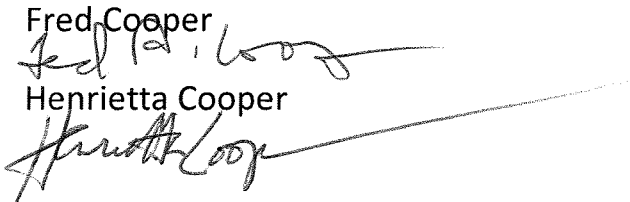
Our substantially damaged home was demolished November 21, 2012.

The new home plans have been submitted to the city for approval and we are anxiously waiting for the necessary build permits. We want to continue on site in our RV during the building process. Therefore, we respectfully request an extension of the temporary housing permit.

Sincerely,

Fred Cooper

Henrietta Cooper

The block contains two handwritten signatures. The first signature, for Fred Cooper, is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name. The second signature, for Henrietta Cooper, is also in dark ink and is positioned below the first signature and above the printed name. Both signatures are cursive and somewhat stylized.



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May 21, 2012

OAKD 0126

Fred Cooper
Post Office Box 683
La Porte, TX 77572

Dear Mr. Cooper:

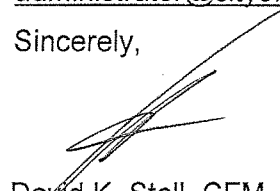
By action of the City of Shoreacres' City Council on May 14, 2012, the Temporary Housing Permit (#10) for 126 Oakdale has been extended to expire on December 31, 2012. This extension is conditioned upon evidence of active repair or construction progress.

Shoreacres City Ordinance 2010-58 requires that upon the expiration of your Temporary Housing Permit the housing be promptly removed. After the permit expires it shall be unlawful to occupy the temporary housing; or, allow the temporary housing to be placed on or to remain on any residential lot you own, lease, occupy, or otherwise exercise legal control over.

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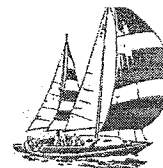
Sincerely,



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**TEMPORARY HOUSING PERMIT****PERMIT NUMBER: 10****FILE CODE: OAKD 0126****Council Approval Date: 03/22/2010****EXPIRATION DATE: 12/31/2010****Address: 126 Oakdale**

**This permit is not valid until signed and dated by
both the Applicant and authorized City Official.**

This permit is issued under the authority of Shoreacres City Ordinance 2010-58.

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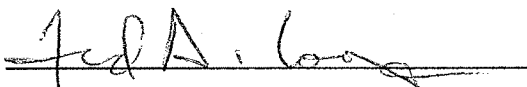
I understand that the authorization to occupy or have temporary housing on my property (regardless of ownership) expires with this permit on the expiration date shown above; or, seven (7) days after the temporary housing is no longer occupied, whichever occurs first.

This permit is conditioned upon the following additional requirements:

Applicant shall present a written report to City Council on July 26, 2010, providing information and evidence of continued repair or construction progress and estimated completion date. Council reserves the right to rescind this permit at anytime after July 26, 2010, with 90-days notice. Permit expires 30 days after a Certificate of Occupancy is issued for the house being repaired or rebuilt.

I agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this permit and understand failure to comply with the requirement(s) could result in the revocation of this permit.

I further understand that any person that violates any provisions of Ordinance 2010-58, upon conviction, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.00 per day for each day of violation.


Owner

3/29/10
Date


City Administrator

29 MAR 10
Date



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December 20, 2012

MEAD 0581

Vicki Montgomery
518 Meadowlawn
Shoreacres, TX 77571

Dear Ms. Montgomery:

This is a reminder that the Temporary Housing Permit (#13) for 518 Meadowlawn will expire on December 31, 2012.

Please submit a written update as to the status and/or progress of the demolition and reconstruction of your home at 518 Meadowlawn on or before January 9, 2013.

Shoreacres City Council will meet at 7:00pm, Monday, January 14, 2012, and among other business of that meeting will review expired Temporary Housing Permits and the status of the housing unit removal.

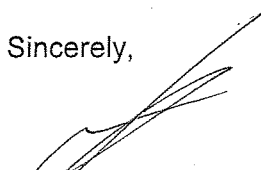
If the permit is not extended by city council at this meeting the temporary housing unit will need to be promptly removed.

