

Community Affairs Commission Minutes August 15, 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 15th of August 2019 with the following members present:

Sal Caruso
Robert Gagliardi
Storm Finley
Paola Mariscal

Nichelle Dawkins
Terry Sullivan
Margaret Hall
Joshua Renken

Constituting a quorum.

Others Present:

Meg Jakubik – City Staff Representative
Ruth Culver– City Council Liaison

Absent:

Doug White
Rick Solt

Tracy Madewell

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Caruso called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME

Chairman Caruso welcomed everyone back from the summer break. He introduced the Commissioners to Councilwoman Culver and welcomed the new Chamber Representative-Commissioner Paola Mariscal.

Mr. White has moved to Granbury and will no longer lead the business outreach. Vice Chairman Gagliardi will take over business outreach.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Review/revise and approve minutes of the following Community Affairs Commission meetings:

a) May 16, 2019

- Vice Chairman Gagliardi moved to approve the minutes, Ms. Hall seconded the motion and passed unanimously by the commission.

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NEW BUSINESS

2. Discussion on Residential and Business Awards programs.

Chairman Caruso stated there has been sub-committees to pare down the nominations prior to coming to the full commission, but we were unable to follow that procedure due to time constraints.

The commission voted on a large and small business award winner as well as a residential award winner. The Residential Award winner will be recognized at the September 24 City Council Meeting and the October 24 Residential Outreach Meeting. The Business Award winners will be recognized at the October 22 City Council meeting and the November 13 Business Outreach meeting.

3. Review and possible action regarding Subcommittee Director Reports:

a. Residential Outreach

Ms. Hall had no report but will be reaching out for assistance. She wanted to make sure Commissioners mark their calendars for October 24, 2019 at the Movie Tavern.

i. Block Party

Chairman Caruso stated the block party is September 26, 2019 at Stonegate Elementary. There will be 21 businesses represented. Expecting 500 – 800 people for turnout.

b. Business Outreach

Vice Chairman Gagliardi has taken over leading this event. He will be working with Mr. Sullivan and Ms. Dawkins to gather information. The Sub-Committee plans to send potential attendees a survey to gauge what timeframe would work best for attendance.

c. Faith Based Outreach

Nothing to report.

4. Council Liaison Report

Council Woman Culver mentioned that Bedford would be participating in the Clear the Shelters Event on August 17 and there would be no fee for pet adoptions.

5. Staff Liaison Report.

Ms. Jakubik mentioned terms end for Commissioners White, Solt, Hall, Gagliardi and Caruso this year and they would need to apply again in order to continue serving. She also mentioned Bedford Blues Fest would be August 30 – September 1.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

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Sal Caruso, Chairman