

5-17-16
Agenda

AGENDA REQUEST

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NO: 2016-053

ORDINANCE RESOLUTION

CAPTION: A Resolution by the City Council of the City of Pasadena, Texas, supporting Alternative #1 (CR #1) of the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District (GCCPRD) Storm Surge Suppression Study and opposing Alternative #2 (CR #2) of the Study.

RECOMMENDATIONS & JUSTIFICATION: This resolution expresses the City's support for "the Ike Dike", or Alternative #1, as proposed by the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District Storm Surge Suppression Study.

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BUDGETED:
REQUIRES APPROPRIATION:
See attached Certification

| | | COUNCIL ACTION | |
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| Andy Helms REQUESTING PARTY (TYPED) | DATE: <u>4/13/16</u> | | |
| _____ BUDGET DEPARTMENT | | <u>Wheeler</u> MOTION | _____ MOTION |
| _____ PURCHASING DEPARTMENT | | <u>Casado</u> SECOND | _____ SECOND |
| APPROVED: <u>[Signature]</u> CITY ATTORNEY | | <u>5-17-16</u> DATE | _____ DATE |
| <u>[Signature]</u> MAYOR | | DEFERRED: _____ | |

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WHEREAS, Hurricane Ike made landfall over the eastern end of Galveston Island as a Category 2 hurricane, causing massive damage due to storm surge along the upper Texas Gulf Coast; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston area is home to the largest petrochemical complex in the country, and the number one U.S. port for imports and exports; and

WHEREAS, it is only a matter of time before another hurricane hits the Houston-Galveston area; and

WHEREAS, a higher category of hurricane, or landfall between Freeport and Galveston, can be expected to cause considerably more storm surge damage; and

WHEREAS, The Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District (GCCPRD) has published storm surge suppression alternatives; and

WHEREAS, Alternative #2 (CR #2), the extension of the Texas City Dike and a levee along Hwy 146, would leave parts of Pasadena and numerous other cities and petrochemical and shipping facilities, including the Houston ship channel, unprotected, and would cause storm surge in those areas to be worse than without any action; and

WHEREAS, not only the residents who live in areas that

might not be protected from storm surge would be affected, but also the many residents who live elsewhere in the City but work within potentially unprotected areas; and

WHEREAS, the residents and businesses outside the protection provided by Alternative #2 would be impacted not just when there is a major storm, but by higher flood insurance every year; and

WHEREAS, Alternative #1 (CR #1), the Coastal Spine, provides protection to the entire Houston-Galveston area; and

WHEREAS, the cost of construction of storm surge protection will be more than offset by reduced damages during multiple future storms; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby finds and adopts the preamble to this Resolution.

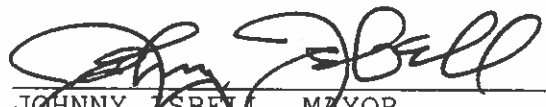
SECTION 2. That the City Council of the City of Pasadena supports alternative #1 (CR #1) of the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District (GCCPRD) Storm Surge Suppression Study and opposes Alternative #2 (CR #2) of the Study.

SECTION 3. That the City Council of the City of Pasadena urges State and Federal legislators to develop a funding plan and proceed to construction of Alternative #1, the Coastal Spine.

SECTION 4. That the City Council officially determines that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient

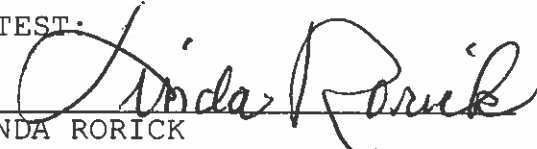
to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 17th day of May,
A.D., 2016.




JOHNNY ISBELL, MAYOR
OF THE CITY OF PASADENA, TEXAS

ATTEST:



LINDA RORICK
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF PASADENA, TEXAS

APPROVED:



LEE CLARK
CITY ATTORNEY
CITY OF PASADENA, TEXAS