City of Shoreacres



MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Shoreacres, Texas met in Regular Session on Monday, March 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Blvd., Shoreacres, Texas, with the following present constituting a quorum:

Mayor

Jayo Washington

Mayor pro tem

Tom Revak

Alderman

Joe Gomer

Alderman Gerry Victor

Dolly Arons

Alderwoman Alderman

Richard Adams

City Administrator / City Secretary

David Stall

1.0 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

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

2.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS, SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & COMMENTS

2.1 Citizen's Comments

<u>Suzanne Johnson, 3306 Sunrise</u>: Asked council for a security light on Westview at Meadowlawn citing potential problems along Westview from nighttime visitors.

Todd Johnson, 3921 Sunrise: Complained about noise from Bayport caused by lashing straps being dropped on the ship deck, container to container impact noise caused by misalignment of the crane, handling of hatch covers, and a refueling barge.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Regular Council Meeting: February 11, 2008

No action taken.

3.2 Regular Council Meeting: February 25, 2008

No action taken.

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Council Reports

Revak: No report.

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<u>Gomer</u>: Reported that he attended the Chamber of Commerce economic development meeting and that the nature of development is shifting from chemical industries to logistics. He reported that he will be attending the SEACAP meeting.

Arons: Reported that she attended the County Commissioner's town hall meeting and noted that there will be an air quality task force meeting on March 26, 2008.

Adams: Reported that he attended the County Commissioner's town hall meeting. Speakers included Gene Green who spoke about DTV changes. He reported on county budget items that included \$39 million for roads, \$19 million for parks, \$25,000 for Armand Bayou, and \$562,000 for Sylvan beach. Some concerns were raised about a Sylvan Beach Hotel. He reported that there would be a drag race event on March 27th at the drag strip in Baytown and that council was invited to participate. He noted vandalism to a bench at Heron Park and that no new caps have been installed on the observation deck.

<u>Victor</u>: Reported that the hotel at Sylvan beach is being proposed as a 200 room facility to be located on the site of the current pavilion. He suggested consideration of bonus pay for port crews who performed their work quietly. Monitoring the work and providing an incentive to move quietly could reduce the noise. He asked the port to consider unloading containers in tiers leaving containers on the residential side as the higher stack creating some degree of sound barrier while moving dock side containers.

<u>Washington</u>: Reported on a successful Easter egg hunt; Recreation Association plans to lengthen the pier; Bayou Trash Bash on March 29th; and the Alliance Transportation task force.

4.2 Staff Reports

4.2.1 City Administrator's Report

<u>David Stall</u>: Reported that a drawing for candidate positions on the ballot was held; should the election be canceled the city's election officials would continue and conduct the San Jacinto College District elections at city hall; water line replacement behind Fairfield is being scheduled; Circle Park is ready for Easter activities; Clean-Up Green-Up information will go out with the utility billing; the new solar security light at Heron Park has been installed; Jamie Niemann started today as a part-time accounts payable clerk in city hall; TexPool interest rates are falling short of budget projections; the city has invoiced the trucking company involved in the accident on SH-146 that took the traffic signals out of service causing the city to expend manpower and material; and, the city engineer reported that Westview and Bayou street work is going out to bid this week and that he will provide cost information on right turn lane drawings for Shoreacres Blvd and SH-146.

4.2.2 Police Department Report

Written report provided.

4.3 Port of Houston Authority

<u>Grace Moolchan</u>: Reported to council that she had responses to the questions asked by council at the February 25 meeting. Initial sound mitigation testing on five houses has been completed. Post testing work will follow. Asking that two homes be expedited. Projected schedule to complete twelve home in one year.

Council was told that a newsletter was scheduled for this week.

Council was told that the north shore landscaping plan had been completed. The plan includes evergreen trees and shrubs as well as an irrigation system to ensure survival and growth.

Council was told that stop signs will be erected at Port Road and SH-146.

Council was told that the Elisa will be open to the public (ticketed) at the Bayport Cruise Terminal on Saturday, March 29th, from 9am to 5pm.

Mayor pro tem Revak asked that the report to residents include raw sound data of before and after mitigation as well as the range of frequencies generated outside and measured inside.

Councilman Victor asked about the sensitivity training.

Councilwoman Arons asked about the availability of ship schedules on the Internet.

5.0 BUSINESS

5.1 Consideration and approval of invoices.

Alderman Gomer moved to approve the payment of invoices as presented. Mayor pro tem Revak seconded.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: Revak, Gomer, Arons, Adams, Victor.

NAYS: None.

5.2 Consideration and action to approve of an interlocal agreement with Harris County to provide for the housing and quarantining of animals, and related animal control services; and, authorizing the Mayor to execute such agreement. (Stall)

Mayor pro tem Revak moved to discuss. Alderwoman Arons seconded.

City Administrator Stall described the agreement.

Mayor pro tem Revak moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: Revak, Gomer, Arons, Adams, Victor.

NAYS: None.

Consideration and possible action on cell site lease and lease conversion with 5.3 Unison Site Management. (Stall)

Alderman Gomer moved to discuss. Mayor pro tem Revak seconded.

City Administrator Stall described a lease proposal received from Unison.

No action taken.

6.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Washington declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ______ DAY OF _____

2008.

ATTEST:

David K. Stall, City Administrator / City Secretary