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STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF TARRANT §

CITY OF BEDFORD §

The City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in Work Session at 5:30 p.m. and Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive, on the 26th day of February, 2013 with the following members present:

Jim Griffin	Mayor
Michael Boyter	Council Members
Chris Brown	
Jim Davisson	
Patricia Nolan	
Sherri Olsen	
Roy W. Turner	

constituting a quorum.

Staff present included:

Beverly Griffith	City Manager
David Miller	Deputy City Manager
Stan Lowry	City Attorney
Michael Wells	City Secretary
Mindy Eichorst	Teen Court Coordinator
Roger Gibson	Police Chief
Don Henderson	Parks Superintendent
Russell Hines	Building Official
Tom Hoover	Public Works Director
Mirenda McQuagge-Walden	Managing Director of Community Services
James Tindell	Fire Chief

WORK SESSION

Mayor Griffin called the Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Council discussed placing the following items on consent: 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Public Works Director Tom Hoover presented information on Item #8. This project was originally a two part contract bid; however, no bids were received. One part would be for pipe bursting and the other part for directional drilling behind Circle Lane. The project was broken into two parts due to the two distinctive methods of construction, with Part A being the directional drilling and Part B being the pipe bursting. Bids were received on Part A that were over the engineer's estimate due to the flat slope and extreme depth in the location. Bids for Part B were a little higher he feels due to changes in the construction industry and activity along NTE. He stated that the City is under a State mandate to do a certain amount of sewer repairs a year. There was discussion on the costs for the project.

Mr. Hoover presented information on Item #11. He stated that the City is required to do \$1M in sewer improvements a year but does not get credit for going over that amount. This project already had plans completed and it was decided to expedite it. Additional alternatives were included as well to get it past

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the number needed. This project involves relining existing sewer pipes to increase capacity by making the inside of the pipes slicker, eliminating leaks and removing rainwater. The bids came in within 5% of the engineer's estimate. The City has worked with the company in the past with no issues and recommends moving forward on the project.

- **Susan Young with Senator Kelly Hancock's office to introduce herself to Council.**

Susan Young, District Director for Senator Kelly Hancock's office, introduced herself to Council. Their office should be set up by the beginning of April at Precinct Line just before North Tarrant Parkway.

- **Council update on Highway 183 Corridor District.**

City Manager Beverly Griffith stated that the City is moving forward with the updates to the Highway 183 Corridor Overlay District. There have been multiple work sessions with Council to make the overlay districts more consistent and to extend it to areas in the City, such as Highway 183, which are not currently covered.

Development Director Bill Syblon presented an overview of the process for developing the Overlay District. At the December 5, 2012 Work Session, it was Council's direction to extend the Highway 121 Overlay District to Highway 183 and incorporate the Cheek Sparger Overlay District as well. He stated it was a natural course of action from both an economic development perspective and a developer's perspective to have one encompassing overlay district to look at. The proposed Overlay District is being taken the Planning and Zoning Commission on Thursday and that 1,200 notices were sent out.

There was discussion on the language in the notice regarding revoking what was already in place with the Highway 121 and Cheek Sparger Overlay Districts; items that have been removed or have been changed in the Overlay District including language regarding sexually oriented businesses; and the whole purpose of the Overlay District. Mr. Syblon stated that the intent is to have one all encompassing overlay district. The Cheek Sparger Overlay District was the first one put in place in the City and it is more basic than the one for Highway 121. Because they do not match exactly, it would create a paradox; therefore, to simplify matters, it was decided to incorporate the Cheek Sparger intersection into the overall Master Overlay District. In regards to language that was taken out, he stated that language included in the document granting relief to businesses was removed. The requirements for new development should be just about the same compared to the Highway 121 Overlay District. There was discussion on Section 4.18L and the removal of language regarding maintenance agreements for landscaping. Mr. Syblon stated this issue was discussed during the December 5 Work Session. It was felt that maintenance agreements were not an effective way of enforcing landscape regulations and that it would be more effective to do so through code enforcement. City Attorney Stan Lowry stated that as the Zoning Ordinance is the law, there is no need to have contractual agreements. There was discussion on having one highway corridor district to govern all pieces, which would require the revocation of current overlay districts; that the product of the Master Overlay District is not changing anything on Highway 121 or Cheek Sparger but extending it along Highway 183; changes in Section 4.18G regarding parking regulations, which gives the ability for the Development Director to make certain decisions instead of the Planning and Zoning Commission; and Section 4.18L where there were revisions on top of other revisions.

