The City Council of the City of Seabrook met in regular session on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in Seabrook City Hall, 1700 First Street, Seabrook, Texas to discuss, consider and if appropriate, take action on the items listed below.

THOSE PRESENT WERE:

GLENN R. ROYAL	MAYOR
ROBERT LLORENTE – Ex. Abs.	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 1
MIKE GIANGROSSO	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 2
GARY JOHNSON	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 3
DON HOLBROOK	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 4
THOM KOLUPSKI	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 5
LAURA DAVIS	MAYOR PRO TEM & COUNCIL PLACE NO. 6
KELLY TEMPLIN	CITY MANAGER
GAYLE COOK	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
STEVEN L. WEATHERED	CITY ATTORNEY
MICHELE L. GLASER	CITY SECRETARY

Mayor Royal called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the audience in the United States and Texas Pledges of Allegiance.

1.0 PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Proclaim April 21-23, 2013 as "Cody Dennings Days" in the City of Seabrook. (Council)

Mayor Royal presented the proclamation to Cody and his family.

1.2 Present Certificates of Appreciation to members of the Seabrook/SFVD Fire Services Contract Committee. (Council)

Mayor Royal presented certificates to members of the committee.

1.3 Present Certificates of Appreciation to Organizers of the annual "Trash Bash." (Council)

Mayor Royal presented certificates to organizers.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

2.1 Mayor, City Council and/or members of the city staff may make announcements about city/community events. (Council)

Several upcoming events were announced.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approve the annual renewal of EDC's professional services agreement with Riveron Corp. for Waterfront Drive Project administration services in the amount of $42,000 to be effective April 1, 2013. (EDC)

3.2 Approve second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2013-07, "Updating and Amending Sign Standards & Related Definitions to Prohibit Human Directional Sign Spinners." (Landis/P&Z)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK APPENDIX A, COMPREHENSIVE ZONING, ARTICLE 6, "SIGN STANDARDS", SUBSECTION 6.02 "DEFINITIONS", BY ADDING NEW DEFINITION FOR "HUMAN DIRECTIONAL/SIGN SPINNER"; SECTION 6.05 "PROHIBITED SIGNS," ADDING NEW SUBSECTION 6.05.13, "SIGN, HUMAN DIRECTIONAL/SIGN SPINNER" BY PROHIBITING SAID USE; PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $2000 FOR VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION HEREOF BY INCLUSION INTO THE CODE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

3.3 Approve a refund of five (5) years of sewer charges to Lakepointe Forest Home Owners' Association in the amount of $3,565.12. (Lab)

3.4 Approve a Special Event Permit for a membership recruitment rally for Pack 95 Cub Scouts to be held at Meador Park on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. pending receipt of insurance, temporary signs and a waiver of fees. (Applicant)

3.5 Approve the March 2013 Community Development Report. (Landis)

3.6 Approve the March 2013 Public Safety Report. (Holomon)

3.7 Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on April 2, 2013, (Glaser)

Motion was made by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Holbrook

To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Consider approval of proposed Resolution No. 2013-08, "Designation of Asparagus Group, L.L.C. in the SH 146 Corridor Empowerment Zone and Provision for Economic Incentives." (EDC/Templin)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, TEXAS, DESIGNATING ASPARAGUS GROUP, L.L.C. FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT ZONE DESIGNATED AS "THE SH 146 CORRIDOR EMPOWERMENT ZONE" BY RESOLUTION 2011-01 AND PROVIDING FOR ECONOMIC INCENTIVES

Motion was made by Councilor Kolupski and seconded by Councilor Davis

To approve Resolution No. 2013-08 as presented.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

4.2 Consider approval of a contract between the City of Seabrook and the Seabrook Volunteer Fire Department for fire services. (Davis)

Mr. Weathered offered several non-substantive changes to the contract, including deleting language that required approval by resolution.

Motion was made by Councilor Davis and seconded by Councilor Holbrook

To approve the contract with the recommended changes and to authorize the mayor to sign the amended contract.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

5.1 Consider funding in the amount of $5,000 from the General Fund for the University of Houston Clear Lake "Liberty Bell Project" for the encouragement, promotion, and improvement of the exhibition of art and historical preservation. Funding is available through the Reserve Fund. This item was originally discussed on April 2, 2013. (Council)

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Johnson

To approve the request.

Mr. Templin stated that, if approved, the monies would be taken from General Fund Reserves.

Mayor Royal stated that he had reservations using reserves due to the anticipated financial impact to the city caused by the widening of SH 146. Councilor Giangrosso asked if the funding for the Liberty Bell could be postponed. Mayor Royal stated that the full impact of the SH 146 widening would probably not be known for 3-4 years. Councilor Holbrook asked for an explanation of why hotel tax monies could not be used for this project. Mr. Templin stated that the expenditure of hotel tax projects would require an anticipated increase in hotel stays in addition to funding for the arts.

Councilor Johnson spoke in favor of the project stating that it is a long term investment for the city.

Motion was made by Councilor Johnson

To amend the motion to contribute $1,000 to this project.

MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

Mayor Royal then called for a vote on the original motion.

Ayes: Johnson.
Nays: Royal, Davis, Giangrosso, Holbrook, Kolupski.

MOTION FAILS.

6.0 ROUTINE BUSINESS

6.1 Consider approval of the Action Items Checklist which is attached and made a part of this agenda. (Council)

After reviewing the list, members determined that Items 3, 6 and 13 could be removed. Other items were updated as follows:

#7 Contest entrees to rename the swimming pool complex will be on the 5/7 agenda.

#11 P&Z to review special advertising for special events at its June meeting.

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Kolupski

To approve the Checklist as amended.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

6.2 Establish future meeting dates and agenda items, including a reminder of the Council planning session on April 30 and the possible rescheduling of the May 21 Council meeting. (Council)

Mrs. Glaser stated that three council members would be unable to attend the May 21 meeting and asked Council members if they wished to reschedule the meeting or cancel it.

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Davis

To cancel the May 21 council meeting and to meet on May 28 if necessary at the discretion of the mayor.

MOTION CARRIES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Council was reminded of the planning session on April 30 at 6:00 p.m. and that review of the upcoming budget would begin in mid-June.

Upon motion, Mayor Royal adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Approved this the 7th day of May, 2013.

Glenn R. Royal, Mayor

Michele L. Glaser, TRMC
City Secretary

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