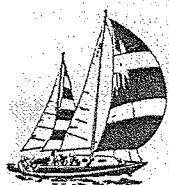
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Sincerely,


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May 21, 2012

MEAD 0581

Vicki Montgomery
518 Meadowlawn
Shoreacres, TX 77571

Dear Ms. Montgomery:

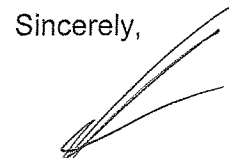
By action of the City of Shoreacres' City Council on May 14, 2012, the Temporary Housing Permit (#13) for 518 Meadowlawn has been extended to expire on December 31, 2012. This extension is conditioned upon evidence of active repair or construction progress.

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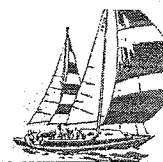
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Sincerely,


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City Administrator
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**TEMPORARY HOUSING PERMIT****PERMIT NUMBER: 13****FILE CODE: MEAD 0518****Council Approval Date: 03/22/2010****EXPIRATION DATE: 08/24/2010****Address: 518 Meadowlawn**

**This permit is not valid until signed and dated by
both the Applicant and authorized City Official.**

This permit is issued under the authority of Shoreacres City Ordinance 2010-58.

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Applicant shall present a written report to City Council on May 24, 2010, providing information and evidence of continued repair or construction progress and estimated completion date. Council reserves the right to rescind this permit at anytime after May 24, 2010, with 90-days notice. Permit expires 30 days after a Certificate of Occupancy is issued for the house being repaired or rebuilt.

I agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this permit and understand failure to comply with the requirement(s) could result in the revocation of this permit.

I further understand that any person that violates any provisions of Ordinance 2010-58, upon conviction, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.00 per day for each day of violation.

Owner

City Administrator

Date

Date

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**ORDINANCE No. 2013-135
CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS**

**Agenda Item 8.3**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING SECTION 74-159 TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION (b) TO ESTABLISH RULES WHEREBY AN ELEVATED SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING MAY SATISFY THE GARAGE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY AND FOR CODIFICATION; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS THAT THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. In Section 74-159 there shall be added a new subsection 74-159(b) that reads as follows:

(b) The area under an elevated single-family dwelling may satisfy the "fully enclosed" requirement for garages in this section, provided:

- (1) The area used as a garage is enclosed on all four sides by walls and doors, two of which shall have no door openings; [that are]
- (2) Each side of the enclosure is [are] at least 80% opaque;
- (3) The entire floor of the garage area is paved with concrete;
- (4) A minimum unobstructed height of 7 feet is provided throughout; and,
- (5) The garage area under a single-family dwelling shall be excluded in the determination of "aggregate area" under Section 74-160(a)(3) – Accessory Buildings.

2. Any conflict between these new changes and the existing codified version shall be resolved by the codifier in favor of these changes. Any existing provision not expressly deleted, modified or amended shall remain in full force and effect.
3. Penalty. Any entity or person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than Two Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$2,000.00) provided, however, that where the offense is one for which a penalty is fixed by state law, the penalty for such offense shall be the same as fixed by state law. Each day that a violation is committed or permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.
4. Repealer. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.
5. Severability. Should any portion of this ordinance be held to be unenforceable, the remainder of the ordinance shall be severable and enforceable.
6. Codification. This ordinance is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the Shoreacres City Code.
7. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.
8. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and approval, and it is so ordered.
9. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time

required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the ____ day of _____ 2013.

(CITY SEAL)

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM
City Secretary

| M/2 | | Yea | Nay | N/V | Absent |
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David Stall, City Secretary - Date

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**RESOLUTION No. 2013-102
CITY OF SHOREACRES**



Agenda Item 8.4

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PURCHASE ONE (1) POLICE PATROL VEHICLE UNDER A HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL COOPERATIVE PURCHASE PROGRAM CONTRACT; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

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WHEREAS, the City of Shoreacres has budgeted for the purchase of one police patrol vehicle during Fiscal Year 2012/2013; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to expend those funds to purchase such equipment; and,

WHEREAS, such equipment is available through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) cooperative purchase program;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES:

THAT the City Council hereby approves and authorizes the City Administrator to enter into agreement or contract to purchase one (1) 2013 police vehicle through the H-GAC program.

