

Julie Masters, Mayor  
Charles Suderman  
Mary Dunbaugh  
Walter Wilson, Mayor Pro Tem

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

Kerry Neves  
Louis Decker  
William H. King III  
Julie M. Johnston, City  
Administrator

**August 9, 2011**

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING** on **August 9, 2011**. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers located at 4403 Highway 3, 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 6:03 p.m. City Secretary Carolyn Anderson called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, and Council Members Charles Suderman, Mary Dunbaugh, Kerry Neves, Louis Decker and William King. Mayor Pro Tem Walter Wilson was absent. Also present were City Administrator Julie Johnston, Management Intern Jessica Rogers, Finance Mary Young, Public Works Kevin Byal, Fire Marshal Norman Hicks, Library Director Vicki McCallister. Public Works Kellis George and Chief Ron Morales arrived at 6:20. Court Clerk Irma Rivera arrived at 6:33.

**ITEM 2.) BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING:** Update on Status of City's Fair Housing Activities and Revisions to Long Term Plan to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing in the City of Dickinson Calendar years 2010-2015 Based on State of Texas Phase 1 Analysis of Impediments.

City Administrator Julie Johnston introduced Management Intern Jessica Rogers who outlined the new requirements placed on the City of Dickinson in order to continue its participation in the Disaster Recovery CDBG Program. Ms. Rogers shared that all cities must comply with the Fair Housing Activity Statement (FHASt) form and the requirements in the next two months. She stated that the City will apply to the General Land Office ("GLO") for an extension due to the tight timeline. The steps needed to comply with the FHASt form process by September 23<sup>rd</sup> were outlined. Ms. Johnston explained that the Fair Housing Advisory Committee that has been in place since September of 2010 places the City somewhat ahead of the process. The City will need to formally create the committee, which will be subject to the Open Meeting Act and must undertake the required actions as outlined in the FHASt Form Guide. In addition to the current members of the Fair Housing Advisory Committee, the Council suggested that the City seek a representative from Dickinson Independent School District. Ms. Johnston will be attending the required FHASt Work Session on August 30, 2011.

Ms. Rogers then briefed the Council on the Proposed Revisions to the Long-Term Plan for Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing in The City of Dickinson Calendar Years 2010 – 2015. The document outlines the impediments that need to be addressed by the City and added into the plan and those items that have already been addressed by the City. Ms. Rogers also outlined the future action items and possible resources to fund some of the projects.

Ms. Rogers also briefed the Council on a public information document regarding fair housing that she has developed as well as the content of the new Fair Housing page that will be added to the City's website.

Councilman Decker made a motion to adjourn the meeting the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Councilwoman Dunbaugh seconded the motion.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED.**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 23rd day of August, 2011.

  
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Julie Masters, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Carolyn E. Anderson, City Secretary

