1 2 3 4 5 6	MINUTES ROCKWALL CITY COUNCIL October 6, 2003 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas 75087				
7 8 9 10	Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Ken Jones and Councilmembers Tim McCallum, Larry Dobbs, Bob Cotti, Billy Morris, John King and Terry Raulston. Mayor Pro Tem Cotti led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.				
11 12	PROCLAMATIONS				
13	a.	United Way Month			
14 15	Mayor Jones presented the proclamation to Annie Cornelius.				
16 17	b.	Presentation of a proclamation to Kelly Allensworth who was presented the TAAF President's Award.			
18	Mayor Jones	s presented the proclamation to Kelly Allensworth.			
19 20	c.	Presentation of a proclamation to Brad Griggs who was named the in-coming President of TAAF.			
21 22	Mayor Jones	s presented the proclamation to Brad Griggs.			
22 23 24 25	Mayor Jones then presented a proclamation to Bob Wieneke, Rockwall County Chamber of Commerce President declaring October 13 – 18 <sup>th</sup> Chamber of Commerce Week				
26	OPEN FORUM	<u>^</u>			
27 28 29	The following persons came forward to speaking in Open Forum:				
29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43	Gerald Houser, owner of SH 276 Self Storage gave a short status report on his negotiations with the Assistant City Manager, Rick Crowley, regarding the lack of fire hydrants on his property.				
	Pastor Joe Robbins of St. Paul AME Church, 805 Peter Colony, came forward to express his concern about the lack of repairs to the streets and drainage in the area, the speeding along Bourne Avenue, and the issuing of tickets for riding bicycles on the sidewalks.				
	CONSENT AGENDA				
	5a.	Consider approval of an <b>Ordinance</b> amending the Code of Ordinances in Chapter 17 Municipal Court to provide for a municipal court technology fee and take any action necessary. <b>(2nd Reading)</b>			
44 45 46 47	5b.	Consider approval of an <b>Ordinance</b> amending the Code of Ordinances in Chapter 26 Water, Sewers & Sewage Disposal by the additional of Sec. 26-50 Fire Hydrant Meters and take any action necessary. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading)			
48 49 50	5c.	<b>Z2003-007</b> Consider approval of an <b>Ordinance</b> for a request by John Thomas for a zoning change from (SF-7) Single-family Residential and (GR) General Retail to (PD) Planned Development district on a 0.427-acre tract of land			

containing Lots 32E and 32B of the B.F. Boydston Addition, and includes the addresses of 402 N. Fannin St and 302 Williams St. The zoning change request is intended to accommodate an expansion and parking area for the existing Tropical John's landscape nursery and greenhouse establishment. (2nd Reading)

- 5d. Consider approval of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances in Chapter 16 Motor Vehicles by providing for the prima facie speed limit along FM740 and take any action necessary. (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)
- **5e. A2003-001 --** Consider approval of an **Ordinance** for a City initiated request to annex land within the Rainbow Lake Estates Subdivision in addition to property south and west of the Foxchase Subdivision being more fully described below and take any action necessary **(2nd Reading)**:

Being a tract of land situated in the E. Teal Survey, Abstract No. 207, Rockwall County, Texas, including a part of an addition known as Rainbow Lake Estates recorded in Cabinet D, Slide 344; a part of Tract 7, as described in Deed recorded in Volume 184, Page 490, Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas; an 8.099 acre tract of land described in Deed to Steven D, Himmelreich, recorded in Volume 685, Page 122, Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas; a 1.8652 acre tract described in Deed to Whittle Development, recorded in Volume 269, Page 45; and a part of that tract of land conveyed to Thomas W. Jones, et al by Deed recorded in Volume 166, Page 410, Deed Records, Rockwall County, Texas; and being more particularly described by metes and bounds.

- **5f.** Consider approval of a bid award for the Myers Park waterline and take any action necessary.
- **5g.** Consider approval of the abandonment of the Old Quail Run East right-of-way to the abutting landowner and take any action necessary.
- **5h.** Consider approval of an Ordinance repealing Sec. 15-19 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to garage sale permits and take any action necessary.

Councilmember Raulston made a motion to approve all of the items on the Consent
 Agenda and Councilmember Morris seconded the motion. The ordinances were read as
 follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN CHAPTER 17 MUNICIPAL COURT BY THE ADDITION OF SEC. 17-13 MUNICIPAL COURT TECHNOLOGY FEE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A MUNICIPAL COURT TECHNOLOGY FEE; PROVIDING FOR A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500); PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN CHAPTER 26 WATER, SEWERS & SEWAGE DISPOSAL, ARTICLE III RATES AND CHARGES, BY THE ADDITION OF SEC. 26-50 FIRE HYDRANT METERS; PROVIDING FOR A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00); PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, SO AS TO APPROVE A CHANGE IN ZONING FROM "GR", GENERAL RETAIL AND "SF-7", SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, TO "PD", PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 55, FOR A TRACT KNOWN AS LOTS 32E AND 32B, OF THE B.F. BOYDSTON ADDITION; AND CONTAINING 0.427 ACRES OF LAND; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 16 MOTOR VEHICLES, ARTICLE VI OPERATION, DIVISION 7 BY ALTERING THE PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMITS ESTABLISHED FOR VEHICLES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE TRANSPORTION CODE, SECTION 545.356, UPON FM-740, OR PARTS THEREOF, WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR POSTING OF SIGNS; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200); PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 44.8168 ACRES OF LAND, WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE ORDINANCES IN ARTICLE I BY REPEALING SEC. 15-19 PERMIT REQUIRED; PROVIDING A SEVERABLITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

140 The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

#### 142 **APPOINTMENTS**

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**6a.** Appointment with Doris Yanger of the Rockwall Artists League.

Doris Yanger appeared before the Council and thanked them for their support and invited them to the reception for the juried art exhibit that will be held. Mayor Jones stated that he would attend and say a few words. Councilmember Cotti thanked Ms. Yanger and her peers for their hard work and advised the people in the audience that Ms. Yanger designed the maze here at City Hall.

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**6b.** Appointment with Shannon Cox of the Shores Country Club regarding amendment to Exhibit E and take any action necessary.

155 Shannon Cox was not available, so the City Parks and Recreations Director, Brad Griggs, 156 discussed the request. The Club does not wish to overseed the greens with rye this 157 winter and the members of the Club agree. Councilmember Morris asked Griggs if he had a problem with this. Griggs stated that he did not and it was a good practice not to 158 159 overseed. Morris then made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember King seconded the motion. Councilmember Cotti asked if IRI was in compliance. Griggs 160 161 advised that they are – that they have worked hard. Cotti stated that was due in part to 162 Griggs' hard work. Councilmember McCallum asked about the status of the maintenance 163 items. Griggs stated that they had made improvements, but there are little things that 164 could be improved. The Golf Superintendent's office is a mess. When asked if the homeowners adjacent to the greens agreed with the decision not to overseed, Griggs 165

stated that they were not consulted since they do not have a vested interest in the Club.
 Mayor Jones asked if the Council could vote on this request since Mr. Cox was not
 present. City Attorney Pete Eckert advised that they could. The motion passed
 unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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- **6c.** Appointment with Planning and Zoning Chairman to discuss and answer any questions regarding cases on the agenda and related issues and take any necessary action.
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Homer Flores, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission, discussed the two site
 plan items on the agenda. Flores stated that 2003-015 was approved unanimously by the
 Commission. The applicant will be clearing mostly cedar trees from the lots. Then each
 lot will be reviewed individually by Robert LaCroix, Planning Director. Flores stated that
 2003-016 was a request from David Hairston for additional canopies and that this had
 also been unanimously approved by the Commission.

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**6d.** Appointment with North Texas Municipal Water District regarding status report on the Rockwall/Heath wastewater transmission line and take any action necessary.

Julie Couch, City Manager, introduced Randall Dobbs of the North Texas Municipal Water
 District (NTMWD). Mr. Dobbs presented a power-point presentation to the Council to
 update them on the Heath/Rockwall transmission line. Mr. Dobbs asked for \$921,400 in
 additional funds due to the higher cost of obtaining right-of-way for the line.

Councilmember Cotti asked for a clarification on the amount of funds being requested
 and the completion date. R. Dobbs stated that the funds are in addition to the original
 amount of \$233,750 and that the completion date should be March 2005.

- 194 Finance Director, Mary Smith, stated that there would be no increase in our sewer rates 195 until 2006.
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Councilmember Morris asked where this was coming from – that he was surprised by
 this request and asked how it was to be paid. Smith stated that when the debt is issued,
 NTMWD will reimburse the City. We have the funds in the water/sewer fund or through
 the impact fees. Morris asked why the cost is so much higher. R. Dobbs stated that the
 appraised values of the property are higher than originally estimated.

- 203 Councilmember McCallum asked R. Dobbs when they knew about the increase. R. 204 Dobbs stated they knew several months ago. McCallum stated that this was totally 205 unacceptable. Couch advised that Staff had been working with them diligently the last 206 several months. McCallum stated that it was unusual that the Council did not know 207 about it. He stated in the future the Council and NTMWD should have clear 208 communication. If they knew it was not going to come in on budget, they should have at 209 least sent a memo.
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Councilmember Morris made a motion to move ahead and approve the payment of the
 additional funds and suggested very strongly that this kind of surprise not happen again.