THAT the City Administrator may expend such funds as necessary up to, but not to exceed, twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for such purpose.

The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 14th day of January, 2013.

CITY OF SHOREACRES

(CITY SEAL)

By: _____

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, City Secretary

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**ORDINANCE No. 2013-132
CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS**



Agenda Item 8.5

**ORDERING CITY OFFICERS' ELECTION
TO BE HELD ON MAY 11, 2013**

AN ORDINANCE AND ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR
THE CITY OFFICERS' ELECTION IN SHOREACRES, TEXAS ON MAY
11, 2013.

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WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas provide that on May 11, 2013, there shall be elected three (3) Aldermen-at-Large, each for two year terms for the City of Shoreacres, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas further provide that the Election Code of the State of Texas is applicable to said election, and in order to comply with such Code, an Ordinance and Order shall be passed establishing procedures to be followed in said election and designating the voting place for said election; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS:

1. The City Officers' Election shall be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas and the entire City of Shoreacres shall constitute one election precinct for said election. The polls on Election Day shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
2. All independent declared candidates for the election to be held on May 11, 2013 for the above mentioned offices shall file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary or his designee at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas beginning Wednesday, January 30, 2013 and continuing during regular office hours until Friday, March 1, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. No applications for declared candidates shall be accepted after that date and time. Such applications shall be in accordance with State Law.
3. All independent undeclared candidates (write-in candidates) for the election to be held on May 11, 2013 for the above mentioned offices shall file their applications to become candidates with the City Secretary or his designee at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas beginning on January 30, 2013 and ending on March 1, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. No applications for write-in candidates shall be accepted after that date and time. Such applications shall be in accordance with State Law.
4. The order of the names to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing to be held by the City Secretary as provided by the Election Code. The drawing shall take place on Monday, March 4, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. at Shoreacres City Hall.
5. David K. Stall is hereby appointed Clerk for Early Voting and Ann Linthicum and Ann Weaver are hereby appointed Alternate Early Voting Clerks. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. and shall continue during regular office hours through Tuesday, May 7, 2013, with the

exception of extended hours on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 and Tuesday, May 7, 2013 and we will be open for early voting from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on those two (2) days. (Regular Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday.) Early voting by personal appearance shall take place at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas 77571, which is also the address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent.

6. Early votes shall be canvassed by the Early Balloting Board in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The appointed Presiding Judge at the polling place shall serve as the Presiding Judge of the Early Balloting Board with two (2) clerks serving at the polling place making up the other members of the board.
7. The Election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code and only qualified resident voters of the City of Shoreacres shall be eligible to vote at said election.
9. The Mayor shall give notice of this election in accordance with the Texas Election Code and Article 29e, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes and all necessary orders, writs and returns for said election shall be issued by the proper authority(ies).
10. In accordance with the order of the City Council, the City Secretary has posted written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting in which this ordinance was passed on the bulletin board outside of City Hall, a place readily accessible to the public. Such notice has been continuously posted for 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of such meeting.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of January 2013.

(CITY SEAL)

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM
City Secretary



**ORDINANCE No. 2013-133
CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS, ORDERING A SALES TAX ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 11, 2013, TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES DESIRE TO REAUTHORIZE A SALES AND USE TAX FOR STREET MAINTENANCE IN THE CITY; DESIGNATING A POLLING PLACE; APPOINTING AN ELECTION JUDGE AND AN ALTERNATE JUDGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City of Shoreacres, Texas, is a Type A general-law municipality located in Harris County, created in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Texas Tax Code, V.T.C.A., Chapter 327.001 et seq., (the "Act"), the voters of the City of Shoreacres adopted a one-fourth of one percent (1/4%) sales and use tax to provide for street maintenance in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that the sales and use tax for street maintenance requires voter reauthorization before the fourth anniversary of the date the tax originally took effect; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that the Board of Aldermen may call an election to authorize the a sales and use tax to provide for street maintenance by adopting an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that an election to reauthorize the sales and use tax shall be held in accordance with Chapter 321 of the Tax Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 321.403 of the Tax Code states that such an election must be held on the first succeeding uniform date for which sufficient time elapses for the holding of an election; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code (the "Code") specifies that the second Saturday in May shall be a uniform election date;

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, hereby finds and determines that an election should be held to determine whether to reauthorize a local sales and use tax at the rate of one-fourth (1/4) of one percent to provide for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS:

**SECTION 1.
ORDER**

An election shall be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013, to submit to the voters a proposition to determine whether to reauthorize a one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) sales and use tax for street maintenance purposes.

