RESOLUTION 2022-R-63

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE TEXAS COMMISSON ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING ON PROPOSED PERMIT NUMBER WQ0016046001.

- **WHEREAS**, the City Council the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has issued a draft permit for Proposed Permit Number WQ0016046001; and
- **WHEREAS,** Proposed Permit Number WQ0016046001 is for a Waste Water Treatment Plant for the proposed mobile home park known as The Reserve in Angleton, located south of County Road 220 in unincorporated Brazoria County; and
- **WHEREAS**, the proposed plan will serve approximately 300 homes, with future expansions in the community planned for over 800 homes; and
- **WHEREAS**, the proposed system would emit up to 250,000 gallons of treated wastewater per day; and
- **WHEREAS,** the treated wastewater from the proposed plant will discharge into Bastrop Bayou, a body of water used and enjoyed by the residents of Brazoria County for a variety of recreational purposes; and
- **WHEREAS,** the public's enjoyment of Bastrop Bayou may be adversely affected by the introduction of 250,000 gallons of raw sewage per day if the proposed plan should malfunction; and
- **WHEREAS,** Bastrop Bayou is a brackish body of water with a complex ecosystem and delicate salinity balance that may be affected by the addition of 250,000 gallons of treated wastewater per day; and
- **WHEREAS**, the proposed plant would be operated by a private entity instead of a publicly controlled municipality or district; and
- **WHEREAS**, the private entity operating the plant in a decade may bear no relation to the private entity currently seeking the permit, so there is no way to evaluate the diligence of future operators; and
- **WHEREAS**, homeowners in the surrounding area and along Bastrop Bayou have not yet had the opportunity to evince their concerns in a public meeting; and
- **WHEREAS,** the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United Stated of America guarantees the right of the people to petition their government for redress of grievances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHWOOD, TEXAS:

that the City Council of the City of Richwood respectfully requests that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality hold a public meeting on Proposed Permit Number WQ0016046001 and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk.

AND SO, IT IS RESOLVED.	
PASSED AND APPROVED on this 22 nd day	y of April 2022.
ATTEST:	Steve Boykin, Mayor
Kirsten Garcia, City Secretary	