Councilmember Nolan requested to be on record regarding her concerns on the following: Section 4.18K regarding non-conforming situations; requiring new construction to maintain the 30-foot setback and existing businesses to have 20 – 25% landscaping in the front; Section 4.18H regarding the removal of language requiring masonry walls between businesses and residents; the removal of maintenance agreements for landscaping and whether it can be taken care of through an ordinance; and that if certain businesses along Highway 183 make changes in any way that they come into compliance with the Overlay District. In regards to Section 4.18, Mr. Syblon stated that it was a redundant concept to address the subject in both the Overlay District and the Zoning Ordinance. There was discussion regarding concessions made by Chili's and QuickTrip and that such things are always

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encouraged on the staff level. It was requested of staff that an explanation be provided for any substantive changes made to the document prior to coming back to Council.

Mayor Griffin adjourned the Work Session at 6:11 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To convene before the Regular Session, if time permits, in the conference room in compliance with Section 551.001 et. Seq. Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:

- a) Pursuant to Section 551.071(2), consultation with the City Attorney on matters in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code – Zoning for group homes.**

Council convened into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(2), consultation with the City Attorney on matters in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code – Zoning for group homes at 6:13 p.m.

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:07 p.m. Any necessary action to be taken as a result of the Executive Session will occur during the Regular Session of the Bedford City Council Meeting.

REGULAR SESSION 6:30 P.M.

The Regular Session began at 7:10 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/GENERAL COMMENTS

Mayor Griffin called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION (Pastor Tyler Downing, Woodland Heights Baptist Church)

Pastor Tyler Downing of Woodland Heights Baptist Church gave tonight's invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

OPEN FORUM

Bob Eckland, 1325 Wade Drive – Mr. Eckland stated that he is concerned about a new business, specifically a nursing home, going in to his neighborhood. He stated it will affect the value of his house and is concerned about the traffic it will bring. The building is being prepared for five patients and he does not know where people are going to park. He is in favor of helping people who need help. He stated that there could be five, ten or 15 cars parked on the street and that it is not healthy for the neighborhood. He is in favor of that kind of business and the service it provides but a neighborhood is not the place for it.

Lloyd Fairless, 1200 Wade Drive – Mr. Fairless stated that he lives one block from Donna Lane. He is sympathetic to the people using the facility but he is also sympathetic to those people who have saved and worked hard and whose biggest expense is their home. Homes are going to devalued and become more rundown. If people sell their homes, the people who buy them may only want to rent them out. He is concerned about parking and traffic and that there is already a lot of parking on the street. In regards to devaluing of homes, even if it is just mental, he asked why people should be stressed so some other people can make money. He stated that there is business property available and that the neighborhood

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is single family residential. He stated that current laws need to be enforced or Council needs to take a look at the laws.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ITEMS BY CONSENT

Motioned by Councilmember Turner, seconded by Councilmember Davisson, to approve the following items by consent: 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Motion approved 7-0-0. Mayor Griffin declared the motion carried.

COUNCIL RECOGNITION

1. Employee Service Recognition

The following employees received recognition for dedicated service and commitment to the City of Bedford:

Bill Syblon, Development – 10 years of service
Russell Hines, Code Enforcement – 15 years of service

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2. Consider approval of the following City Council minutes: a) February 12, 2013 regular meeting

This item was approved by consent.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

3. The following individuals have requested to speak to the Council tonight under Persons to be Heard. a) Roy Savage, 880 Jerry Lane, Bedford, Texas – Requested to speak to the Council regarding the City Expo.