Councilmember Cotti asked how soon they would know if Forney was going to participate and its impact. Couch stated that we would know in approximately 30 days. Cotti asked if a decision had to be made today. Couch stated that the bottom line is that we have to have the line. R. Dobbs stated that these funds should be all that is necessary. Cotti then seconded the motion made by Councilmember Morris.

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- 220 Councilmember Dobbs asked if NTMWD used more than one appraiser. R. Dobbs stated 221 that they did not.
- Councilmember Raulston stated that he felt the Council had no choice in approving the
   increase, but he has a hard time accepting a million dollar increase and stated that
   NTMWD need to use the money wisely.
- Mary Smith stated that she does not expect that the expenditure of the funds will have an
  impact on the City in the case of an emergency or catastrophic event since these funds
  will come from the water/sewer funds or from the impact fee fund.
- Mayor Jones stated that he did not like the dramatic increase either and he is sure
  NTMWD doesn't either, but he would support it.
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   234 Councilmember McCallum stated that he has to support the increase for the citizens, but
   235 how it was handled was totally unacceptable.
- The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
- 239 **SITE PLANS** 240

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- **7a. SP2003-015** -- Discuss and consider approval of a request by Eddie Collins of Rockwall Shores, Ltd., for a tree removal permit and treescape plan for a 6.3 (+/-) acre tract located within the Lake Ray Hubbard takeline and immediately adjacent to Lots 19-26, Block B, Hillcrest Shores Phase 3 and take any action necessary.
- 247 Councilmember Dobbs recused himself from hearing or taking action on this item.
- 248 249 Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. The applicant is asking to be 250 allowed to proceed with removal of trees pursuant to the takeline draft guidelines. This 251 is a new subdivision and they are at the point of getting the lots ready for sale. Staff has 252 reviewed the plan and the plan was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. 253 The concern is that even though the Council can approve this, Planning and Zoning 254 wants the applicant to bring individual lots back for approval. Under the tree ordinance 255 anything under 6" can be removed. The applicant will be cleaning and removing the 256 underbrush and small trees.
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  - Mayor Jones stated that he did not know why this is on the agenda since the Council has
     not approved the take line plan.
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- Councilmember Morris stated that the draft guidelines are for a second tree ordinance that has not been approved yet and asked if it would be wise to wait until it is approved. LaCroix stated that he thinks some clean up could occur. Staff is concerned because there is so much in there – the homeowner should determine which trees they want. Morris asked if Dallas had to approve the request. LaCroix stated yes, but that we have to approve it first.
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Councilmember Cotti stated that approval by the Council would be a legal approval and
 that we don't have to have an approved ordinance. City Attorney Eckert agreed that this
 would be a legal action.

- Mayor Jones stated that if we allow this, we are setting a precedent and then what will stop everyone along the takeline from doing the same thing.
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Joey Howell (applicant) stated that it is his understanding that there are no other residential developments like this in the City. Basically, they are only requesting removal of 36 cedar trees.

- Mayor Jones stated that the view corridors they are talking about have not yet been approved. Howell stated that he understood that, but that they came forth in good faith to request the removal and followed the draft guidelines.
- 283 Councilmember McCallum stated there are production builders on both sides of the 284 development and asked Howell what happens if they can't sell the lots. Howell stated 285 that if you have the larger water view lot you are going to have the expensive homes, 286 even if they are not "custom built" homes.
- Mayor Jones asked Eddie Collins (applicant) what happened to all the trees on the site that it looks like they cleared the hillside. Collins stated that all they took out were locust trees, which have thorns, and Bois D'Arc trees. Collins stated that any tree that can be saved by them will be. They spent \$1.6 million for drainage and grading.
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  293 Councilmember Cotti asked if it would be possible to transplant the trees if the City had a
  294 place. Collins stated that the trees are too big they would have to be pulled out with a
  295 crane. If a lot doesn't have a lake view, it doesn't have a high value.
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- Councilmember Raulston asked Collins to clarify the number of trees being removed,
   pursuant to the drawing.
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300 Councilmember McCallum asked Collins to clarify if they are asking to remove 30 trees in 301 addition to the smaller trees. Collins stated that they might not remove some of the 302 smaller trees. McCallum asked if it would be a fair assumption that if they removed all 303 the smaller trees and left the larger trees that they would have a lake view. Collins stated 304 that they would not have a view because the large cedar trees would obstruct the view. Some of the larger cedars are 25 foot in diameter at the bottom and when there are 305 306 several together they block the view. McCallum asked them if they have to remove the 30 307 trees in addition to the smaller trees. Joey Howell stated yes, but that this would be 308 under Staff supervision. That they are willing to work with the City anyway they can. 309 McCallum asked if they only want to remove the cedar trees at this time. Collins stated 310 they believe so at this time. McCallum stated that his concern is with the 30 larger trees. 311 He has gone out and looked at the landscape and he likes the trees and the wild life that 312 lives there. McCallum stated that he is opposed to taking out the larger trees – he cannot 313 support taking out the 30 larger trees.

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- Councilmember Cotti asked whether or not the applicant would be allowed to remove the trees using our current ordinance. LaCroix stated that it is different. If it was on a regular lot we would ask them to replace 75% of the number of the inches removed.
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Mayor Jones stated he wouldn't want them working on his property because he wouldn't
 have any trees left.

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- 322 Councilmember Cotti stated that Council is in a dilemma because the guidelines the 323 applicants used have not been approved. There is probably a lot of wild life and birds in

the area. However, by not approving the removal we are impeding the development of
 the lots. The tree removal plan must be in place.

327 Councilmember Morris stated that this area will be high value/low density and that we
 328 need to move ahead.
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Councilmember King stated that he had also looked at this property and there is something to be said about clearing out small trees and underbrush. King stated that he would prefer to defer this matter. We judge every case on its merit. Let us have our discussion regarding the takeline. In order to be fair to you and the citizens, we need to discuss it.

- Councilmember Cotti offered a motion to table the matter until the October 20, 2003, meeting and Councilmember Morris seconded the motion. Councilmember McCallum stated that the Council will do what they can to support the developer, but need to take the environment into consideration. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 abstain [Dobbs].
- 341 342 7b. **SP2003-016** -- Discuss and consider approval of a request from David Hairston 343 for an amended site plan for the Horizon Car Wash, located on a 1.74-acre 344 commercially-zoned tract on the northeast side of Horizon Rd south of Ridge 345 Road and north of Ralph Hall Pkwy. The amended site plan proposes the 346 addition of canopy shade structures to accommodate increased automobile 347 detailing and to provide a sheltered outdoor waiting area for customers and take 348 any action necessary. 349
- Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. LaCroix stated that the applicant had indicated that he would probably want to add more than the one canopy he was originally requesting. LaCroix stated he advised the applicant to go ahead and request all of the canopies at this time. The canopies must match the existing canopy and will have no signage. LaCroix stated that the applicant was present.
- Councilmember Raulston made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember Morris seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

#### 360 ACTION ITEMS

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- **8a.** Discuss and consider modification to the Subdivision Standards to require provision of essential franchise services prior to closeout of a development and take any action necessary.
- 366 **Councilmember Raulston recused himself from hearing or taking action on this item.**

Councilmember Cotti stated that he had put this item on the agenda for discussion
because he had received complaints regarding the length of time it took to get phone
service in a new development. In some developments there is no phone service and the
citizens have waited up to 90 days for a phone.

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373 Dennis Bailey, the Southwestern Bell representative, advised the council that the Public
374 Utility Commission (PUC) has guidelines they must follow for the service to be complete.
375 Bailey then went on to discuss the process and discussed the most recent quarterly
376 report for the Dallas-Fort Worth area. It showed in that report that only two commitments

were missed. Bailey advised that a phone order cannot be placed until an electric meteris set.

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Councilmember Morris asked what happens if they don't comply with the guidelines. Bailey stated that there are extensive fines for failure to comply. Morris stated that he had not had a lot of luck pushing Southwestern Bell. Morris stated that if he is the 76<sup>th</sup> homebuyer and he knows he is not going to have a phone for 90 days that he would not want to hold up the entire development.

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386 Councilmember Cotti thanked Bailey for the update and stated it sounded like we are not experiencing any major delays. Cotti asked if there was anyway that the Council could 387 388 impress on the company that it is important for a family to have a phone and not have to 389 wait 90 days for it. Bailey stated it was their goal to hit the 95% mark. Their problem is 390 that they have a limited number of resources – manpower and work load. Cotti then 391 questioned whether a letter could be sent to SBC to encourage closer cooperation between the City and SBC given our rapid growth rate. Bailey stated that perhaps the 392 393 City could send some correspondence to him that he could share regarding our 394 concerns in the high growth areas.

