



City of Coppel, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppel, Texas
75019-9478

Minutes

Future Oriented Approach to Residential Development (FOARD) Task Force

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

6:30 PM

ZOOM Meeting

Bart McLeroy
Chair

Leslie McMurray
Vice Chair

Maria Boccalandro

Daniel Mirabal

Russell Cowdrey

Mani Raveendran

Peggy Quinn

PRESENT: Bart McLeroy, Leslie McMurray, Maria Boccalandro, Daniel Mirabal, Russell Cowdrey, Manikandan Raveendran, and Peggy Quinn.

Also present were Mindi Hurley, Director of Community Development; Kami McGee, Board Secretary; Matt Steer, Development Services Administrator; and Julian Coleman, Audio Video Technician.

As authorized by Section 418.016(e) of the Texas Government Code, on March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location.

Notice is hereby given that the Future Oriented Approach to Residential Development Task Force met on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom Meeting.

As authorized by Section 551.127, of the Texas Government Code, one or more Task Force members or employees may attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology.

As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.

The following requirements have been suspended by the governor:

1. A quorum of the Council/Board/Commission need not be present at one physical location. Id. § 551.127(b).
2. In light of (1), above, the meeting notice need not specify where the quorum of the Council/Board/Commission will be physically present and the intent to have a quorum present. Id. § 551.127(e).
3. In light of (1) above, the meeting held by video conference call is not required to be open to the public at a location where council is present. Id. § 551.127(f).
4. The audio and video are not required to meet minimum standards established by Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) rules, the video doesn't have to be sufficient that a member of the public can observe the demeanor of the participants, the members faces don't have to be clearly visible at all times, and the meeting can continue even if a connection is lost, so long as a quorum is still present. Id. § 551.127(a-3); (h); (i); (j).

This meeting was closed to in person attendance by the public to reduce the spread of COVID-19. A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference of public meetings has been granted by Texas Governor Greg Abbott. Letters and emails were submitted by the citizens of the City or other party of interest to express his or her opinion concerning this agenda or other general comments to the Task Force. Comments were read into the record during the Citizens Appearance portion of the meeting. Letters were addressed to the City of Coppell Economic Development Department, 255 Parkway Boulevard, Coppell, TX 75019, by email to ED@coppelltx.gov, or by calling the Economic Development Department at 972-304-3677.

The purpose of this meeting was to consider the following items:

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call To Order

Chairman Bart McLeroy called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

2. Citizens' Appearance

Chairman Bart McLeroy advised that no one signed up to speak at Citizens' Appearance.

3. Consider approval of the July 8, 2020 FOARD Task Force minutes.

A motion was made by Maria Boccalandro, seconded by Peggy Quinn to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously, (7-0).

4. Presentations by Subcommittees - Entire Task Force

The subcommittees of the Task Force gave presentations on their research of Senior Living Options.

5. New Business Update by Chair

Director, Mindi Hurley gave the Task Force an update on expiring terms and the re-appointment process for those wishing to apply for 2021. She also stated that future agendas and the schedule of guest speakers will be available online for the board members to contribute towards.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business before the FOARD Task Force, a motion was made by Peggy Quinn, seconded by Maria Boccalandro, to adjourn the meeting at 8:09p.m. The motion passed unanimously, (7-0).

Bart McLeroy, Chair

Kami McGee, Board Secretary