

# Community Affairs Commission Minutes March 21, 2019

## STATE OF TEXAS

## COUNTY OF TARRANT

## CITY OF BEDFORD

The Community Affairs Commission of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in regular session at 5:30 pm at the City Hall Conference Room, 2000-A Forest Ridge Drive, Bedford, Texas, Thursday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2019 with the following members present:

Sal Caruso  
Robert Gagliardi  
Storm Finley  
Mary Frazier

Nichelle Dawkins  
Doug White  
Margaret Hall  
Terry Sullivan

Constituting a quorum.

### **Others Present:**

Meg Jakubik – City Staff Representative  
Michael Boyter – City Council Liaison

### **Absent:**

Tracy Madewell

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Caruso called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

## **OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME**

Chairman Caruso mentioned there are now three openings on the commission. Mr. Solt has resigned due to work commitments. Ms. Moyé is now an alternate for the Planning and Zoning Commission and cannot serve on more than one board or commission at a time. There was already an existing opening on the commission. Chairman Caruso encouraged commissioners to solicit applications. However, Ms. Jakubik mentioned that the open roles may not be filled until September.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. **Review/revise and approve minutes of the following Community Affairs Commission meetings:**
  - a) **February 21, 2019**

Vice Chairman Gagliardi moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion and passed unanimously by the commission.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

2. **Discussion and possible action on subcommittee recommendations to Council.**

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Chairman Caruso suggested that the Commission charter be updated to remove the City Expo and Faith Based Sub-Committees. The City Expo is every other year and does not need a lot of involvement from the commission and there hasn't been much activity for the Faith Based Sub-Committee.

Ms. Hall moved to recommend to the city council removal of the Faith Based Outreach Sub-Committee and the City Expo Sub-Committee from the Community Affairs Commission Charter and replace them with the Block Party Sub-Committee and the Community Awards Sub-Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Frazier and passed unanimously by the commission.

### 3. Discussion and possible action on the business to be spotlighted at the next Residential Outreach.

Chairman Caruso suggested the commission narrow down choices for a business to be featured at the Residential Outreach meeting. Previous mentioned suggestions included Rita's Ice, Rosako's, What's Poppin' Texas, Wood & Grain, and Argentine's Sweet and Salty Bakery.

Mr. Sullivan moved that Wood & Grain be the spotlight business at the Residential Outreach meeting. Vice Chairman Gagliardi seconded and the motion was passed by the commission unanimously.

### 4. Review and possible action regarding Subcommittee Director Reports:

#### a. Residential Outreach

Ms. Jakubik stated that the original date for the residential outreach conflicted with the Teen Court Gala and alternative dates were discussed by the Commission. The commission selected the new date of May 8, 2019.

#### i. Block Party

Chairman Caruso stated he has several restaurants on board for the black party on April 26. The letters have gone out and 24 residents have granted permission.

#### b. Business Outreach

Mr. White is working on updating the business list and plans to have a sub-committee meeting with Mr. Sullivan and Ms. Dawkins on March 22.

#### c. Faith Based Outreach

6Stones has their Community Powered Revitalization Event on April 5 and 6.

#### d. City Expo

Mr. Finley passed around a sheet for Commission members to sign up for timeslots. Ms. Jakubik stated weather may be a concern, but the City would monitor and post updates on social media if the event was canceled.

### 5. Council Liaison Report

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Mr. Boyter mentioned the Old Bedford School will be opening for rentals soon. He also mentioned the Twilight Concert Series coming up in May.

### **6. Staff Liaison Report**

Ms. Jakubik reiterated the great news that the Old Bedford School is open and that it is an option for a venue to have CAC events.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chairman Gagliardi moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hall and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Sal Caruso, Chairman