- Councilmember Morris stated that he thinks this is the only way we will be able to handle
  this problem. We cannot not close out a development.
- Councilmember Cotti thanked Mr. Bailey for addressing the Council and for being open
   to the correspondence anything that we can get the problem taken care of is great.
   Bailey advised us to let him know if we have a problem. Cotti then asked Julie Couch to
   prepare the correspondence for the Mayor's signature.
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**8b.** Discuss and consider extending the moratorium on property zoned "A," Agricultural District and take any action necessary.

Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. The current moratorium
 expired today and they need more time to prepare the new ordinance, especially with the
 new economic analysis input.

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411 Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve the request based on Staff 412 recommendations and Councilmember Cotti seconded the motion. The motion passed 413 unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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**8c.** Discuss and consider a change in trash pick-up sequences around the City of Rockwall and take any action necessary.

418 Mary Smith, Finance Director, discussed the background of the request. Smith stated 419 that about six months ago she met with Doug Hamilton regarding the problems with the 420 trash pick up sequence. Representatives from Trinity Waste Management are here 421 tonight to discuss the notices regarding the change. Smith showed the Council a map 422 which showed the new areas and the sequence of the pickups. 423

424 Councilmember Morris stated that the recyclables are ok and the trash pick up is already 425 on time. It is a good plan.

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427 Councilmember Raulston stated he had no problem with the plan that Trinity has done a
428 great job.
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Joseph Norlack, District Manager for Trinity, came forward and addressed the Council.
Norlack stated that direct mail is the best notification process. That is followed up by
door hangers and signs in the neighborhood. This gets them about 99% notification.
Norlack stated that they would encourage the Council to act as soon as possible. They
would like for the change to take effect by October 27, 2003.

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Councilmember Cotti stated that the plan and notification process look good. Cotti then
raised a question about bulk trash removal, requesting an examination of alternatives to
help reduce the amount of time bulk trash is on our curbs, through better scheduling.
Norlack stated that he would check on the bulk trash pickup and get back with Staff on it.
Bulk trash generates the most calls and it is a difficult service to provide. Cotti stated
that any ideas Norlack has we would like to hear them.

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443 Councilmember McCallum stated that he thought the maps were great. He is concerned 444 though regarding the environment and the aesthetic affects caused by the various 445 wildlife that are inherent in our city. He stated as an example that he has a huge raccoon 446 in his neighborhood that tears up the bags that are set out the night before. He asked 447 about the possibility of carts. Norlack stated that cart service is something that a lot of 448 cities are looking at. The negative of a cart is that not everything fits in a cart. Every city 449 is different. They will work with Staff. It would take care of the raccoon problem. 450 McCallum stated that we don't want to raise the cost for our citizens, but he would like to 451 see some proposals. 452

453 Councilmember Cotti made a motion to proceed with the re-sequencing at a date to be 454 agreed upon by Mary Smith and Trinity. Councilmember Raulston seconded the motion 455 and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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**8d.** Discuss and consider an Ordinance amending the Sign Code to allow for Temporary Open House Directional signs and take any action necessary.

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Jeffrey Widmer discussed the background of the request and advised the Council that
 Judy Harris and Betty Littlefield were present to answer any questions. The proposed
 ordinance will expire automatically after 180 days, but if necessary the Council can take
 action prior to that date.

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465 Councilmember Cotti thanked Widmer for his hard work in putting this together and
 466 offered a motion to approve the ordinance.
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468 Councilmember King expressed his thanks to Widmer and the realtors who keep coming 469 back and seconded the motion. King asked if there was anyway to determine the 470 success of the signs. Betty Littlefield stated that the realtors get a report that they got a 471 lead or a sale from the open house. Judy Harris stated that open houses are just part of 472 doing business.

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474 Councilmember McCallum thanked the realtors for coming back and stated that he felt 475 the sunset provision is a good idea. McCallum stated that he thought the ordinance 476 should state that the signs "must" contain the company name. City Attorney Eckert 477 stated that since the name is for identification it can be required.

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479 Councilmember Raulston asked Eckert if he thought we were going to have problems 480 with the developers. Eckert stated that if the developer's sign falls within the dictates of 481 the ordinance, they can put out the sign. Eckert stated that it was his understanding that

- Widmer will have Code Enforcement out on Sundays to be sure the signs are taken down
   and fall within the guidelines of the ordinance.
- 485 **Councilmember Morris stated he supported the ordinance.**
- 486487 Mayor Jones stated he appreciated the realtors being so diligent.
- 489 The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
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  491 8e. Discuss and consider the Myers Park Community Building Rehab Project and take any action necessary.
- 494 Robert Hargrove, Director of Internal Operations, discussed the background of the
   495 request.
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- 497 Councilmember Morris asked how this project would be funded. Hargrove stated it
  498 would be paid for out of reserves. Morris asked if this would fix the problems and if it
  499 will be money well spent. Hargrove stated that it will fix the structural problems.
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   501 Councilmember Cotti asked Mary Smith how the money coming out of reserves will
   502 affect us. Smith stated that the amount represented less than a week from the fund.
- 503 504 Councilmember Dobbs asked if this was in the 100 or 500 year flood plain. Hargrove 505 answer that it is in both. Dobbs asked about building out of the flood plain. Chuck Todd, 506 City Engineer, stated that this area is more of a backflow effect. There is no rushing 507 water through the building. The damage to the building has come from the parking lot 508 and from the lack of gutters.
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- 510 Councilmember King asked Hargrove if he felt comfortable that we won't be exceeding 511 the amount shown. Hargrove stated yes and that hopefully the amount will come down. 512 King asked if the square footage only included the building and was told yes. King then 513 made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember Morris seconded the motion.
- 514 515 Councilmember McCallum stated that this is remodel. Our community deserves the 516 remodel. We have people who need the building including many non-profit groups and 517 he is absolutely in favor. He has never seen Hargrove come back with bids that are 518 higher and he trusts him.
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  520 Councilmember Raulston stated that he agreed with McCallum. This will bring the
  521 building up to date with Myers Park and will be money well spent.
- 522 523 Mayor Jones stated that was going to support this. The motion passed by a vote of 6 524 ayes and 1 nay [Dobbs].
- 526 **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT TO DISCUSS CURRENT CITY ACTIVITIES, UPCOMING MEETINGS,** 527 **FUTURE LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.**
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- a. Departmental Reports
- 530 **b.** City Manager's Report

531 Julie Couch, City Manager, reminded the Council of the worksession scheduled for 532 tomorrow night (October 7<sup>th</sup>). The first item will be an update by Elizabeth Morris on the 533 economic analysis model she is preparing. Couch told the Council that the Council will

- need to review the assumptions history for the models. The second issue to be
   discussed is the takeline. Couch advised the Council that Dallas had recently approved
   Rowlett's plan.
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- 538 Couch told the Council that we are fully staffed in our sworn officer positions. We have 539 one dispatcher position open.
- 541 Couch advised the Council that the November worksession will include various 542 scenarios on the economic analysis model.
- 543 544 Councilmember McCallum congratulated Police Chief Moeller and validated that the 545 takeline issue was scheduled to be second on the worksession agenda. Couch stated 546 yes because Elizabeth Morris would be here to go over the economic analysis model. 547 McCallum stated that the Departmental Reports were good. McCallum told Brad Griggs, 548 Park and Recreation Director, that he noticed that The Center was not meeting its 549 objectives and wanted to know what needs to be done to help The Center meet those 550 objections.
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- 552 **Mayor Jones stated that we are ready to build 7-11 Park.** 553
- 554 Councilmember Cotti stated that the departments had put together some good reports 555 and that the departments need to be aware that the Council does read them. The HR 556 Report was the first he has seen at this level of detail and was glad to see it. 557
- 558 Julie Couch advised the Council that the Fire Department had started their clown fire 559 program and Fire Chief Mark Poindexter had been told it was the best program in 14 560 years. Poindexter stated that the Fire Department Open House held October 4, 2003, was 561 a great success with approximately 500-600 people attending.
- 563 There being no further business to come before the Council in regular session, Mayor 564 Jones adjourned the meeting into Executive Session at 9:11 p.m. 565
- 566 No action was taken as a result of Executive Session. There being no further business to 567 come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.
- 569 570 571 Ken Jones, Mayor 572 ATTEST: 573 574
  - 575 **Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary**

