JOINT SPECIAL SESSION – 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM OF CITY COUNCIL – Mayor Cindy Siegel.

Mayor Cindy Siegel called the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, to order at 7:01 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009. The Bellaire City Council met at that time and on that date in Joint Special Session with the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas, for the purpose of discussing and considering possible action on a new Comprehensive Plan for the City of Bellaire, Texas, as proposed by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas. The Joint Special Session was held in the Council Chamber, First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

Mayor Siegel announced that a quorum was present consisting of herself and the following members of City Council:

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., Position No. 2;
Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk, Position No. 3; and
Councilman Pat McLaughlan, Position No. 5.

Councilman Phil Nauert, Position No. 4, and Councilman John Jeffery, Position No. 6, were absent. Councilman Will Hickman, Position No. 1, arrived at 7:03 p.m. Other officials present were City Manager Bernard M. Satterwhite, Jr., City Attorney Alan P. Petrov, City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton, and Director of Community Development John McDonald.

B. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM OF PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION – Chair Bill Thorogood.

Chair Bill Thorogood called the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas, to order at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009. The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas, met at that time and on that date in Joint Special Session with the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, for the purpose of discussing a new Comprehensive Plan for the City of Bellaire, Texas, as proposed by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas. The Joint Special Session was held in the Council Chamber, First Floor of City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas 77401.
Chair Thorogood announced that a quorum was present consisting of himself and the following members of the Planning and Zoning Commission:

Vice Chair Michael Doyle;
Commissioner James P. Avioli, Jr.;
Commissioner Peter Boecher;
Commissioner Andrew Friedberg; and
Commissioner Donna Rickenbacker.

Commissioner Lori Aylett was absent.

C. QUESTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF BELLAIRE, TEXAS, as proposed by the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas – Consultant Gary Mitchell, Vice President, Kendig Keast Collaborative, Members of the Bellaire City Council, Members of the Bellaire Planning and Zoning Commission and City Staff.

PROCESS

Mayor Cindy Siegel suggested that City Council continue with questions, discussion, and amendments to the new Comprehensive Plan as proposed by the Bellaire Planning and Zoning Commission. The Bellaire City Council had completed their questions, discussion, and amendments on Chapter 2, Land Use & Community Character, of the Comprehensive Plan the previous evening. This evening, the Bellaire City Council would begin with Chapter 3, Mobility, followed by Chapter 5, Commercial Area Development & Enhancement, followed by Chapter 4, Public Infrastructure & Services, followed by Chapter 1, Introduction, followed by Chapter 6, Implementation.

Mayor Siegel advised further that if City Council did not finish working on the Comprehensive Plan this evening, that a Joint Special Session would be scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2009.

QUESTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSION

CHAPTER 3, MOBILITY:

Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk noted the importance of emphasizing the City’s proximity to Interstate Highway 610 and Highway 59 and the fact that since that intersection was the busiest intersection in the State, it was a public safety concern. If the City could play a role in ensuring the public safety at that intersection, it would be desirable. She also suggested that the possibility of a toll road being constructed somewhere along the border of Bellaire be mentioned and that the City should play a strong role in preventing a toll road.
As a runner, Mayor Pro Tem Faulk advised members of City Council that many of the pedestrian areas in Bellaire were very poorly lit at night. Although the City was working on repairing and reconstructing sidewalks, there were still many uneven areas. She suggested that good lighting in pedestrian areas be emphasized in the Comprehensive Plan.

Finally, Mayor Pro Tem Faulk advised that she would love to see grade separation at the rail crossings. From a public safety point of view, 33 trains traveled on the edges of Bellaire each day. She stated that she would like to see the transit center (Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (METRO)) moved from the downtown area of Bellaire. She also hoped that the plans under development by the Houston-Galveston Area Council were incorporated into the mobility vision for Bellaire.

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., noted that the City was moving ahead with its Rebuild Bellaire Program and asked if there were anything within the Comprehensive Plan that would lead the City to need to revise its Rebuild Bellaire Program plans. He did not believe the Comprehensive Plan contradicted the City’s plans under the Rebuild Bellaire Program, but wanted to make certain that was the case.

{Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission made the assumption that the Rebuild Bellaire Program was completed and suggested that City Council consider continuing that program with a new one in the current Comprehensive Plan.}

Councilman Will Hickman asked questions regarding the Commission’s suggestion in the Comprehensive Plan of doing away with the Neighborhood Traffic Improvement Program.

