

CITY OF BELLAIRE TEXAS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

JANUARY 13, 2014

Council Chamber

Special Session and Workshop Session

6:00 PM

7008 S. RICE AVENUE
BELLAIRE, TX 77401



Mayor

Dr. Philip L. Nauert

Mayor Pro Tem

Amanda B. Nathan

Councilman

James P. Avioli Sr.

Councilman

Pat B. McLaughlan

Councilman

Roman F. Reed

Councilman

Gus E. Pappas

Councilman

Andrew S. Friedberg

Mission Statement:

The City of Bellaire is dedicated to outstanding quality service and facilities to ensure an open, progressive, and secure community.

I. SPECIAL SESSION (EXECUTIVE SESSION) - 6:00 P.M.

A Special Session (Executive Session) of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2014, in the Council Chamber and Council Conference Room, both of which are located on the First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401, for the following purpose(s):

A. CALL TO ORDER - Dr. Philip L. Nauert, Mayor.

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM - Dr. Philip L. Nauert, Mayor.

C. CONVENE in Executive Session (Closed Session to be held in the Council Conference Room located directly behind the Council Chamber) under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting, for the purpose of discussing the appointment, selection, and employment of the City Manager - Members of City Council.

D. RECONVENE (Open Session to be held in the Council Chamber) and take action, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session (Closed Session) - Members of City Council.

1. Consideration of and possible action, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session (Closed Session).

(Requested by Tracy Dutton, City Clerk)

E. ADJOURNMENT.

II. WORKSHOP SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

A Workshop Session of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2014, in the Council Chamber, First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401, for the following purpose(s):

A. CALL TO ORDER - Dr. Philip L. Nauert, Mayor.

B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM - Dr. Philip L. Nauert.

C. PRESENTATION by Uptown Houston District President John Breeding regarding the latest developments for the Uptown Houston Mobility Plan, including the bus transit facility proposed to be located in or adjacent to the Bellaire Urban Village Transit-Oriented Development District (UV-T Zoning District).

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(Requested by Tracy Dutton, City Clerk)

D. DISCUSSION among members of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, City Staff, and Uptown Houston District President John Breeding regarding Mr. Breeding's presentation of the latest developments for the Uptown Houston Mobility Plan.

E. ADJOURNMENT.

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Meeting: 01/13/14 06:00 PM
Department: City Clerk
Category: Personnel
Prepared By: Tracy Dutton
Department Head: Tracy Dutton
DOC ID: 1030

**SCHEDULED
ACTION ITEM (ID # 1030)**

Item Title:

Consideration of and possible action, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session (Closed Session).

Item Summary:

An Executive Session (Closed Session) has been scheduled to be held in the Council Conference Room (located directly behind the Council Chamber) under the *Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting*, for the purpose of discussing the appointment, selection, and employment of the City Manager.

At the conclusion of the referenced Closed Session, City Council will reconvene in Open Session in the Council Chamber and take action, if desired, on item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

Source of Funding:

N/A

Recommendation:

Action as City Council deems appropriate.

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Meeting: 01/13/14 06:00 PM
Department: City Clerk
Category: Presentation
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**SCHEDULED
INFORMATION ITEM (ID
1032)**

Item Title:

PRESENTATION by Uptown Houston District President John Breeding regarding the latest developments for the Uptown Houston Mobility Plan, including the bus transit facility proposed to be located in or adjacent to the Bellaire Urban Village Transit-Oriented Development District (UV-T Zoning District).

Item Summary:

On August 20, 2012, Uptown Houston District President John Breeding (formerly the Executive Director of the Uptown Houston District) presented information to the Bellaire City Council regarding an Uptown Houston Mobility Plan ("Plan") which, if completed, would provide enhanced transit opportunities to and from Uptown Houston, as well as the City of Bellaire, Texas.

President Breeding advised that the proposed enhanced transit opportunities provided by the Plan would include a bus transit facility in lieu of previously proposed light rail lines, as the proposed rail lines had been deferred indefinitely, and would conveniently link the Bellaire Urban Village Transit-Oriented Development District (UV-T Zoning District) to Uptown Houston, Downtown Houston, and the western suburbs.

Following President Breeding's presentation on August 20, 2012, the Bellaire City Council adopted Resolution No. 12-09, expressing City Council's support of the efforts of Uptown Houston in developing the Plan and urging Uptown Houston to continue to pursue any and all transportation grant requests to outside funding sources to facilitate timely completion of the Plan. A copy of Resolution No. 12-09 is attached hereto.

President Breeding has prepared an update regarding the latest developments of the Plan, including the bus transit facility proposed to be located in or adjacent to the Bellaire UV-T Zoning District. The update will be presented to members of City Council and any and all other interested parties during a Workshop Session scheduled to be held on January 13, 2014.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution No. 12-09 - Support for Uptown Houston Mobility Plan (PDF)

RESOLUTION NO. 12-09**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLAIRE, TEXAS, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR AN UPTOWN HOUSTON MOBILITY PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Uptown Houston District ("Uptown Houston") has presented to the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, information regarding an Uptown Houston mobility plan, which, if completed would provide enhanced transit opportunities to and from Uptown Houston, as well as the City of Bellaire, Texas; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the City of Bellaire, Texas, in partnership with Uptown Houston, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Houston, Texas (METRO), and private property interests in the vicinity of the area of Bellaire bounded by Loop 610 on the east, U.S. Highway 59 on the north and private property in the City of Houston to the west, engaged the architectural firm of Ehrenkrantz, Eckstut and Kuhn to determine the feasibility and explore possibilities for creating a transit-oriented development at the confluence of the proposed METRO University and Uptown light rail lines; and

WHEREAS, based in part on the results of that study, the City of Bellaire created the Urban Village (Transit-Oriented Development) ("UV-T") Zoning District in the aforementioned area of Bellaire, Texas, to take advantage of previously planned enhanced transit opportunities afforded by the proposed light rail station within the city limits of the City of Bellaire, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the planned University and Uptown light rail has been deferred indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, enhanced transit opportunities that would conveniently link the Bellaire UV-T Zoning District to Uptown Houston, Downtown Houston and the western suburbs is essential to the development of the Bellaire UV-T Zoning District; and

WHEREAS, an Uptown Houston mobility plan would provide the necessary link in the form of enhanced transit opportunities, to include a bus transit facility in lieu of the previously proposed light rail lines and station, as well as provide for other funding opportunities for major pedestrian and street improvements in an otherwise underdeveloped area of the City of Bellaire, Texas; and

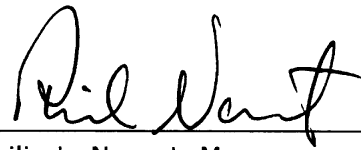
WHEREAS, the ultimate completion of an Uptown Houston mobility plan, to include a transit facility within and/or adjacent to the Bellaire UV-T Zoning District, is beneficial to the City of Bellaire, Texas, and its citizens; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BELLAIRE, TEXAS:**

1. THAT the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, hereby supports the efforts of Uptown Houston in developing an Uptown Houston mobility plan.

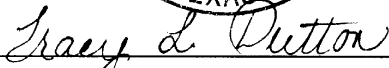
2. THAT the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, hereby urges Uptown Houston to continue to pursue any and all transportation grant requests to outside funding sources to facilitate timely completion of an Uptown Houston mobility plan.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 20th day of August, 2012.



Philip L. Nauert, Mayor
City of Bellaire, Texas

ATTEST:



Tracy L. Dutton, TRMC
City Clerk
City of Bellaire, Texas