SECTION 2. BALLOT

The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the proposition, with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such proposition to be expressed substantially as follows:

PROPOSED

() FOR

() AGAINST

THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND
USE TAX IN THE CITY OF SHOREACRES AT THE RATE
OF ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PERCENT TO CONTINUE
PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND
REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS.

SECTION 3 ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACE:

The Election Day polling place for the election shall be at the City of Shoreacres, City Hall, located at 601 Shore Acres Blvd, Shoreacres, Texas 77571 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SECTION 4 APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGE AND ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGE

The individuals appointed to serve as presiding Election Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge, for the City Officers election shall also hold such positions for the purposes of this ballot proposition.

SECTION 5 APPOINTMENT OF CLERKS

The Election Clerks appointed to serve for the proper conduct of the City Officers election shall also hold such positions for the purposes of this ballot proposition.

SECTION 6 EARLY VOTING

The Clerk for Early Voting and Alternate Early Voting Clerk appointed to serve for the City Officers election shall also hold such positions for the purposes of this ballot proposition.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. and shall continue during regular office hours through Tuesday, May 7, 2013, with the exception of extended hours on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 and Tuesday, May 7, 2013 and we will be open for early voting from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on those two (2) days. (Regular Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday.) Early voting by personal appearance shall take place at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shore Acres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas 77571, which is also the address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent.

Voting Ballot Board created to serve for the City Officers election shall also serve for the purposes of this ballot proposition.

SECTION 7
NOTICES

This Ordinance shall serve as the Order of Election (as required by Section 3.001 of the Code) and as the Notice of Election (as required by Section 4.001 of the Code). A copy of this ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the City Council at least twenty-one (21) days before the election. Notice shall be published in the newspaper in accordance with state law.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effective immediately after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of January 2013.

(CITY SEAL)

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM
City Secretary

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**ORDINANCE No. 2013-134
CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS**



Agenda Item 8.7

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

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WHEREAS, Section 52.004, Local Government Code requires that the City Council designate an Official Newspaper for the publication of Legal notices:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS:

1. That, The Houston Chronicle, a newspaper in general circulation in the City of Shoreacres, and a newspaper qualified, able, and willing to publish legal notices and advertisements, is hereby and hereon selected and designated as the "Official Newspaper of the City of Shoreacres."

2. That, the right to terminate this designation is hereby and hereon reserved by the Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas, and said City Council has the right to terminate one newspaper and designate another at any time.

This supersedes any prior Resolution or Ordinance in conflict herewith, same subject.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of January 2013.

(CITY SEAL)

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, CFM
City Secretary

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**RESOLUTION No. 2013-103
CITY OF SHOREACRES**



Agenda Item 8.8

A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO CONTINUE LOCAL CONTROL AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS TO THE PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; FINDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

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WHEREAS, the 2012 Sunset Advisory Commission report recommends actions to strengthen governance of The Port of Houston Authority (the Authority);

WHEREAS, seven of the eight Sunset Advisory Commission recommendations either have already, or are being implemented by the Authority;

WHEREAS, the current Commission is appointed as follows: two by Harris County; two by the City of Houston; one by the Harris County Mayors' and Councils' Association and one by the City of Pasadena; while the City of Houston and Harris County jointly appoint the Chair of the Commission;

WHEREAS, the Authority is a local authority created with local tax dollars to develop and support a specific facility located in Harris County;

WHEREAS, local citizens of Harris County through taxes paid, and indebtedness incurred through bond sales, have funded operations, maintenance and expansions, that has seen the Authority successfully drive the economic benefits of the port region;

WHEREAS, the current appointing bodies of the commission are directly elected by the taxpayers of Harris County, are accountable to those citizens, and are capable of identifying qualified and responsible citizens to serve on the Port Commission;

WHEREAS, the local control and experience and knowledge of commissioners appointed from the Houston port region provides informed oversight of this regional asset that is beneficial to the cities adjacent to and most impacted by port operations, and commissioners who reside in the impacted area and are appointed by locally elected officials who are accessible, responsible and accountable to the most impacted taxpayers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

The Shoreacres City Council hereby strongly urges the Sunset Advisory Commission and our state legislative leaders to continue to allow the current appointing bodies of the Port Commission to maintain local control on decisions, including making appointments as they, and the citizens who elected them, deem appropriate and necessary to best represent the interests of the public they serve as well as in the best interest of the Port of Houston.

