

Julie Masters, Mayor
Mark Townsend
Kerry Neves
Mary Dunbaugh, Mayor Pro Tem

MINUTES
City of Dickinson
**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL
WORKSHOP MEETING**

Charles Suderman
Louis Decker
William H. King III
Julie M. Johnston, City
Administrator

MARCH 25, 2008

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING** on **TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2008**. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers located at 1621 FM 517 East, Dickinson, Galveston County, Texas, and was held for the purpose of considering the following items:

ITEM 1.) CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Masters called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. City Secretary Carol McLemore called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Dunbaugh and Council Members Charles Suderman Mark Townsend, Kerry Neves, William King and Louis Decker. Also present were City Attorney, Loren B. Smith, City Administrator Julie Johnston, Chief Ron Morales, Fire Marshal Norman Hicks, Community Development Coordinator Angela Forbes, and Building Inspector, Mike Ingalsbe.

ITEM 2.) BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING: Anti-tethering Regulations.

City Council reviewed the ordinance for anti-tethering regulations that City Staff had submitted. After some discussion, it was agreed to consider the ordinance with the following changes:

- Section 4-35 (b) - Make the requirements for enclosure the same as the definition in Section 4-3.
- Add a new Section 4-35 (e) to read "Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit owners from reasonably restraining dogs to protect those dogs from endangering themselves from storms, thunder, lightening or other loud noise or other stimuli," and to re-letter the existing subsection (e) to (f).
- Add wording to allow reasonable tethering in yards without fences or enclosures.

ITEM 3.) ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Townsend made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Suderman.

VOTE:

6 AYES (Suderman, Dunbaugh, Townsend, Neves, Decker and King)
0 NAYS

Passed, approved and adopted this 8th day of April, 2008.

Julie Masters, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carol L. McLemore, City Secretary