1	MINUTES					
2	ROCKWALL CITY COUNCIL					
3	October 7, 2003					
4	6:00 p.m. Worksession					
5	City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas					
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8 9 10 11	Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Ken Jones and Councilmembers Tim McCallum, Larry Dobbs, Bob Cotti, Billy Morris, John King and Terry Raulston.					
12 13	DISCUSS ECONOMIC PLANNING ANALYSIS PLAN RELATED TO LAND USE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.					
14 15 16 17 18 19	Julie Couch, City Manager, stated that Elizabeth Morris had been hired to develop an economic analysis tool for the undeveloped areas of our community and stated that Ms. Morris would be giving a power-point presentation regarding her "Development Simulation Modeling" program.					
20 21 22 23	After the presentation, Councilmember Cotti asked if the figures reflected this year's dollars and asked if she could project 10-year dollars. Morris stated that she uses the "constant dollar" factor and then, if necessary, they can go in and make changes.					
23 24 25	Mayor Jones stated that the figures are so realistic that they are frightening					
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	Councilmember McCallum stated he had some concern with the percentages. The median income is \$64,000 and the median home price is \$150,000 and asked if she could check on those figures. Ms. Morris stated that she could use the census data. McCallum stated that he would like to see those figures because we don't want large empty houses. Ms. Morris stated that information was easy to obtain and that she would provide it. Ms. Morris asked if the price on the zero lot homes was too low. Councilmember Dobbs stated yes, that it is probably \$150,000. Ms. Morris will bring the 10-year forecast to the next meeting and will also give sales tax potential.					
35 36 37 38	Councilmember Morris stated that he thinks this is a great tool. This will point out the errors in past zoning. Morris stated he was glad we spent the money for this and was looking forward to Ms. Morris' next report.					
39 40 41 42	Julie Couch advised the Council that the next worksession would be held on November 10, 2003. Couch stated that we want this to be a credible model for all of us and to let her know how they want to use the model. This is only the beginning.					
42 43 44	Councilmember Morris stated that we need to review our minimum requirements.					
45 46 47	Rick Crowley, Assistant City Manager, asked the Council if they would like a City map so that they could draw what they want in and then Ms. Morris could run the models.					
48 49	Councilmember McCallum stated that he would like to see a model run with sales tax revenue if everything remained constant. McCallum stated that people with different					

- income brackets spend money in different ways and he would like to see how that affects
   development.
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### **DISCUSS TAKE LINE PROGRAM AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

- 55 Julie Couch discussed the background of this item with regard to the areas of agreement 56 and the areas that the Council needs to work through.
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- 58 Mayor Jones stated that we should adopt the existing tree ordinance for the takeline and 59 that there should be no swimming pools or gazebos.
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- 61 Councilmember Cotti agreed that there should be no swimming pools and no trees 62 should be removed if not allowed by our current tree ordinance, but does want to 63 discuss the other items in the proposal.
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- Couch advised the Council that Dallas had denied allowing swimming pools in the
   takeline and had a moratorium on the building of docks and piers.
- 68 Councilmember Morris asked about lake access easements. Couch advised that we will 69 have to work with the owners. The lake access easements are not public access 70 easements. Crowley stated that many of the easements will deal with drainage.
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- Councilmember McCallum stated that we will have ongoing costs related to the takeline.
  Couch stated that the biggest effort during the first couple of years will be education.
  Crowley stated that it will become more of a contract control.
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- Councilmember Morris stated that this is going to create a larger problem and there are
   already code enforcement issues.
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- 79 Councilmember Raulston stated that if there are trees in the takeline view corridor area 80 they can remain, but you can't plant new trees.
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- Councilmember McCallum stated that we want our tree ordinance to stand. Brad Griggs, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that under our current ordinance if it trees are on an owners lot, they can remove them. Griggs advised that our ordinance deals mainly with development. McCallum stated that a developer can't sublease the takeline. Griggs stated that the leases will show the view corridors.
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- Julie Couch advised the Council that the materials they had before them were prepared
   by the Subcommittee. Councilmember Cotti stated that the materials were prepared after
   the meetings with the homeowners.
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- 92 Councilmember McCallum stated that he had voted no previously for totally different 93 reasons than Councilmember Morris. McCallum stated that if they could not get through 94 the document that they have a problem. McCallum stated that he disagreed with Dobbs 95 and Morris. We should allow the homeowners to build on the takeline because the value 96 of their land will increase. We need to give them very conservative but full access to the 97 takeline.
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- 99 Couch read through the Subcommittee Recommendations and asked for Council 100 agreement/input on each section. Couch advised the Council that the cost for the survey

101 would be approximately \$115,000-\$120,000. We need the survey in order to allocate the 102 property and the City will pay the fees upfront and recoup them when the property is 103 subleased. The initial sublease fees will include the cost of surveying, filing fees, legal 104 fees and other direct costs. Annual lease fees will cover the cost of general lease 105 administration, code enforcement, renewal costs, etc. The Council agreed to the 106 Subleases Revenue and Easement recommendations and the View Preservation 107 Corridor. The Council then discussed the recommendations for Permitted Uses.

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109 Councilmember Raulston stated that 35% of the citizens who completed the recent 110 survey viewed the lake as a major asset, he likes it because of its appeal and how it 111 looks. He has been consistent in how he votes, but does fluctuate at times. Raulston 112 stated that they needed to decide whether they want to sublease before they go through 113 the list.

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115 Councilmember Morris stated that he would not support any of the uses. We need to 116 keep the land in its natural state – will agree to sublease with landscaping only. Morris 117 stated that so far they had only been speaking to the rights of the homeowners, not the 118 majority of the citizens. Enforcement will be a nightmare. The assumption that a nice 119 neighborhood won't be a problem is wrong. The lots are already large enough for these 120 uses. Don't clutter the view for all of the citizens. Set a precedent – don't be like 121 Rowlett. Morris stated he would not vote for any of the uses.

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Councilmember Raulston asked if the Council wanted to sublease with landscaping only
 and the sea wall.

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126 Councilmember Cotti told Morris that he had been consistent on this. Cotti stated he 127 agreed that the number one concern was privacy, but the homeowners also had other 128 concerns. View is important to all of us. Cotti stated that he does not believe this will 129 obstruct the view. The Council has been down this path and it had been previously approved – until the last meeting. If the Council is only going to sublease, he has a great 130 131 concern about it. We are going back on things that were agreed to a year ago. He does not think they should waste any more time. We need to decide whether we are going to 132 133 move forward and then do so.

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135 Mayor Jones asked if they should vote. Couch stated yes they should vote on 136 subleasing and go on from there.

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138 Councilmember Dobbs stated that he is going to reverse his previous decision. The 139 shoreline is very important. He cannot trust the takeline being given to people to take 140 care of what makes Rockwall so unique. He has gone to a lot of other lakes that are built 141 out and does not want Rockwall to look like them. We are on the deep water side and we 142 need to preserve it.

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144 Councilmember Morris asked if the public hearings were only for the property owners. 145 Brad Griggs advised that the first meeting was for all the residents. Then they had 146 separate public hearings for the homeowners. Morris stated that it appeared to him that 147 the emphasis was notice to the people on the lake. Couch advised that the City has 148 worked on this for 10 years. We have done surveys and held public hearings. Everyone 149 got the notice of the first public hearing. The next meetings were with people who lived 150 along the lake. There were 5 public hearings. Morris stated that the documents go the 151 great lengths to protect the rights of the homeowners not the community in general. He 152 does not want us to jeopardize the only asset we have and clutter. He cannot support it.

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154 **Councilmember Cotti clarified that after the Council had agreed to move forward with the** 155 **Sublease Program, the focus of the Subcommittee shifted to the homeowners along the** 156 **takeline and, thus, the documentation before the Council tonight reflects that focus.** 

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158 Councilmember King stated that they need to look at the overall big picture. There are 159 people who want to leave Rockwall the way it was 20-30 years ago, but progress must 160 happen. Erosion control is necessary. The lakeshore is changing. The issues are 161 erosion control and privacy. We need to come up with a defined use. We don't want to 162 see another Rowlett or Tawakoni. King stated he supported the use of the takeline and 163 that the Council needs to offer incentives over which control is maintained.

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165 Councilmember McCallum stated that we are asking for erosion control and 166 responsibility. We need to give them an incentive for the 20,000-30,000 they will pay for 167 the erosion control. He voted against it initially because it was too limiting. He is open 168 to compromise so long as it is in the best interest of the citizens.

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Mayor Jones stated that he agreed with Councilmembers King, Cotti and McCallum.
 Jones stated he will be happy to see the sea walls.

- 173 Councilmember Dobbs stated that sea walls highly enhance the property and are 174 appraised the same as swimming pool, so the owners will be receiving some value.
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Councilmember Raulston asked for a show of hands of who were in favor of subleasing
 the property with the permitted uses. The vote was 5 ayes [McCallum, Cotti, King, Jones,
 and Raulston] and 2 nays [Morris and Dobbs].

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180 Next the Council discussed subleasing with conditional uses. Councilmember McCallum 181 stated that fences should be limited for privacy/safety issues; sport courts could be 182 allowed with conservative restrictions; and boat slips should be temporary and 183 integrated into the sea wall. He stated he was in favor of the tie ups because the Council 184 had approved them for The Harbors project.

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186 Councilmember Cotti stated that the fences should be 4 foot high and standardized and 187 surround play structures only. McCallum stated he was ok with this. Cotti stated that 188 boat slips or tie ups could only be along the sea wall. McCallum advised that if a boat 189 ties up sideways along the sea wall it must be two feet from the wall. Cotti stated that as 190 far as the gazebos go, that Planning and Zoning can set the parameters for Council 191 approval. Cotti stated he could support these items.