If appointments from other bodies are to be made, those appointing bodies should also accept responsibility for its proportional share of the Authority's debt;

The Shoreacres City Council supports allowing the Authority to continue to implement seven of the eight recommendations contained in the Sunset Advisory Commission staff report and be provided the opportunity to demonstrate the effectiveness and success of these new modifications.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 14th day of January, 2013.

CITY OF SHOREACRES

(CITY SEAL)

By:

Dolly Arons, Mayor

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, City Secretary

LOREN STEFFY
Commentary

HC

It didn't take the Sunset Advisory Commission long to leave consumers in the dark. On the second day of the legislative session in Austin, the commission, the legislative body designed to eliminate waste and inefficiency in state agencies, voted to strip consumer protections from a bill proposing changes

to the Public Utilities Commission. The decision overruled recommendations by the Sunset Commission staff that included granting the utility commission the ability to levy heavier fines for abusive practices in the state's deregulated electricity market.

As our deregulated electric-

ity market falters, as it fails to create incentives for desperately needed generating capacity, legislators, like regulators, have focused far more on helping big generating companies than protecting consumers.

"The Sunset Commission completely ignored their responsibility to protect consumers and the marketplace from

abuse," said Tom "Smitty" Smith, the state director for the consumer group Public Citizen. The Sunset Commission's staff recommended raising penalties that the utility commission can levy for companies caught manipulating electricity markets to \$100,000 a day for each violation. Currently, the

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Area goal for port: local hands on helm

Proposal to move control to Austin draws opposition

By Kiah Collier

HC A bill has yet to be presented to state lawmakers, but local officials already have been pushing back against the proposal to shift control of the influential Port of Houston

Authority to Austin.

At issue is how members of the port's commission, an agency that receives some \$53 million a year in Harris County property tax dollars to finance capital projects, are appointed and how

long they will serve.

"We feel very strongly that it is in the best interest to maintain local control over those appointments because we as elected officials, we are chosen by the taxpayers who are fund-

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Houston Chronicle
 The Charleston Express calls at the Port of Houston. Area heads of government are pressing for local control over the port.

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ing this authority," said Terry Sain, mayor pro tem of the Baytown City Council.

"We know who would best be able to serve on the port commission because the Ship Channel is right here in our own backyard," longtime Pasadena Mayor Johnny Isbell added.

A bill to be filed in the coming weeks would require all seven members of the port commission to step down in September and give the governor power to appoint replacements, who would be subject to 12-year term limits.

How it's set up now

Under current procedures, the city of Houston and Harris County each appoint two members to the commission and jointly appoint a chair, while the city of Pasadena and the Harris County Mayors' & Councils' Association each appoint one member.

The association, currently headed by Sain, last month drafted and passed a resolution opposing both a governor-appointed board and term limits, which it said "should be determined by the local bodies through the existing appointment processes."

It also says any appointing bodies should accept "responsibility for its proportional share of the authority's debt."

The appointment provision is sure to be included in the introduced version of the Sunset bill, which must be filed before the March 8 filing deadline. Any changes to the legislation will be made after it is assigned



Karen Warren / Houston Chronicle

Harris County Commissioners Court and the Houston City Council recently chose Janiece Longoria to chair the port authority. Local mayors object to a plan to have those overseeing the port appointed in Austin.

to a committee.

"That's just the standard Sunset process," said Ken Levine, director of the Sunset Commission, whose staff spent nearly five months reviewing the port authority last year. "We take what the commission adopted and the decisions when they make those votes and we work with (the Texas) Legislative Council to translate that into the introduced version of the bill."

A revised path

For the past several sessions, Sunset bills have been sent to the Senate Government Organization Committee. But under

rules the upper chamber adopted Wednesday, the bills now will go to committees that have jurisdiction over the particular agency under review.

No sponsor has been announced for the Port

Authority Sunset bill.

