

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in work session at 6:30 p.m. and regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive on the 9th day of June 2009 with the following members present:

Jim Story	Mayor
Roy Savage	Mayor Pro Tem
Chris Brown	Council Members
Ray Champney	
Roger Fisher	
Lori Nail	

Constituting a quorum.

Councilman Roy Turner was absent at tonight's meeting.

Staff present included:

Beverly Queen	City Manager
Steve Johnson	Deputy City Manager
Stan Lowry	City Attorney
Shanae Jennings	City Secretary
John Kubala	Director of Public Works
Bill Syblon	Development Director
Mirenda McQuagge-Walden	Communications/Special Projects Manager

WORK SESSION

Mayor Story called the work session to order at 6:30 p.m.

- **Review and discuss items on the regular agenda and consider placing items for approval by consent.**

Council discussed approving the following item(s) by consent: 1 and 3.

- **Discussion on Economic Development.**

Development Director, Bill Syblon, presented information to Council regarding an update on the status of any contacts made during the recently attended ICSC conference, now referred to as the Global Real Estate Convention. Mr. Syblon indicated that every year they receive excellent leads on new business for the City of Bedford and this year was no different. They made many contacts, to include McAllister's Deli, Ace Hardware and Dunkin Donuts, and will be following up on the contacts which were made over the upcoming months. There are four areas that the HEB area can and is promoting: 1) Highway 183 and 121, 2) Harwood and Central, 3) Highway 183 and Central; and 4) Brown Trail.

The Mayor announced that there will be an executive session held under Section 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney regarding discussion of new business item number 2 on this agenda. Council convened into Executive Session at approximately 6:54 p.m.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at approximately 7:09 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Story called the meeting to order.

CALL TO ORDER/GENERAL COMMENTS

Regular session began at 7:09 p.m.

INVOCATION (Bishop Eric McClellan, Mercy Seat)

Bishop Eric McClellan of Mercy Seat gave tonight's invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ITEMS BY CONSENT

Motioned by Councilman Champney, seconded by Councilman Brown to approve the following item(s) by consent: Item(s): 1 and 3.

Motion approved 6-0-0. Mayor Story declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the following City Council minutes:
 - a) May 26, 2009 regular meeting

This item was approved by consent.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Public hearing and consider and act upon an ordinance to rezone property known as Lot A, Harwood Village Shopping Center Addition, Ste. E from Heavy Commercial to Heavy Commercial/Specific Use Permit/Secondhand, Rummage and Used Furniture Stores. The property is generally located north of Harwood Road and west of Brown Trail. (Z-189)

Bill Syblon, Development Director, presented the proposed zoning ordinance to Council and generally fielded questions.

Mayor Story opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

No one elected to speak at tonight's public hearing.

Mayor Story closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

The applicant spoke on behalf of the shop. She answered questions the Council had regarding the new shop. She indicated they plan to sell furniture, clothes, and any other retail items.

The Mayor requested a recess with the City Attorney at 7:21 p.m. The Mayor reconvened from his recess with the City Attorney at 7:26 p.m.

Motioned by Mayor Story, seconded by Councilman Fisher to approve an ordinance to rezone a portion of property known as Lot A, Harwood Village Shopping Center Addition, Ste E from Heavy Commercial to Heavy Commercial/Specific Use Permit/Secondhand, Rummage and Used Furniture Store.

Before the Mayor called for a vote Councilman Fisher rescinded his second to this motion.

The motion to approve failed for lack of a second.

Motioned by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Fisher to deny an ordinance to rezone a portion of property known as Lot A, Harwood Village Shopping Center Addition, Ste E from Heavy Commercial to Heavy Commercial/Specific Use Permit/Secondhand, Rummage and Used Furniture Store.

Motion approved 5-1-0. Mayor Story declared the motion carried.

Council members voting in favor of the motion include: Councilman Brown, Councilman Champney, Councilman Fisher, Councilwoman Nail, and Councilman Savage.

Council members voting in opposition to the motion include: Mayor Story.

3. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Change Order with Insituform Technologies, Inc. for sanitary sewer rehabilitations in the Belle Hurst / Bellvue area in the amount of \$150,000.

This item was approved by consent.

4. Take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

(Any item on this posted agenda may be discussed in executive session provided it is within one of the permitted categories under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.)

There was no action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

OPEN FORUM

Brian Odwyer, 925 Jerry Lane, Bedford, TX – Mr. Odwyer stated that he would like to address the open forum issue because he has heard rumors that the Council would like to get rid of open forum because they don't like what is being said. He indicated that the Council is here to serve the people and listen to them and that the residents' speech is protected speech as citizens of Bedford and the Council needs to respect that.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Story adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Jim Story, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanae Jennings, City Secretary