Roy Savage, 880 Jerry Lane – Mr. Savage spoke on behalf of the Community Affairs Commission. He wanted to update Council on what has been done in preparation for the City Expo to be held on Saturday, March 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the old library building. He thanked the Mayor and Council for charging the Commission with putting together this information forum. He also thanked the senior staff for their enthusiastic assistance in pulling this together. He gave kudos to the staff, his fellow member on the Expo Committee David Franklin, Council Liaison Councilmember Boyter and staff liaison Deputy City Manager David Miller. The purpose of the Expo is to do their best of informing citizens of the services performed on their behalf. He stated there is an obligation to inform citizens as to the affect that City tax dollars have on their daily lives. He presented the configuration of the event, which will feature over 30 individual booths manned by staff informing people about their duties. City equipment from Fire, Police Parks and Public Works will be on display and manned by personnel. There will be explanations in the form of charted income and expenditures on what the City's tax dollars do for residents. There will be representatives from some of the City's service providers including Oncor, Atmos and Allied Waste and they will have some of their equipment there as well. There will be three food trucks including a pizza truck on E.M. Bilger, which will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the event. City vehicles will be parked in the BluesFest parking area or on the north end of the old library's parking lot. There will be representatives from the Citizen's Police and Fire Academy Alumni Associations, the Community Emergency Response Team and the Friends of the Library. A banner has been placed at Bedford Road and Forest Ridge Drive, posters and flyers have been distributed, information has been posted on the City's website and Facebook page as well at the back of the water bill. There has been a press release and emails have been sent to homeowner's associations. The City's portable sign has been placed across from City Hall to advertise the event. Restaurants in the

area have been asked to provide coupons. Surveys will be conducted to determine how people get news regarding the City. In answer to a question from Council, Mr. Savage stated that there will be no other Boards or Commissions present but that the Library Foundation will have a booth.

b) James Trigg, 1316 Wade Drive, Bedford, Texas – Requested to speak to the Council regarding zoning violations in residential neighborhoods.

James Trigg, 1316 Wade Drive – Mr. Trigg stated that the City is allowing an investment firm to build an assisted living center business at 604 Donna Lane next to his property in a neighborhood zoned as single family attached. He stated that the center is a business and the only intended use for what used to be a home. It is very much like a small nursing home and will have healthcare attendants in the facility around the clock to care for people unable to care for themselves. It is a for-profit business that is not funded by a State or federal program; they are regulated by those entities but receive no funding from them. He presented a page from the Texas Department on Aging and Disability Services that gave the definition of an assisted living center. He believed that the investor was hiding his intentions so that surrounding neighbors would not raise objections. The builder did not obtain a building permit until Mr. Trigg reported him to the City. The house was transferred on the tax rolls to PBH Investments on September 25, 2012. Substantial renovations to the property began in the early part of October. Architectural plans for the renovation were dated December 12 of last year; however, inside demolition began before the plans were finished. He reported this to the City on January 9 and all work stopped the following week until January 29 when a permit was issued. He stated that a massive amount of work was being done for two and a half months before the owner even applied for a permit. He stated that he is led to suspect that the owner wanted to fly under the radar and that he owns his own architectural and general contracting firms. He obtained a copy of the building permits a couple weeks ago and that they were requested and issued under residential. The estimated value of the work was stated to be \$25,000; however, the owner told him and others that he was spending \$200,000 just on renovations on top of what he paid for the house. In looking at the permit, commercial projects over \$50,000 require a Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation project number from the state, which he stated is one good reason to call it residential rather than commercial. He stated there are no interior walls, plumbing fixtures, cabinets, air conditioners or appliances left from the original house. An automatic fire sprinkler system has been installed, 500 square feet of additional space has been added and the garage has been turned into bedrooms. No plot plan was filed up front showing the changes from the original footprint. The building is now eight feet closer to neighboring property lines. He stated that the permit fees for a \$25,000 renovation are \$504 while the fees for a \$200,000 renovation are \$1,992 so it looks like the City was shortchanged. He stated that this is a business and not a group home, a home occupation nor a cooperative, functioning family unit. He stated the owner's website refers to it as a residential care home and lists a pricing schedule.