Houston Mayor Annise Parker and others have made it clear they will have representatives in Austin working to change the bill as soon as it's filed.

"Really, I consider the port under attack," Parker told reporters in November just after the provision was unanimously adopted by the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, a legislative agency charged with reviewing state-created agencies. "The city and the county are united in the belief that having the governor appoint members of the port commission is a mistake."

State Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, Sunset Commission member and author of the amendment that put the authority under review, claims there is consensus to drop the provision to give appointment power to the

governor. But, he added last week, there is "strong consensus" to sweep aside the commissioners and impose term limits.

"We're obviously disappointed with some of the previous decision-making by some commissioners," Whitmire said.

He and other Houston members of the Sunset Commission have said the problems the port authority has had in the past two years, which prompted his move to put it under review, necessitate a clean slate.

Changing the bill

Local appointing bodies disagree.

"We feel like the commissioners who have been appointed are doing the job we have been asking them to do," Sain said.

State Rep. Wayne Smith, R-Baytown, said he'll work to change the legislation. He said people

There doesn't appear to be any opposition to a proposal to ensure appointments are made on a timely basis, however. One of Whitmire's criticisms has been commissioners serving in expired terms for months — or, in the case of Pasadena appointee Steve Phelps, years — before they are reappointed.

Wasn't a big thing'

Isbell said Pasadena didn't move to reappoint Phelps because the law says he would serve until his replacement was named, and the city thought he was doing a good job.

"It just wasn't a big thing to us at the time," Isbell said.

Harris County Judge Ed Emmett said he has proposed that the bill include a set date for when the city and county meet to appoint a chairman to ensure timeliness.

The appointment last week of current Port Commissioner Janiece Longoria as chairman came six months after her predecessor's term had expired.

Emmett, a former state representative, also downplayed the size of the fight the local delegation has on its hands. The county sets the tax rate for the port authority.

"At this point, I think our position has been made clear to the Legislature, and frankly, the legislators themselves — the key players — have all indicated that local control is going to be kept and they just want to see some changes," he said. "Everybody is moving the same direction."

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who live near the port and fund the authority should be the ones deciding how it operates.

"The pluses of the port, we get," Smith said. "And the minuses of the port we get also."

The resolution now making the rounds of local governments notes that "seven of the eight" recommendations proposed by Sunset staff after their review of the port last year "either have already, or are being implemented."

Those include developing a comprehensive planning process and safety program, as well as establishing internal audit and independent procurement functions.

Parker said she hopes that, combined with the appointment last week of a new chairman, will "calm" discussions in Austin about changing the process.

David Stall

From: gerald.victor <gerald.victor@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2013 4:13 PM
To: matthew.b.webber@gmail.com; Steven M. Jones; 'Dana Woodruff'; 'Richard'; 'Connie Ramirez'; David Stall
Cc: Dolly Arons
Subject: Resolution No. 2013-103

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Protest Letter

January 14, 2013

City Council
City of Shoreacres
601 Shore Acres Blvd
Shoreacres, Texas 77571

Re: Resolution No. 2013-103

Dear Council Members,

Please do not approve Resolution No. 2013-103 asking for the state legislature to disregard the recommendations of the Sunset Advisory Commission concerning the appointment of Commissioners to the Port of Houston Authority. Instead, the resolution is asking for the state to continue the existing procedure of locally controlled appointments.

Although, in theory, local control should be more efficient and beneficial to neighborhood communities it has unfortunately proved to be opposite regarding several of the decisions made by the PHA Port Commission, which have resulted in negative, long-term impacts on the City of Shoreacres, the neighborhood of Bay Colony and the Yacht Club.

The PHA Port Commission, through their most recent actions, have let it be known that they are not changing. And as a result, in one action for example, they tried to establish a dredging materials dump site between Miramar Park and the Houston Ship Channel. Fortunately there was sufficient public objection that it required the POHA to withdraw this proposal.

Bottom line, the Sunset Advisory Commission spelled it out clearly, the PHA Port Commission (as it existed in 2012 and before) is dysfunctional, had questionable spending, was involved in alleged conflicts of interest, operated in secrecy and had many other areas of questionable concern.

The POHA Commission has not earned Council's support.

Sincerely,

Gerald T. Victor
3346 Miramar Drive

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