{It was noted that the Commission’s suggestion related to reviewing traffic issues from a broader perspective rather than on a case-by-case basis.}

Councilman Hickman continued and noted that the City already had specific criteria in place for street closures and traffic calming measures. The Comprehensive Plan indicated that this was a goal that the City needed to pursue.

Councilman Pat McLaughlan referred to the METRO Transit Station and noted that METRO was trying to be a good neighbor and had provided greater police involvement. He was hopeful that the City could continue to establish a greater working relationship with METRO regarding the transit station. He noted that there might be logic to relocate the transit station to provide a better tie-in for the light rail system (when and if it arrived to Bellaire).

Mayor Cindy Siegel referred to the reference to a need for an exceptional pedestrian bicycle environment in the Comprehensive Plan.
{It was noted that the intent was to improve bicycle mobility through streetscape and trails, as there was a need for interconnectivity.}

AMENDMENT NO. 1:

An amendment (no. 1) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to add language to page 3.2, Loop 610 Impact, to emphasize the public safety issues (daily traffic impact and emergency and disaster potentials) associated with the interchange of Interstate Highway 610 and Highway 59. Councilman Will Hickman seconded the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1:

Amendment No. 1 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  
       Hickman, Will  
       Avioli, James P., Sr.  
       Faulk, Peggy  
       McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil  
         Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 2:

An amendment (no. 2) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to add language to Goal 3.1 (A multi-modal transportation system that integrates Bellaire with the region and enhances the mobility and safety of residents within their own community), Consideration 2 – Pedestrian and Bicycle Network, to emphasize the need for well-lit pedestrian walkways. Councilman Will Hickman seconded the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 2:

Amendment No. 2 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  
       Hickman, Will  
       Avioli, James P., Sr.  
       Faulk, Peggy  
       McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None
ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
        Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 3:

An amendment (no. 3) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to include a statement that the City desires to seek grade separation at all rail crossings in Bellaire under Goal 3.1 (A multi-modal transportation system that integrates Bellaire with the region and enhances the mobility and safety of residents within their own community), Consideration 8 – Coordination on Regional Projects, or under another appropriate section in the document. Councilman Pat McLaughlan seconded the amendment.

{By grade separation, it was noted that the rail line could either be constructed beneath the street or an overpass could be built over the rail line for vehicles and pedestrians.}

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 3:

Amendment No. 3 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
        Hickman, Will
        Avioli, James P., Sr.
        Faulk, Peggy
        McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
        Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 4:

An amendment (no. 4) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to consider and investigate opportunities for a possible relocation of the METRO Transit Center out of downtown Bellaire. Councilman Will Hickman seconded the amendment.

Discussion ensued among members of City Council regarding safety and security perceptions associated with the METRO Transit Center, the small number of Bellaire residents served by the METRO Transit Center, and the need to coordinate with METRO on a possible relocation of the METRO Transit Center.
A suggestion was made to ask METRO to accelerate their future plans for the Transit Center. For example, better maintenance of the facility (i.e., landscaping), more frequent police protection, installation of a video surveillance system, and addition of public restroom facilities.

CALL FOR A VOTE:

A motion was made by Councilman Will Hickman and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to call for a vote on Amendment No. 4.

VOTE ON MOTION TO CALL FOR A VOTE:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Hickman, Will
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 4:

Amendment No. 4 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Hickman, Will
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 5:

An amendment (no. 5) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to make the following changes to the first paragraph of the section entitled “Sidewalks” on page 3.6 as follows:
Sidewalks. Sidewalk-related issues and disagreements have been a lingering challenge for Bellaire. One particular aspect has involved implementation of a stated City policy, as part of the Rebuild Bellaire street rehabilitation program, that a sidewalk be incorporated on at least one both sides of the street for major and minor arterials and collector streets and one side of the street for local streets. The City Engineer uses criteria, such as percentage of completed sidewalks, trees/landscaping, number of crossings, traffic patterns, and citizen involvement to design the sidewalks and decide the side of the street. Because of the degree of resident concern in many cases over potential impacts and design considerations, City Council has been in a “micro-management” position of reviewing and making sidewalk improvement decisions on a case-by-case basis, including side-of-street and specific design details. More generally, . . . .

Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk seconded the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 5:

Amendment No. 5 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
      Hickman, Will
      Avioli, James P., Sr.
      Faulk, Peggy
      McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 6:

An amendment (no. 6) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to add language to the last sentence of the second paragraph of the section entitled “Sidewalks” on page 3.6 as follows:

This means a continuous sidewalk network is desirable for the entire community and should be a high priority of the City’s elected officials, even in the face of vocal, localized opposition as particular segments are to be built or improved, and should be constructed as streets are reconstructed.

Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk seconded the amendment.
VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 6:

Amendment No. 6 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Hickman, Will
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
        Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 7:

An amendment (no. 7) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to delete the first bullet point under Goal 3.1 (A multi-modal transportation system that integrates Bellaire with the region and enhances the mobility and safety of residents within their own community), Consideration 1, Citizen Involvement in Planning, Further Study/Planning, which was stated as follows:

Explore the specific criteria that would have to be addressed by citizen proposal for street closures or traffic calming measures on local neighborhood streets.

Mayor Cindy Siegel seconded the amendment.

Discussion ensued regarding the amendment. It was suggested that although the City did have criteria in place for street closures and/or traffic calming measures, it would be a good idea to explore the specific criteria the City already had in place. As a result of the discussion Councilman Hickman suggested an amendment to Amendment No. 7.

AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT NO. 7:

An amendment to Amendment No. 7 was made by Councilman Will Hickman to add the word “further” to the first bullet point under Goal 3.1 (A multi-modal transportation system that integrates Bellaire with the region and enhances the mobility and safety of residents within their own community), Consideration 1, Citizen Involvement in Planning, Further Study/Planning, which was stated as follows:
Further explore the specific criteria that would have to be addressed by citizen proposal for street closures or traffic calming measures on local neighborhood streets.

Mayor Cindy Siegel agreed to the amendment to the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 7, AS AMENDED:

Amendment No. 7, as amended, carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  
      Hickman, Will  
      Avioli, James P., Sr.  
      Faulk, Peggy  
      McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED:  None

ABSENT:  Nauert, Phil  
          Jeffery, John

CHAPTER 5, COMMERCIAL AREA DEVELOPMENT & ENHANCEMENT:

Discussion and questions were considered by members of City Council with respect to Chapter 5, Commercial Area Development & Enhancement, of the Comprehensive Plan. One topic of discussion was the Research, Development and Distribution Zoning District (RDD). It was noted that the residents living near that particular zoning district were intrigued by the possible types of amenities that could exist in Bellaire, but were very concerned about traffic congestion. It was further noted that the RDD District only had 15 acres of land that were currently developable (owned by 15 different persons or entities), whereas the City Center District had 20 acres of developable land (owned by 40 different persons or entities).

Additional discussion related to possible program initiatives that could be offered to existing commercial properties, such as the creation of esplanades in lieu of continuous turning lanes. Architectural design standards, pavers or seals in the City’s streets or crosswalks, signage themes, etc., were noted to be significantly lacking in Bellaire’s downtown area.

Suggested or desirable height limits were discussed, with opinions differing as to acceptable height limits in various zoning districts in Bellaire. It was noted that a mid-rise was currently considered to be three to four stories and a high rise was considered to be six stories.
AMENDMENT NO. 1:

An amendment (no. 1) was made by Mayor Cindy Siegel to delineate more clearly (in the text related to the Bellaire Rail Station Area on pages 5.2 and 5.3) the type of development that could occur on the City of Houston side of the area versus the type of development that could occur on the City of Bellaire side of the area. Councilman Will Hickman and Councilman Pat McLaughlan seconded the amendment.

{It was noted that movie theaters, sports clubs, etc., were on the City of Houston side of the area and a small-scale urban district was included as a type of development for the City of Bellaire side of the area.}

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1:

Amendment No. 1 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  Hickman, Will  Avioli, James P., Sr.  Faulk, Peggy  McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED:  None

ABSENT:  Nauert, Phil  Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 2:

An amendment (no. 2) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to change the wording on the fourth bullet point on page 5.6 of the Comprehensive Plan to read as follows:

• Current ordinances clear obstacles in the City’s current “CCD” zoning to do not allow stand-alone residential development in City Center.

Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk seconded the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 2:

Amendment No. 2 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR:  Siegel, Cindy  Hickman, Will  Avioli, James P., Sr.
FOR (CONT.): Faulk, Peggy
McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 3:

An amendment (no. 3) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to include a goal in the Comprehensive Plan for further study/planning to state that the City would like to pursue a land swap of the Research, Development and Distribution Zoning District (RDD) with the City of Houston in exchange for another parcel of land owned by the City of Houston and adjacent to the City of Bellaire.

Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk seconded the amendment.

{Councilman Hickman advised that one parcel of land that Bellaire could consider in the swap, for example, was Precinct 826, which included Aspen Street, among others. The reason for the amendment was related to the fact that it would be much easier for one developer to develop the entire RDD area versus dealing with two different cities with different requirements.}

Discussion ensued regarding a possible land swap with the City of Houston. Councilman McLaughlan indicated that he would be reluctant to support such an amendment because the RDD Zoning District had a potential of providing the City with a tremendous expansion in the tax base while costing the City very little (i.e., infrastructure improvements). Councilman Avioli noted that this amendment would represent a significant change in the Comprehensive Plan resulting in the need to call an additional public hearing.

City Attorney Alan P. Petrov advised that depending on how the amendment was worded and if the goal were to change the City’s boundaries, then he agreed that this was a substantial change requiring a joint public hearing.

Councilman Will Hickman and Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk opted at this point to withdraw their amendment and second to the Comprehensive Plan, as City Attorney Petrov indicated that the City would not be precluded from exploring cooperative agreements and possible boundary adjustments with the City of Houston.
CHAPTER 1, INTRODUCTION:

AMENDMENT NO. 1:

An amendment (no. 1) was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk to provide examples for the phrase “whole new level in terms of livability,” such as walkability, housing varieties, safety, green, space.

Councilman Will Hickman seconded the amendment if the example “housing varieties” were removed. Mayor Pro Tem Peggy Faulk agreed.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1:

Amendment No. 1 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Hickman, Will
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

CHAPTER 4, PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE & SERVICES:

AMENDMENT NO. 1:

An amendment (no. 1) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to delete the second paragraph under the bullet point entitled “Capacity” on page 4.3, which reads as follows:

Additional well capacity will be gained to supplement the Renwick water plant as improvements are completed at two of the City’s other well sites (Central water plant and Feld Park water plant). The City’s fourth water plant at Evergreen Park is slated for demolition, including decommissioning of this well location. The City currently has 3.25 MGD of water storage capacity in various water towers and ground storage tanks.

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., seconded the amendment.

{It was noted that the City had not definitively decided on the demolition and/or decommissioning of the Evergreen Park water plant; therefore, the
paragraph cited by Councilman Hickman was not necessarily accurate and too specific.}

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 1:**

Amendment No. 1 **carried** unanimously on a **5-0** vote as follows:

**FOR:** Siegel, Cindy  
Hickman, Will  
Avioli, James P., Sr.  
Faulk, Peggy  
McLaughlan, Pat

**OPPOSED:** None

**ABSENT:** Nauert, Phil  
Jeffery, John

**AMENDMENT NO. 2:**

An **amendment (no. 2) was made** by Councilman Will Hickman to add the parameters or criteria used to determine improvements under the Rebuild Bellaire Bond Program, as well as a list of streets that had already been completed and the amount of money already spent under the Bellaire Millennium Renewal Bond Program, and amounts remaining to be spent. Councilman Hickman also requested that the website link set forth on page 4.7 be revised as follows: [www.ci.bellaire.tx.us/index.aspx?nid=381](http://www.ci.bellaire.tx.us/index.aspx?nid=381).

Mayor Cindy Siegel seconded the amendment.

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 2:**

Amendment No. 2 **carried** unanimously on a **5-0** vote as follows:

**FOR:** Siegel, Cindy  
Hickman, Will  
Avioli, James P., Sr.  
Faulk, Peggy  
McLaughlan, Pat

**OPPOSED:** None

**ABSENT:** Nauert, Phil  
Jeffery, John
AMENDMENT NO. 3:

An amendment (no. 3) was made by Councilman Will Hickman to revise the second sentence under the bullet point entitled “Current Issues: Space” to read as follows:

This deficiency will be partially addressed when Municipal Court operation are moved from their current location in the Police building . . . .

Councilman Pat McLaughlan and Mayor Cindy Siegel seconded the amendment.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 3:

Amendment No. 3 carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
     Hickman, Will
     Avioli, James P., Sr.
     Faulk, Peggy
     McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 4:

An amendment (no. 4) was made by Councilman Pat McLaughlan to delete the paragraph under the bullet point entitled “Future Needs – Vehicles” and replace it with the following verbiage:

- Acquisition of a ladder truck could be a future need if multi-story living or mixed-use, multi-story building occupancy becomes more of a part of Bellaire’s landscape in coming years. The new Fire Station is designed to house this size vehicle and also accommodate the additional personnel and support equipment that would be required.