Mr. Trigg stated that what he keeps hearing is that the City had a similar issue about a year and half ago and it was complicated. There was reluctance to bring the issue up again because it had been looked at before and there was doubt regarding support without a strong showing from his neighborhood. He wanted to make it clear that if one resides anywhere in Bedford that this is their issue too. There are about a dozen homes for sale in his immediate neighborhood and they could become nursing homes in the future. The City's Zoning Ordinance states group homes cannot be more than one half mile from each other but does have restrictions on assisted living centers. If this was a group home, he asked how anybody would know to check the distance if it is checked as a residence on the building permit. He handed out email communications between himself and the City Manager and stated that her response had nothing to do with the business of an assisted living center. He only included it to show how some cities have been duped into allowing these operations to function under the radar as a group home. He stated that there are a lot of entrepreneurs out there and where there is money to be made, they will capitalize on it. If this situation is allowed to continue, where property can be bought up and renovated for businesses, neighborhoods will be overrun.

Mr. Trigg stated that what he wanted from the City government was the following: to establish a tracking mechanism and dialogue between the Permitting and Zoning Departments to send up red flags when these types of issues come up; that the Permitting Department needs to be more vigilant in the scope of

work to be done; that the builder be fined heavily for going around the permitting process and that all construction be stopped until the fine is paid; and that the builder have to reapply for permits under commercial and pay the appropriate permit fees for the scope of work being done. He asked that this issue not be swept under the carpet because it is complicated and that it is a for-profit money-making business and the sole use for what used to be a single family residence. He asked that the City work with its counterparts to draft regulations to prevent this type of thing in the future. He asked if this issue is still looked at as a group home, how are such things as the generation of hazardous waste regulated and would it be permitted to be disposed of in the standard garbage collection. He showed a picture of one of the builder's current centers showing the security lighting. He stated that in regards to not being able to tell the difference from the outside and the surrounding homes, that no house in his neighborhood has a full glass showroom style entrance with a glass door that looks through the house to the backyard. There is a 19-foot wide expanse of glass that is larger than a double garage door. He asked about traffic with five residents, two caregivers, deliveries, linen service, biohazard waste disposal, senior buses, family visits and ambulances. The driveway is 84 feet with no garage, which may be enough for four cars to park so the rest will have to park in the street. He asked that the Council consider the consequences of doing nothing and asked that the rights of homeowners be protected by denying a certificate of occupancy for the stated use of the building. He personally thanked Council members Nolan, Olsen and Brown for being responsive to this issue.

c) Dorothy McWhorter, 1600 Martha Drive Bedford, Texas – Requested to speak to the Council regarding 604 Donna in Bedford.

Dorothy McWhorter, 1600 Martha Drive – Ms. McWhorter thanked the Council for the email response of February 13 and gave special thanks to Councilmember Nolan. She presented a timeline of events regarding this issue. On January 9 she called the City Manager requesting information on the remodeling of 604 Donna Lane. She had heard it was going to be an assisted living business operating in a residential neighborhood. She was informed that a check would be made and that the City Manager would get back with her. On February 12, she appeared before the Council and stated that she had not received a reply. In regards to questions on 604 Donna Lane, she stated she felt that Council could not reply because they had no idea what she was talking about. She stated that after the meeting, Mayor Griffin told her that 604 Donna Lane could possibly be tied to the City's ordinance on home occupations. On February 13, she received an email from the City Manager containing 3.5 pages of what this business might be; it gave the criteria for a home occupation but does not clearly define the term. She stated that on August 10, 2000, the Council defined home occupation as, "Occupation, profession, activity or use that is clearly a customary, incidental and secondary use of a residential dwelling unit and which does not alter the exterior of the property, dwelling unit or accessory structures or adversely affects the residential character of the neighborhood". This definition is listed in Section 5.12 of the Zoning Ordinance. By this definition, home occupation could not be used as justification for a boarding house at 604 Donna Lane. She stated that state laws regarding group homes, community homes and assisted living facilities were listed in the City Manager's email. She stated that no determination was made to justify a building permit. On February 15, she stated that she received an email from Councilmember Brown with communications between him and the City Manager in which he requested clarification and justification for the business that was going to operate in a residential neighborhood. She stated that in the City Manager's email, the City Manager said that it might be a group home, a community home or a residential care home and that she was turning the matter over to the City Attorney. Ms. McWhorter asked why this issue was not handed over to the City Attorney on December 31 when the application for a permit was requested. She stated that it has been 45 days since a permit was requested and there still has been no decision on how to justify a boarding house in a residential neighborhood. She stated that she witnessed construction on January 9 but the permit was not approved until January 29. Remodeling was going on from early October until January 9 without a permit and she asked where Code Enforcement and the Permit Department were. She further asked why there was a delay in approving or rejecting the request for the building permit. On February 22, she stated that she reviewed the remodeling plans for the house and noted no plans for a sprinkler system submitted by the property owner until the Fire Department must have entered the picture. Approval from the Fire Department was dated January 24. She stated that the remodeling plans enlarge the square footage of the building by 486.3 square feet, or 21.2%, in living space and asked what the City's

