

**BIG LAKE CITY COUNCIL,  
PLANNING COMMISSION, EDA, and PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**COMMITTEE WORKSHOP MINUTES  
DECEMBER 6, 2011**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Lori Kampa called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Council Members present: Mayor Lori Kampa, Council Members Dick Backlund, Raeanne Danielowski, Duane Langsdorf, and Mike Wallen.

Planning Commission Members present: Chair Scott Marotz, Doug Hayes, and Patricia May.

EDA Members present: President Doug Hayes.

Parks Advisory Committee Members present: Chair Katrine Nau, Eugene Earney, Janae Stern, and Denise McDowall-Seyko.

Also present: City Administrator Todd Bodem, City Clerk Gina Wolbeck, Public Works Director Mike Goebel, Senior Planner Katie Larsen, EDA Specialist, and City Engineer Jared Voge from Bolton and Menk, Inc.

**3. PROPOSED AGENDA**

Council Member Wallen motioned to adopt the proposed Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Langsdorf, unanimous ayes, agenda adopted.

**4. DISCUSSION**

Mayor Kampa thanked all members for their service. Mayor Kampa invited the Committee Members to give updates on accomplishments and needs of the various committees.

Parks Board Chair Katrine Nau discussed accomplishments of the Parks Advisory Board and also addressed future Park planning in the City. Items discussed included the Powell Park Restoration, River Oaks Park, McDowall Park, the install of athletic equipment at Lakeside Park, the potential for an athletic complex, the Graniteman Triathlon, funding and grants, website upgrades, and a future dog park. Members also discussed the possible purchase of the old campground site which could be purchased under a joint effort with either the County or Big Lake Township.

EDA President Doug Hayes reviewed projects the EDA accomplished in 2011 and identified proposed upcoming projects. Topics discussed included Business Subsidy approvals for Cherrywood of Big Lake, Northern Star Apartments, and zero interest façade loans for the downtown awning project, the Big Lake Investment Committee which has visited 8 local companies since late 2010, the NSP Program, Farmers Market, and EDA marketing efforts.

Planning Commission Chair Scott Marotz reviewed projects and developments brought to the Planning Commission in 2011. Items discussed included The Crossings at Big Lake Station, Big Lake Townhomes, the community reader board sign, the Community Attitudes Survey results, the CUP for the Jerky Shoppe project, KleinBank development application review, Cherrywood of Big Lake, Ordinance housekeeping amendments, the M&M Express Sales and Service application, the Maxfield Research study, and the Northern Star Apartment project.

Todd Bodem reviewed the status of the Goals and Objectives established by the City Council for 2011. Discussion was also held on the status of the Quiet Zone area. Council thanked all the Committee Members and staff for attending.

**5. ADJOURN**

Council Member Wallen motioned to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Langsdorf, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

Gina Wolbeck  
City Clerk

Date Approved By Council 12/14/11