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- 193 Mayor Jones stated that he could support a tie up along the sea wall but no slip.
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195 **Councilmember Dobbs stated that The Harbors is a commercial project and does not** 196 **believe tie ups are a good idea. He feels they will devalue the property.** 

197 198 Councilmember Raulston stated that this opens the door too wide with CUP's. We have

- 199 had problems with CUP's before and he would not support any CUP.
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- Councilmember McCallum asked what the difference was between that and the huge garages that have been approved for RV's. Raulston stated that the RV's are stored out of view of the lake and does not see how it compares. McCallum asked about them obstructing the view of a golf course. Raulston stated that CUP's come back to bite us.
- Mayor Jones asked if we could limit the gazebo to 15 feet in height. Brad Griggs advised that they could do anything they wanted to. Mayor Jones stated that he could not approve a 22 foot gazebo. Councilmembers King and McCallum agreed.
- 210 The following votes for CUP items were taken:
- 212 Gazebos at a maximum height of 15 feet passed by a vote of 3 nays [Dobbs, Raulston 213 and Morris] and 4 ayes [McCallum, Cotti, Jones and King].
- Deck or patio typically flat work at a maximum 12" above ground steps to the takeline
   may also be necessary -- passed by a vote of 3 nays [Dobbs, Raulston and Morris] and 4
   ayes [McCallum, Cotti, Jones and King].
- Sport Courts: The nets may not be parallel with the lake and the net and poles must be
   lower than 6 feet in height passed by a vote of 3 nays [Dobbs, Raulston and Morris] and
   4 ayes [McCallum, Cotti, Jones and King].
- Boat Tie Ups: Councilmember King asked about enforcement. Julie Couch stated that
   she does not want Staff involved in regulating how long a tie up remains. The amount of
   protection afforded the boat will dictate how long it will remain.
- Councilmember McCallum stated that Dallas allows 72 hours. This is an abbreviated slip,
   it is just a way to tie up the boat it would not protect the boat.
- 230 Councilmember King stated that you see used tires and does not see how we can 231 regulate it. This is his main concern.
- 233 Mayor Jones stated all he wanted was a temporary tie up no tires, no padding, etc.
- Brad Griggs stated that allowing the cleats in the sea wall would be ok and that the
  ordinance could control this.
- Councilmember McCallum stated that we won't allow anything but the cleats. The protection would be on the boat. The tie up would be part of the sea wall. It is the responsibility of the boat owner to protect his boat.
- 242 Mayor Jones asked Councilmember King if we only allowed tie ups if he would agree.
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- Cleats only on the sea wall passed by a vote of 3 nays [Dobbs, Raulston and Morris] and
   4 ayes [McCallum, Cotti, Jones and King].
- McCallum stated that we need to send a clear message that the sea wall is not for recreation items.
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#### 250 Tree Preservation Recommendation

Councilmember Raulston stated we should use our existing tree ordinance. We don't
 need two ordinances. Councilmember Cotti stated that we need to go back and apply the
 Tree Preservation Ordinance to the takeline. They need a tree plan – we can't just let
 them cut the trees down. Mayor Jones stated we have a tree ordinance now and we don't
 need a separate one for the takeline. Councilmember McCallum stated that he agreed.

Julie Couch stated that we will need to amend our current ordinance to apply to the takeline. Owners will have to go to Planning and Zoning, but we will not require mitigation. Councilmember Cotti stated we need to protect the trees. Councilmember Raulston stated that he could support this. The item passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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The Council approved the three types of erosion control as recommended by a vote of 7
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Julie Couch advised the Council that there will be fencing provided by the City in four
 areas for public access areas and the Council stated they were ok with this.

Councilmember McCallum asked Couch when the Council would vote on this. Couch stated that it will be put in final form and will be on the agenda for the next meeting (October 20, 2003). We will then prepare the necessary ordinances and have a joint meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission before it goes into effect.

277 Mayor Jones stated that he appreciated everyone cooperating.

Councilmember Cotti thanked the citizens who came to listen and Brad and the Council.
 Cotti stated that this was a difficult decision to make and he appreciated everyone being
 respectful.

283 The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

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	ATTEST:	
	Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary	
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1 2 3 4 5 6	MINUTES ROCKWALL CITY COUNCIL October 20, 2003 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting City Hall, 385 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas 75087				
7 8 9 10 11	Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Ken Jones and Councilmembers Tim McCallum, Larry Dobbs, Bob Cotti, Billy Morris, John King and Terry Raulston. Councilmember McCallum led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. PROCLAMATIONS				
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14	3a.	Domestic Violence Awareness Month			
15 16	Mayor Jones	presented the proclamation to Mary Sue Foster.			
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18 19 20	4a.	Consider approval of the Minutes of the September 15, 2003 City Council Meeting and take any action necessary.			
21 22 23	4b.	Consider approval of the Minutes of the September 18, 2003 City Council/Staff Retreat and take any action necessary.			
24 25 26	4c.	Consider approval of the Minutes of the October 6, 2003 City Council Meeting and take any action necessary.			
27 28 29	4d.	Consider approval of the Minutes of the October 7, 2003 City Council Worksession and take any action necessary.			
30 31 32	4e.	Consider approval of the Minutes of the July 11, 2003 Special City Council meeting and take any action necessary.			
33 34 35 36	4f.	Consider approval of an Ordinance repealing Sec. 15-19 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to garage sale permits and take any action necessary. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading)			
37 38 39 40	4g.	Discuss and consider an Ordinance amending the Sign Code to allow for Temporary Open House Directional signs and take any action necessary. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading)			
41 42 43 44 45 46	4h.	P2003-020 Discuss and consider a request from Steve Meier with Mays & Company for a replat of a single, 2.53-acre tract zoned Planned Development No. 5 (PD-5) with underlying General Retail located on the east side of SH 205 north of the intersection of realigned Quail Run Road known as Quail Run Retail Addition; Lot 1, Block B and take any action necessary.			

47 48 4i. P2003-021 -- Discuss and consider a request by Jack Evans of Pacheco 49 Koch Consulting Engineers for approval of a replat of Lot 9R, Block A, Horizon Ridge Addition, being a 2.586-acre tract zoned (PD-9) Planned 50 51 Development No. 9 and situated south of Arista Road and west of Ralph 52 Hall Parkway and take any action necessary 53 54 4j. P2003-022 -- Discuss and consider a request by Robert Schneeberg for 55 a commercial replat of Lot 3, Block B, Rockwall High School Addition, 56 being a 1.1988-acre tract zoned (C) Commercial and located on the southwest corner of Yellowjacket Lane and Greencrest Blvd. 57 The 58 proposed replat is Lot 3R, Block B, The Woods at Rockwall Addition No. 59 1, and will accommodate development of the "Rockwall Surgery Center" 60 and take any action necessary. 61 62 Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda and Councilmember Cotti seconded the motion. The ordinances were read as follows: 63 64 65 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, 66 AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE ORDINANCES IN ARTICLE I BY REPEALING 67 SEC. 15-19 PERMIT REQUIRED; PROVIDING A SEVERABLITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING 68 A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. 69 70 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, 71 AMENDING THE SIGN CODE TO PROVIDE FOR TEMPORARY REALTOR OPEN 72 73 HOUSE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS: PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS; PROVIDING A SUNSET PROVISION; PROVIDING A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE 74 75 HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) AND THAT EACH DAY IN VIOLATION SHALL CONSTITUTE A SEPARATE OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; 76 **PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** 77 78 The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays. 79 80 81 **APPOINTMENTS** 82 83 5a. Appointment with the Planning and Zoning Chairman to discuss and 84 answer any questions regarding cases on the agenda and related issues 85 and take any necessary action. 86 87 Connie Jackson of the Planning and Zoning Commission appeared before the Council to 88 discuss the planning and zoning items on tonight's agenda. Jackson discussed each 89 item separately and stated that each of them had been approved 100% by the 90 Commission. 91 92 93 Appointment with Peg Pannell-Smith to give report on the Blue Pegasus 5b. 94 Foundation "Cruise 'n' Blues" Festival. 95 96 Peg Pannell-Smith appeared before the Council to report on the "Cruise 'n' Blues" 97 Festival. Smith advised that they raised \$22,779, spent \$13,849 on advertising, leaving a 98 balance of \$7,401. Smith stated that they are currently working on the 2004 calendar and

99 thanked the Council for their support and the grant. Smith presented pictures to the 100 Councilmembers who participated in the "cruise." Mayor Jones expressed thanks to Peg 101 and Glen for their hard work and stated that this is what our hotel/motel funds are for. 102 103 104 **PUBLIC HEARING** 105 106 Hold a public hearing regarding the issuance of \$1,662,500 Milford Higher 6a. Education Facilities Corporation Education Revenue Bonds (Heritage 107 108 Christian Academy Project), Series 2003 and take any action necessary. 109 6b. Consider approval of a *Resolution* approving the issuance of the \$1,662,500 Milford Higher Education Facilities Corporation Education 110 111 Revenue Bonds (Heritage Christian Academy Project), Series 2003 and 112 take any action necessary. 113 114 Mary Smith discussed the background of the request and advised the Council that the 115 City is in no way obligated on the debt. 116 117 Mayor Jones opened the public hearing and the following persons appeared before the 118 Council: 119 120 Kurt Kinser, 4704 Greenbriar Circle, Rockwall, Texas, asked for approval by the Council 121 on this request. Kinser stated that this is a State approved process for private schools 122 and he was grateful to the Council for their consideration. 123 124 There being no one further to appear before the Council, Mayor Jones closed the public 125 hearing. 126 127 Councilmember Raulston made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember 128 Cotti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 129 nays. 130 131 132 6c. Z2003-003 -- Hold a public hearing and consider a request by Annette Lall of HIS Covenant Children for an amendment to the City of Rockwall 133 134 Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 83-23), Section 2.20, 135 Historic Overlay District, specifically to designate the property located at 136 303 E. Rusk (Griffith Addition, Lot A, Block 2) as a landmark property and 137 take any action necessary. 138 139 140 141 Robert LaCroix, Director of Planning, discussed the background of the request. LaCroix stated that the applicant as asked that this building be designated as a landmark. 142 143 LaCroix stated it would be a positive step for this building and that the building is part of 144 the Historical District. 145 146 Councilmember Dobbs asked if the building was a State historical landmark and LaCroix 147 stated it was not.