procedures on reporting the increase in living space to the Tarrant Appraisal District. She stated that the landlord for 604 Donna Lane has made an inquiry regarding a house two blocks from this one and asked how close together these boarding houses are allowed. She further asked if there was an ordinance in place to stop this. She asked if Councilmember Brown would take the lead on adopting an ordinance to address this issue. Councilmember Brown stated that the Council has consulted with the City Attorney and tasked him with bringing Council options regarding this issue. Further, there are state and federal laws granting protection to some parties.

There was discussion on issues related to different state and federal laws and that the city attorney has been asked by the Council to examine what options are available to the City. It was further stated that the owner of the property has applied for a Class B use. It was stated that there will be an update on this issue at the March 26 Council meeting. Councilmember Turner wanted it on the record that he will do nothing to mess up that neighborhood, his neighborhood or any other neighborhood because that is the City of Bedford.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Consider a resolution amending Article 1. Section 1.02 and adding a mission statement to the H.E.B. Teen Court Advisory Board Bylaws.

Administrative Services Director Cliff Blackwell presented information regarding this item and Item #5. This item is to add a mission statement to the bylaws that reads, "Provide Counsel to the Teen Court to guide and support students and parents, and positively connect with the community." The Teen Court Advisory Board recommended changes to the parameters regarding the student advisory positions on the Board. Currently, there are nine regular members on the Board, with three of those positions being student advisors. Of those three, one must attend Trinity, one must attend L.D. Bell and the other can either attend a private school or be homeschooled. They also must reside in the cities of Hurst, Euless or Bedford. The student terms are for one year with the regular positions having two year terms. The recommended changes are to allow students to apply regardless of what school they attend or where they reside as long as they have completed the equivalent of seventh grade. This issue has been discussed with the Board and approved at their October 12 meeting. Staff was charged with bringing these changes to their respective city councils for approval. He stated that Teen Court Coordinator Mindy Eichorst and Board Member Kathleen Toms were in attendance to answer any questions the Council may have.

There was discussion regarding the respective city attorneys having reviewed these changes; the rationale behind changing the residency and age requirements; the recruitment efforts at Trinity and L.D. Bell; that the HEB school district is unique in that it runs from tenth to twelfth grades; that the Board will make the decisions on who will serve on the Board; and that the volunteers are not getting hours for community service. Council was of the consensus that the student advisory members live in Hurst, Euless and Bedford and that this item be tabled to be brought back to the Board. Council also discussed that the minimum age should be at least 13.

Motioned by Councilmember Davisson, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to approve a resolution amending Article 1. Section 1.02 and adding a mission statement to the H.E.B. Teen Court Advisory Board Bylaws.

Motion approved 7-0-0. Mayor Griffin declared the motion carried.

5. Consider a resolution to amend Section 1 of the Interlocal Agreement between the cities of Bedford, Euless and Hurst for the combining efforts for the provision of a Teen Court Program in Municipal Court.

This item was discussed with Item #4.