- Evaluate fire safety needs as future development plans are implemented.

Councilman James P. Avioli, Sr., seconded the amendment.
VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 4:

Amendment No. 4 carried on a vote of 4-1 as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy  
      Avioli, James P., Sr.  
      Faulk, Peggy  
      McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: Hickman, Will

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil  
         Jeffery, John

AMENDMENT NO. 5:

An amendment (no. 5) was made by Councilman Pat McLaughlan to change the first paragraph under the bullet point entitled “Current Issues – Structural Needs” to read as follows:

- City Hall is in poor condition from a structural standpoint. Issues include major foundation problems, sewer line breaks, needed roof repairs, and old mechanical systems that will need replacement in the near future.

- City Hall should be monitored for future maintenance or reconstruction.

Amendment No. 5 failed due to lack of a second.

CHAPTER 6, IMPLEMENTATION:

Discussion ensued among members of City Council regarding Chapter 6. It was noted that there should be an annual review of the Comprehensive Plan and potential changes to the City’s zoning ordinances and regulations.

D. QUESTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BELLAIRE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (i.e., removal of the existing Comprehensive Plan from Chapter 24, Planning and Zoning, Appendix A, Comprehensive Plan, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bellaire, Texas, and adoption of the new Comprehensive Plan as a standalone document with a reference to the document within Chapter 24, Planning and Zoning, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bellaire, Texas) – Members of the Bellaire City Council, Members of the Bellaire Planning and Zoning Commission and City Staff.
No discussion or action was taken with respect to this agenda item.

E. **DISCUSSION and possible action regarding various components, goals, guiding principles, and/or planning considerations as set forth in the proposed new Comprehensive Plan – Members of the Bellaire City Council.**

Discussion and possible action with respect to the various components, goals, guiding principles, and/or planning considerations as set forth in the proposed new Comprehensive Plan were considered under agenda item C. above and on the preceding pages.

**Mayor Cindy Siegel** thanked everyone for the exceptional work on the Comprehensive Plan. After asking for and receiving confirmation from the City Attorney that a public hearing would not be triggered based on the amendments set forth this evening, Mayor Siegel advised that an item would be placed on the City Council agenda to consider taking action on the Comprehensive Plan, as revised by City Council. Mayor Siegel requested a blacklined copy of the document for the agenda packet.

**Chair Bill Thorogood** requested a dual posting of the meeting so that members of the Planning and Zoning Commission could attend.

**Consultant Gary Mitchell, Vice President, Kendig Keast Collaborative,** advised the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission that his professional group, the Houston Chapter of the American Planning Association, typically conducted its awards program each year toward the end of the year and he was going to submit Bellaire’s Comprehensive Plan for an award.

**Mayor Siegel** thanked Mr. Mitchell for considering Bellaire’s Comprehensive Plan for the award.

F. **ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL – Mayor Cindy Siegel.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

A **motion was made** by Councilman Pat McLaughlan and **seconded** by Councilman Will Hickman to **adjourn the Joint Special Session of the City Council** of the City of Bellaire, Texas, at **9:44 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009.**
VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried unanimously on a 5-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Siegel, Cindy
      Hickman, Will
      Avioli, James P., Sr.
      Faulk, Peggy
      McLaughlan, Pat

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Nauert, Phil
         Jeffery, John

G.  ADJOURNMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION – Chair Bill Thorogood.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Commissioner Peter Boecher and seconded by Commissioner James P. Avioli, Jr., to adjourn the Joint Special Session of the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Bellaire, Texas, at 9:44 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2009.

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried unanimously on a 6-0 vote as follows:

FOR: Chair Bill Thorogood
      Vice Chair Michael Doyle
      Commissioner James P. Avioli, Jr.
      Commissioner Peter Boecher
      Commissioner Andrew Friedberg
      Commissioner Donna Rickenbacker

OPPOSED: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Lori Aylett

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy L. Dutton, TRMC, City Clerk
City of Bellaire, Texas
Approved:

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Cynthia Siegel, Mayor
City of Bellaire, Texas

Approved:

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Bill Thorogood, Chair
Planning and Zoning Commission
City of Bellaire, Texas