149 Councilmember Cotti asked if the church and the buildings at 305 Fannin were included 150 and LaCroix stated they were.

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152 Mayor Jones opened the public hearing and the following persons came forward to 153 address the Council:

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Annette Lall, the applicant, came forward and stated that she feels the building holds a
 lot of historical value in Rockwall. Lall stated that they have contacted a Historical
 Architect and will be inquiring about becoming a State historical landmark.

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159There being no one further to address the Council, Mayor Jones closed the public160hearing.

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162 Councilmember McCallum asked what they were going to do with the building. Lall 163 advised that they were going to use the building as a wedding chapel. Councilmember 164 McCallum then made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember Raulston 165 seconded the motion and stated that this was great for Rockwall. The ordinance was 166 read as follows: 167

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 83-23) OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, BY THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2.20 HISTORIC DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR GENERAL PROVISIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR A LANDMARK PROPERTY KNOWN AS GRIFFITH ADDITION, LOT A, BLOCK 2; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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#### The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 180 6d. Z2003-010 - Hold a public hearing and consider a city initiated 181 amendment to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance (83-23) Article II, Section 2.25, SH 205 Corridor Overlay District, specifically to amend 182 Section 2.25B "Application and Boundaries" to add those tracts of land 183 184 within 200 feet of the future right-of-way of SH 205 (North Goliad) from Heath Street north to the northern city limits (approximately 4,200-ft north 185 186 of FM 552), and to add standards relative to Sign Standards (new 187 subsection 2.25F) and Lighting Standards (new subsection 2.25G) and 188 take any action necessary.
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190 Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. This portion of the overlay 191 runs north from Heath Street to the City limits line. The portion from Heath Street south 192 to the city limits line was approved last year. This only pertains to commercial property, 193 it does not affect residential property. There was some confusion in this regard at the 194 Planning and Zoning Commission hearing. 195

196 Councilmember Dobbs asked if this affects the signs at Quail Run. LaCroix stated that it 197 would and that Eckerds had agreed to the requirements. LaCroix stated that the 198 Albertsons preliminary plat will expire in May and signage for it would be addressed 199 later.

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing but no one appeared so the public hearing was closed.

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204 Councilmember Cotti made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember 205 Raulston seconded the motion. The ordinance was read as follows:

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING SECTION 2.25 SH-205 CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR A PURPOSE STATEMENT; PROVIDING FOR APPLICATION AND BOUNDARIES; PROVIDING FOR ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR SITE DESIGN STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR SIGN STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR LIGHTING STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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#### The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

2196e.Z2003-011 – Hold a public hearing and consider a request by Chong Park220for a conditional use permit to allow for a private club as an accessory221use to the proposed Edohana Hibachi & Sushi Restaurant located within222the Shafer Plaza development under construction on Lot 13B1, Block A,223Rockwall Towne Center, which is zoned (C) Commercial and located at224714 I-30 and take any action necessary.

Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. This is a request for a conditional use permit to allow for a private club as an accessory use to the Edohana Hibachi & Sushi Restaurant. The 4,999 sf restaurant is proposed within the new Shafer Plaza building located on the north side of I-30, between the existing Grandy's and Schlotzsky's restaurants. The floor plan shows approximately 131 seats, which meets the minimum 100-seat requirement for private clubs in Rockwall. The development must adhere to all other requirements in the City's private club ordinance.

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234 Mayor Jones opened the public hearing and the following persons came forward to 235 address the Council:

Chong Park, applicant, appeared and requested approval. Councilmembers Raulston
 and Dobbs both stated that they are looking forward to the opening of the restaurant.

Chamber President Bob Wieneke came forward and stated that anything that we can do
 to help our business community, we should.

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There being no one further to address the Council, Mayor Jones closed the public hearing.

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Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember King
 seconded the motion. The ordinance was read as follows:

- 248 249 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL. TEXAS. 250 AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF 251 ROCKWALL, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, SO AS TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE 252 PERMIT FOR A PRIVATE CLUB AS AN ACCESSORY TO A RESTAURANT TO BE 253 LOCATED ON LOT 13RB, BLOCK A, ROCKWALL TOWNE CENTRE ADDITION, AND 254 FURTHER DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO 255 EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; 256 AND A SEPARATE OFFENSE SHALL BE DEEMED COMMITED ON EACH DAY 257 DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY 258 CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE 259 DATE.
- The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
- 2636f.Z2003-012 Hold a public hearing and consider a request by Andrew264Qualls for approval of a conditional use permit for a proposed office265building exceeding the maximum height requirement of 36-ft on Lot 9R-1,266Block A, Horizon Ridge Addition, being a 1.718-acre tract zoned (PD-9)267Planned Development No. 9 and situated south of Arista Road and west268of Ralph Hall Parkway and take any action necessary.

270 Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. The applicant is requesting a 271 conditional use permit (CUP) to allow for an office building with an overall height of 272 approximately 44 ft. The site is zoned PD-9 and designated for General Retail uses, which allows for a height up to 60 ft, however, a conditional use permit is required for 273 274 buildings over 36 ft tall. The applicant is proposing a height of 44 ft for a portion of the 275 building, but the building footprint is not changing. Staff recommends approval with the 276 following conditions: (1) approval of replat and site plan; and (2) adherence to all fire 277 department requirements (39 ft inside radii for firelanes, etc.) for buildings over 36 ft in 278 height.

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Councilmember Raulston stated that buildings with three stories had been turned down
 before, however, with this building remaining with two levels of open space he would
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Councilmember Dobbs asked what the square footage of the building would be. LaCroix
 stated approximately 19,800 sf.

- 287 Mayor Jones opened the public hearing and the following persons came forward to 288 address the Council:
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Andy Qualls, the applicant, came forward to request approval. Qualls stated that the higher roof was only an architectural feature. Councilmember Dobbs asked if the building was preleased. Qualls stated the entire 2<sup>nd</sup> floor was spoken for.

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- There being no one further to address the Council, Mayor Jones closed the public hearing.
- 297 Councilmember Morris made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember 298 Dobbs seconded the request. The ordinance was read as follows:
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, SO AS TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A STRUCTURE EXCEEDING THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT REQUIREMENT OF 36 FEET WITHIN PLANNED DEVELOPMENT NO. 9 (PD-9) ON A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

310 The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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## 313 SITE PLANS / PLATS

315**7a.**SP2003-012 – Discuss and consider a request by Andrew Qualls for<br/>approval of a site plan (including building elevations and landscape plan)<br/>for Horizon Ridge Addition, Lot 9R, Block A, being a single, 1.718-acre<br/>tract zoned (PD-9) Planned Development No. 9 and situated south of<br/>Arista Road and west of Ralph Hall Parkway and take any action<br/>necessary.

Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. The proposed development is a two-story 19,800 sf office building on 1.718 acres. The applicant has proposed 76 parking spaces, including 4 handicap-accessible, which exceeds the required 66 spaces. The surplus of parking could accommodate up to 3,000 sf of medical office within the proposed structure. Because of the height of the building, the applicant has been required to provide inside turning radii of at least 39 ft for the fire lanes. Applicant will be planting trees.

Councilmember Raulston made a motion to approve the request and Councilmember
 Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0
 nays.

- 7b. SP2003-013 Discuss and consider a request from Steve Meier with Mays & Company for a site (including building elevations) and landscape plans for an Eckerd Pharmacy facility on a single, 2.53-acre tract zoned Planned Development No. 5 (PD-5) with underlying General Retail located on the east side of SH 205 north of the intersection of realigned Quail Run Road known as Quail Run Retail Addition; Lot 1, Block B and take any action necessary.
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Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. Applicant had come before the
 Council previously during the moratorium and had agreed to abide by the corridor
 overlay and they are doing that now. Applicant will be putting in a stone skirt and
 archway and they have exceeded the required landscaping. They will have to mitigate for
 56 trees.

