

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 23, 2011**

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING** on **August 23, 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 E. Anderson called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, Mayor Pro Tem Walter Wilson and Council Members Mary Dunbaugh, Kerry Neves, and William King. Councilman Louis Decker arrived at 6:05 p.m. Councilman Charles Suderman was absent. Also present were City Administrator Julie Johnston, Finance Director Mary Young, Building Official Kevin Byal, and Public Works Kellis George.

**ITEM 2.) BRIEFING, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Request by Wallace Mayad for the Possible Abandonment of the South End of Minnesota Street Right-of-Way.

Julie Johnston, City Administrator, introduced Mr. Wallace Mayad and asked him to address City Council with his request for the possible abandonment of the south end of Minnesota Street right-of-way. Mr. Mayad presented Council with an outline of his projected plans for the property and the design of the proposed construction. A discussion followed concerning the pipeline, notifying the utility companies and the Corps of Engineers. Mayor Masters asked Mr. Mayad if he was aware of the codes and that the right-of-way would have to be sold for fair market value. Mr. Mayad stated that he was aware of the process. Further discussion followed concerning the bulkhead, cable, building on top of a pipeline, and concerns about access to the bayou. It was the consensus of the Council to allow Mr. Mayad to pursue his request for the City to abandon the south end of Minnesota Street right-of-way pursuant to the City's adopted Right-of-Way Abandonment Policy. City Administrator Julie Johnston stated that she would send Mr. Mayad a letter outlining the process.

**ITEM 3.) BRIEFING, DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Proposed Interlocal Agreement with Gulf Coast Center for Pedestrian-Transit Master Plan.

City Administrator Julie Johnston introduced Mr. Barry Goodman with The Goodman Corporation to present a proposed Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan to be undertaken through an Interlocal Agreement with the Gulf Coast Center. Mr. Goodman presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the proposed Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan that would allow the City to leverage the City's Community Development Block Grant funds and tax dollars to obtain federal grants. Part of the Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan will include the development of the regulations for the Highway 3 Overlay District. He stated that the Master Plan would ensure better connectivity between community and transit, encourage and promote revitalization and beautification, and stimulate sustainability and economic development. He also explained how available funds have been allocated and used in neighboring cities. The Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan will be complete within approximately six months and is meant to be an evolving multi-year plan.

Council commended City Administrator Julie Johnston for her efforts in pursuing the Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan and identifying opportunities for the City to leverage its funds for other grant opportunities. It was the consensus of the Council to undertake the Pedestrian/Transit Master Plan as presented by Mr. Goodman. Ms. Johnston stated that she will place the Interlocal Agreement with Gulf Coast Center on the September 13<sup>th</sup> agenda for approval.

**ITEM 4.) ADJOURN**

Councilman Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Councilman Dunbaugh seconded the motion.

**VOTE:**

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)  
0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED.**

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011.

  
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Julie Masters, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Carolyn E. Anderson, City Secretary

