

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL/CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING
JUNE 2, 2025

- **Call to Order**

Mayor Omar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present:

Amir Omar	Mayor
Ken Hutchenrider	Mayor Pro Tem
Curtis Dorian	Councilmember
Jennifer Justice	Councilmember
Dan Barrios	Councilmember
Joe Corcoran	Councilmember
Arefin Shamsul	Councilmember

The following staff members were also present:

Don Magner	City Manager
Kent Pfeil	Chief Operating Officer
Charles Goff	Assistant City Manager
Michaela Dollar	Assistant City Manager
Dannette Garcia	Assistant City Manager
Aimee Nemer	City Secretary
Joe Gorfida	City Attorney

Charter Review Commission present:

Gerald Bright, Chair
Kimberly Quirk, Vice Chair
Jennifer Baker
Doris Benner
Lisa Dunn
Shayan Gaziani
Chip Pratt
Richard Strecker
Jeremy Thomason
Jerry Walker
Terry Ziegler (absent)

WORK SESSION – 6:00 PM, MULTIPURPOSE ROOM #CH 157

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND VISITORS FORUM

Mr. Magner acknowledged a public comment form submitted by Laurie Garvie, 415 Valley Cove, expressing her appreciation of the Home Sweet Home Workshop.

Public comments were submitted by the following:

Lisa Kupfer, 112 Wake, regarding the inclusion of women in civic engagement
Justin Neth, 425 Pleasant Valley, regarding charter amendments

B. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION FOR DR. RICHARD BENSON, 5TH PRESIDENT OF UT DALLAS AND RECOGNIZING HIS 45-YEAR CAREER IN ACADEMIA

Mayo Omar presented a proclamation to Dr. Benson.

C. RECOGNITION FOR THE WINNERS OF THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL BOX ART CONTEST

Michaela Dollar, Assistant City Manager, presented the winners of the art contest.

Jennifer Geiger, A Colorful Symphony

Emily Adams, Butterflies Squared

Kristina Hrubo, Butterfly Garden

Emily Painter, Flora and Fauna

Josselyn Zorto, Wings of Change

JOINT WORK SESSION – IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORK SESSION

• CALL TO ORDER (THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION WILL CALL THEIR MEETING TO ORDER.)

Chair Bright called the Charter Review Commission to order at 6:28 p.m. with all members present except for Commissioner Terry Ziegler.

D. CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL OF THE MAY 29, 2025 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commission Action

Commissioner Gaziani moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Commissioner Benner seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

E. PRESENTATION OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

Chair Bright recognized the Commission and presented the Charter Review Commission Report to the Council. He noted the work of the Commission and the review process, the schedule of review, public input opportunities, and the focus of the Commission. Chair Bright highlighted the following Commission recommendations.

- Article 3 – Increasing City Council compensation
- Article 4 – Establishing a residency requirement for district places
- Article 5 – Defining the grounds for a recall petition
- Article 18 – Authorizing Council to allow board members to participate in economic incentive programs
- Article 18 – Requiring Council to have a Code of Ethics and review biennially
- Article 19 – Allowing non-substantive changes

F. ADJOURNMENT OF CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION PORTION OF THE JOINT MEETING

Chair Bright adjourned the Charter Review Commission meeting at 7:05 p.m.

G. RECESS

Mayor Omar called for a recess at 7:05 p.m.

- **RECONVENE**

Mayor Omar reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

H. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND BOARD LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor Omar distributed Council Committee assignment forms and stated that assignments would be discussed at the June 9th City Council meeting.

I. REPORT ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Council reported on items of community interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In compliance with Section 551.087 (1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code, Council will convene into a closed session to discuss the following:

- Deliberation Regarding Economic Development to deliberate commercial or financial information received from a business prospect or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.
- Project Rodeo

Council Action

Council convened into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

Council will reconvene into open session, and take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

Council Action

Council reconvened into regular session at 8:04 p.m.

Councilmember Justice moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement on behalf of the City of Richardson with Project Rodeo to provide economic development incentives in accordance with the direction provided during the executive session, including any amendments or instruments related thereto. Councilmember Dorian seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed, 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY SECRETARY