Councilmember McCallum asked what percentage of stone is required. LaCroix stated that maybe 10% is required. On SH-66 20% is required. McCallum stated that we had the moratorium in place so we could have what we wanted. LaCroix stated that in this overlay there is no requirement for stone. Architectural Review was not required – Planning and Zoning made the request for the stone. McCallum asked the Council if we
 want to require 20% stone on the SH-205 Overlay Corridor.

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355 Councilmember Cotti stated that the SH-66 Overlay required stone because of its close 356 proximity to downtown. Cotti stated he did not feel uncomfortable with the request as it 357 stands and offered a motion to approve the request.

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 359 Councilmember Raulston stated that he agreed with Councilmember McCallum and is
 360 concerned that we are piece-mealing the requirements and that we need to have
 361 consistency.
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Councilmember Morris stated that he had no concerns and that he feels Planning and Zoning is doing a good job. Morris stated that making decisions on a case-by-case situation is best and then seconded Councilmember Cotti's motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay [Raulston].

3687c.SP2003-014 – Discuss and consider a request by Robert Schneeberg369of Gonzalez & Schneeberg Engineers and Surveyors for a site plan370(including building elevations, landscape and treescape plan) for a3718,400-sf surgery center located on the proposed Lot 3R, Block B,372The Woods at Rockwall No. 1 Addition, zoned (C) Commercial and373situated on the southwest corner of Yellowjacket Lane and374Greencrest Blvd. and take any action necessary.

376 Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. The site plan is for an 8,400 sf 377 outpatient surgery center. LaCroix stated that a surgery center is different from a 378 medical office and they reduced the parking requirement because of that and hardwood 379 trees that they want to save. LaCroix stated that they will be putting trees back in and 380 saving as many as possible and a mitigation plan is necessary. The Planning and Zoning Commission felt that the roof should be lowered to bring it into better proportion with the 381 382 height of the walls, but the applicant advised that because of the mechanical equipment 383 required for a this type of facility the roof needed to be the height shown in order to 384 shield the equipment. A model was presented during the Planning and Zoning 385 Commission session which better presented the scale and massing of the structure and the Commission elected to approve the elevations as submitted. The roof color will be a 386 387 dark green. It is also recommend that the window trimmings not be painted the color of 388 the roof.

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Councilmember McCallum asked how many hardwood were on the plat. LaCroix stated that most of the trees are located within the proposed building footprint or parking area which leads to the high number of inches required for mitigation. However, most of the hardwoods are more to the back of the property and they will try to save as many trees as possible. Planning and Zoning tried several lay outs for the building and this was the best way to situate it.

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Councilmember King stated that he concurred with Councilmember McCallum's
 comments on the trees. King asked about water run off with the amount of dirt that was
 going to be moved. Chuck Todd, City Engineer, advised that there will be surface
 detention on the west side of the lot.

402 Councilmember Cotti made a motion to approve the request with Staff and Planning and 403 Zoning Commission recommendations and Robert's recommendation that the trim not 404 be painted the same color as the roof.

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406 Mayor Jones stated that we are becoming like Tyler with a high doctor ratio.

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#### 411 412 ACTION ITEMS

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8a. Discuss and consider annexation of land east and adjacent to FM-3097, bounded by County Road to the north, Wallace Lane to the east and Hubbard Road to the south, in addition to property west of SH-205, south of Mims Road and take any action necessary.

418 Robert LaCroix discussed the background of this item. Area 1 has 52 lots/tracts with a 419 total current market value of \$9,128,310 and Area 2 has 1 tract with a current market 420 value of \$1,931.550. Other than general assistance similar to that provided to other sections of the City, the only significant impact to the Planning and Zoning Department 421 422 would be the development, adoption and enforcement of a zoning district for the area to 423 be annexed. There are several single family improvements in Area 1 as well as some 424 non-residential uses developed along FM-3097. There are also two substantial vacant 425 tracts of land (123 acres and 131 acres). Area 2 contains 23.202 acres and is currently 426 occupied by the J&S Expo Center. Development of a zoning district and documentation 427 of all nonconforming uses will take time. Area 2, which contains the J&S Expo Center, presents some issues with fire and life safety codes. Should the Council approve 428 429 annexation of this area, the following issues will need to be addressed: (1) fire lanes at a 430 minimum of 24' width with 3600 psi concrete are required; (2) fire hydrants at 150 foot 431 hose reach to the building is required; (3) life safety code requirements for the building; 432 (4) egress, number of exits, hardware; (5) emergency lighting, signs; and (6) possible 433 sprinkler system, fire alarm requirements. A schedule for annexation will be prepared 434 pursuant to State law.

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436 Councilmember Raulston stated that this is a good move and made a motion to approve 437 the annexation.

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439 Mayor Jones stated that Area 2 is owned by a non-profit and asked what the benefit was 440 to the City or the non-profit. LaCroix stated that the property is still listed as J&S Expo 441 Center. LaCroix stated he does know if Heritage Christian Academy owns it or not.

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443 Councilmember Dobbs asked why we did not include FM-3097 to Wallace. Why not 444 annex the south side of FM-549 in order to protect that corridor.

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446 Councilmember Cotti asked Councilmember Raulston if he wanted to amend his motion, given the information discussed. Julie Couch, City Manager, advised that the only step 447 tonight is to initiate the process and that they could include the south side of FM-549. 448 449 Councilmember Raulston amended his motion to include the south side of FM-549 and Councilmember Cotti seconded the motion. Cotti then asked about the fire issues. Fire 450 451 Chief Mark Poindexter stated that there are no fire hydrants along FM-3097, there are 452 metal buildings, and a day care and nursery off Wallace. In Area 2 they need hydrants
453 and fire flow. There are major life safety concerns with the building. Poindexter advised
454 that Fire Station No. 4 would serve Area 2.

456 Councilmember McCallum thanked Councilmember Dobbs for his forethought in 457 extending the annexation to cover the south side of FM-549 and thanked Councilmember 458 Raulston for amending his motion. McCallum stated that the only thing he needed to 459 hear to approve annexation was the fire safety issues in Area 2. McCallum asked about 460 the status of the Wallace Property -- the preserve. LaCroix stated that we have not done 461 anything at this time because it is not in the City.

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- 463 Mayor Jones stated that he agreed that we must annex Area 2 for the fire safety issue.
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- The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
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**8b.** Discuss and consider approval of the Takeline Sublease policies and requirements and take any action necessary.

Brad Griggs discussed the background of the Takeline Sublease policies and
 requirements and gave a Power Point presentation regarding same. Councilmember
 Cotti made a motion to approve the policies and guidelines and Councilmember
 McCallum seconded the motion.

- 474 Councilmember Morris stated that he was not going to support this action and expressed
  475 his disappointment in this Council's inability to hold land in its natural state and its
  476 failure to protect the rights of the majority of the citizens.
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- 478 Councilmember Dobbs pointed out the City logo and stated all you saw on it was the lake
  479 and trees with nothing else no gazebos. Dobbs suggested that perhaps we should
  480 change the logo from a sail boat to a fishing boat.
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- 482 Councilmember Raulston stated that he did not support the policies and requirements in 483 full and cannot give it a rubber stamp tonight.
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- 485 Mayor Jones stated that he was going to support this action because it will encourage
   486 family activities.
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- The motion passed by a vote of 4 ayes [McCallum, Cotti, Jones and King] and 3 nays [Dobbs, Raulston and Morris].
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- 491 Councilmember Cotti asked what steps were needed now. Julie Couch stated that we 492 need to finalize the leasing plan and initiate the survey. We also need to give feed back 493 to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a zoning overlay on the takeline. This will 494 need to be the agenda for a joint meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission. 495 Cotti stated that he understood the comments made by Dobbs, Morris and Raulston. 496 Cotti then thanked the citizens and Staff for their input. 497
- 498 Councilmember King stated that this was a very tough issue -- our shoreline is unique. 499 Although there are some who do not want change, since 1975 we have grown from no 500 houses along Ridge Road and SH-205 to the development we have today. With our 501 growth, we need actionable control over the takeline. King stated that he had received

very few negative comments and those were why don't we allow more. There was a lot of
 teeth gnashing over this issue. We don't want to and are not going to look like Rowlett.

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**8c.** Discuss and consider approval of a contract with the Rockwall County Committee on Aging for Nutrition Services and take any action necessary.

507 Joann Glover of the Rockwall County Committee on Aging (RCCOA) came forward to 508 address the Council and gave business cards to Councilmembers and Staff. Glover 509 stated that they had received a grant to provide food/nutrition to the needy and needed 510 matching funds. They provide meals on an "need" basis – whether a person is able to 511 provide meals for themselves. RCCOA has partnered with the Rockwall Independent 512 School District for the food preparation, which has been well received.

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514 Councilmember Cotti stated that he strongly supported what Glover and the RCCOA is 515 doing and made a motion to approve the request for funds, increased to what we have 516 budgeted. Councilmember King thanked Glover for her work and stated that he had 517 accompanied his wife delivering meals. King asked how much was budgeted and was 518 advised the amount is \$9,855.04. King then seconded the motion approving the request.