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Motioned by Councilmember Davisson, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to approve a resolution to amend Section 1 of the Interlocal Agreement between the cities of Bedford, Euless and Hurst for the combining efforts for the provision of a Teen Court Program in Municipal Court.

Motion approved 7-0-0. Mayor Griffin declared the motion carried.

- 6. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into the first year of a two-year agreement with Texas Harley-Davidson for the lease of five Harley-Davidson police package motorcycles in the amount of \$22,500.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 7. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase shade structures for Bedford Splash in the amount of \$25,716 through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 8. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Ark Contracting Services, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement in Segment 11 Part B of the Sulphur Branch Tributary in the amount of \$557,302.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 9. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Bedford and Tarrant County for street improvements on one-half of Murphy Drive from Bedford Road to south of Harwood Drive and the HMA overlay on one-half of the roadway on Murphy Drive from Bedford Road to Harwood Road.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 10. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into Utility Adjustment Agreement Amendment #3 (UAAA) with NTE Mobility Partners, LLC and Bluebonnet Contractors, LLC for the adjustment of the City of Bedford's existing utilities impacted by the North Tarrant Express Project.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 11. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Utilitex Construction LLP for Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement in the basin 19.1W of the Sulphur Branch Tributary in the amount of \$451,045.50.**

This item was approved by consent.

- 12. Report on most recent meeting of the following Boards and Commissions:**
 - ✓ **Animal Shelter Advisory Board - Councilmember Olsen**

No report was given.

- ✓ **Beautification Commission – Councilmember Turner**

Councilmember Turner reported that the Commission met and had lively discussion with 6Stones regarding pushing forward with the Community Garden. A homeowner's association presented itself for assistance from the Commission with beautifying their entrance.

- ✓ **Community Affairs Commission - Councilmember Boyter**

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Councilmember Boyter stated that the Commission's primary focus has been on the City of Bedford Expo scheduled for this Saturday at the old library building. He encouraged everybody come out to meet departments and get to know the people who work for the City.

✓ **Cultural Commission - Councilmember Nolan**

Councilmember Nolan reported that the Commission met with the Council and gave them an update on what the Commission has been doing. They discovered arts groups in the City and that they do not know each other or what is going on. They are working on finding ways to let them know what is available in regards to classes, venues and events.

✓ **Library Board – Councilmember Brown**

Councilmember Brown reported that the Library's satisfaction survey is online until middle of March. The Library has a busy weekend with the Expo on Saturday and SuessFest on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

✓ **Parks & Recreation Board - Councilmember Davisson**

Councilmember Davisson stated that the Board does not meet until after the first of the month.

✓ **Senior Citizen Advisory Board - Councilmember Turner**

Councilmember Turner reported he was unable to attend the last meeting of the Board.

✓ **Teen Court Advisory Board - Councilmember Olsen**

Councilmember Olsen stated that the Board will meet Tuesday, March 5.

13. Council member reports

Mayor Griffin reported that the dog park ground breaking ceremony was held this weekend and was attended by Channel 4 and 11. The dog park will be at Meadowpark as a joint partnership between the City and HEBISD. They are still awaiting final approval from Oncor.

Mayor Griffin also reported that he has been appointed to the 911 Committee for the Tarrant County Mayor's Council. Their first meeting was on Monday and they are responsible for administering, updating, and modifying the operations of the public answering points in the community. He will bring updates to the City as they happen.

Mayor Griffin stated that on Wednesday, March 6 at 9:00 a.m. he will be holding a press conference along with representatives from Cheddars to speak on the growth and beautification efforts of the City and the importance of bringing new business into the City. They will also be bringing down the CI Host building.

14. City Manager/Staff Reports

a) Follow-up on discussion during previous Work Session regarding mowing liens assessed against the property located at Block 1, Lots 12 and 13, Oak Grove Estates Addition.

City Manager Beverly Griffith updated Council on this issue from the previous Council meeting. The City did receive payments for these liens and the releases were filed with the County on February 25.

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

No action was necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Griffin adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Jim Griffin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Wells, City Secretary