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Glover stated that she might have to come back and ask for more since they are growing
 and thanked the Council for their assistance.

523 Councilmember McCallum asked Glover how many volunteers she had. Glover stated 524 that they have about 20 but that she needs substitutes and volunteers. McCallum asked 525 how many more were needed. Glover stated that 5-10 substitutes would be great. 526 McCallum stated that the Press was present tonight and that they would get the story out 527 and let people know they are needed. Glover stated that this was the first time in 25 528 years that RCCOA has a waiting list to be on the Board of Directors. 529

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- **8d.** Discuss and consider approval of the closure, but not the abandonment, of a part of Dickson Lane at its intersection with SH-205, as requested by John Vance and take any action necessary.
- 536Rick Crowley discussed the background of this request. Crowley advised that the537adjacent property owners were contacted and there were no objections to this closure.
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  539 Councilmember Cotti asked if this street closure was temporary. Crowley advised it
  540 would be closed until the Council reopened it. Councilmember Cotti then made a motion
  541 to approve the request.
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  543 Councilmember King asked if the closure changed our responsibility in any way.
  544 Crowley stated that the street is currently gravel and that it will probably become grass.
- 545 546 Mayor Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 547 ayes and 0 nays.
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5498e.Discuss and consider a General Services Agreement with Turner, Collier550and Brandon for Aviation and Civil Engineering Services and take any551action necessary.

Rick Crowley discussed the background of the request. This will assist us in helping the
 Subcommittee make recommendations to help increase aviation services available within
 the City.

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556 Mayor Jones asked how much this study was going to cost. Crowley advised that there 557 is \$5,000 budgeted. If it exceeds that, we would have to come back to the Council. 558 Mayor Jones asked if it wouldn't be better if a local business group did the study, then it 559 wouldn't cost the City anything. We could partner with this group. Crowley stated that 560 we could partner with the group, but in his opinion the Council should take this initial 561 step first. 562

- 563 Councilmember Morris stated that the agreement will let us figure what we can do what 564 the FAA will allow – then what it will cost. We have roads to be re-aligned and what 565 about the Bypass? This contract will allow us to find this out. Morris stated he did not 566 feel he would be comfortable with an outside group doing a study and then bringing it to 567 the Council for approval. This has to be a feasibility study – to determine what we can 568 do, will it be enough, what will it cost.
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  570 Councilmember McCallum stated that the Council had stated it wanted to improve the
  571 airport to bring in more business traffic. If this is our objective and he believes they
  572 decided they wanted to do this then we should partner with the business sector. We
  573 need the input. Our airport does not have anything at this point. McCallum stated that
  574 he will not support spending money if we don't do it right. \$5,000 is not going to cover it.
  575 This airport has the name of Ralph Hall and we should have something that we are proud
  576 of a landmark and we need to spend money to do it right.
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  578 Rick Crowley stated that at this point there is no issue for partnership. There is base
  579 information which we don't have we need the basic information before we partner.
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- 581 Councilmember McCallum asked if it would hurt us if the private sector gets started. 582 McCallum stated this is in reverse and he can't support it. Crowley stated you can do it 583 either way, however, we are still going to need the information regarding aviation/civil 584 engineering. McCallum stated he had reservations spending taxpayer money on this. 585
- 586 Julie Couch stated that part of the information we are looking for is for our radio system 587 and that she believes Rick is right. There is base information we need before any plan is 588 done. 589
- 590 Councilmember Cotti stated that this should be a multi-phase process. We have an 591 airport that is less than desirable. We need to look at this as a "we" not a "them" or 592 "us." We need to figure out the best way forward on this -- it affects our communication 593 system. Cotti stated he had never known a consultant that costs less than \$5,000. We 594 need to go ahead with this if it can get us FAA/civil engineering information. 595
- 596 Rick Crowley stated that whatever the decision is, we need to get the communication 597 system part complete. We could do it as a separate task order.
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599 Councilmember King stated that there are other issues at risk. There are a lot of utilities 600 at the airport. King stated that he agreed totally that we partner for the ALP – if we can 601 get it in lockstep with the City. First we need to find out about the roadway.

Councilmember Morris stated that the all the \$5,000 represents is the balance of the fund
today. We need to enter into this contract for the radio tower – its purpose is to answer
the questions. Nobody is saying that is all you are spending. Morris then made a motion
to approve Staff moving forward. Morris stated that he would use anyone's money,
however, the City must be in control. We don't have anything that's not for sale.
Councilmember Raulston stated that he agreed with Morris and seconded the motion.

Bob Wieneke, President of the Chamber of Commerce, stated that they are looking at a
way to better the airport. Our airport gives us advantages that other airports don't have.
Wieneke stated that he thinks the partnership idea is the best. The radio tower and
roadways were not considered by the private group. Mayor Jones asked Wieneke if his
group would have a problem working with Collie Turner and Bradon.

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616 Mayor Jones then asked Councilmember Morris if he would consider amending his 617 motion to include working with the private sector. Morris replied no. 618

Rick Crowley stated that what we are proposing is nothing near an airport layout plan.
 The contract does not bind us to use them for an ALP. It is a company to work for us as
 we decide what we need.

623 **Councilmember Raulston called for the vote.** 

625 Councilmember McCallum stated that based on the discussion, he could agree to move 626 forward on this. We need to be sure we include the private sector in an ALP. 627

- 628 The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.
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- 8f. Consider approval of a *Resolution* authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Criminal Justice Division for the formation of a joint drug interdiction task force by the cities of Rockwall, Greenville, Commerce and Terrell, and the counties of Rockwall and Van Zandt and take any action necessary.
- 6368h.Discuss and consider approving a Resolution authorizing the City637Manager to execute a Mutual Cooperation Agreement On Peace Officer638Jurisdiction Related To A Regional Anti-Drug Abuse Task Force and take639any action necessary.

# Julie Couch discussed items 8f and 8h. These items are related and have been a longstanding annual renewal.

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643 Councilmember Raulston stated that he is a strong supporter and that our unit has done 644 a great job and made a motion to approve items 8f and 8h. Councilmember Cotti 645 seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 646 nays. 647 6498g.SP2003-015 – Discuss and consider approval of a request by Eddie650Collins of Rockwall Shores, Ltd., for a tree removal permit and treescape651plan for a 6.3 (+/-) acre tract located within the Lake Ray Hubbard652takeline and immediately adjacent to Lots 19-26, Block B, Hillcrest Shores653Phase 3 and take any action necessary.

654 **Councilmember Dobbs recused himself from participation on this item.** 

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Robert LaCroix discussed the background of the request. This item was tabled at the last meeting. The applicant has resubmitted his tree plan and believes that they can remove only 15 trees. They can remove anything under 6 inches and other than removing only 15 trees (vs. 30) they are pretty much sticking to the original plan. Pursuant to the takeline guidelines passed tonight, we can ask for mitigation on all of the takeline. LaCroix stated that we can work with what they have proposed – let them clean up the 6" and smaller trees and brush and take out only the 15 trees.

663 664 Councilmember Raulston stated that he believes this is where we want to be and made a 665 motion to approve the request and that Staff will work with the applicant and the 666 applicant will only remove 15 trees.

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668 Councilmember Cotti stated that as far as the tree removal goes, applicant must mitigate
 669 and asked Raulston to amend his motion. Raulston stated that he would amend.
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671 Councilmember Morris asked LaCroix if this would go to Planning and Zoning from now 672 on and LaCroix stated yes.

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674 Councilmember McCallum stated he commended Mr. Howell for coming back and that it 675 sounds like we are removing 15 trees. McCallum asked if there was anyway possible that 676 the remaining 15 trees could be saved – until they tear out the small stuff do they even 677 know. Eddie Collins stated that the 15 trees will have to come out. We are running out of 678 time and can't come back to a public hearing every time we want to remove a tree. We 679 are looking for the Staff to come out and see if there is a view. McCallum stated that if it 680 were just the 15 trees he could support it, however, if it is to see if the other 15 can come out, he could not support it. 681

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Mayor Jones stated he could not support cutting 15 large trees.
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The motion passed by a vote of 4 ayes [Cotti, Morris, King and Raulston], 2 nays [Jones and McCallum], and 1 abstain [Dobbs].

688There being no further business to come before the Council in regular session, Mayor689Jones adjourned the meeting into Executive Session at 8:57 p.m.

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691 ACTION TAKEN AS RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION692

693 Councilmember Raulston made a motion to authorize the City Manager to proceed with 694 the negotiation of a contract with MaCom for the purchase of a radio communication 695 system in accordance with the proposal submitted by MaCom. The motion was 696 seconded by Councilmember Morris and passed unanimously by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 697 nays. 698 699 Councilmember Cotti made a motion to reappoint Frank Miller as the City's 700 representative on the Rockwall County Appraisal District Board, if he is willing to accept the appointment. The motion was seconded by Mayor Jones and passed unanimously 701 702 by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays. 703 704 There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned 705 at 10:00 p.m. 706 707 708 Ken Jones, Mayor 709 710 ATTEST: 711 712 Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary 713