

PIMBY (PLEASE IN MY BACKYARD)

Richard Knapik

Mayor

City of Bay City, Texas

Richard Knapik has served the Bay City Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture as President since August 1991. Through no fault of his own, Richard was not fortunate enough to be born in Texas, although he had the good sense to move here in 1979. He spent his formative years growing up in Chicago then moving to Colorado where he acquired his degree in Theater Arts from the University of Colorado-Denver Center. Richard is a 1997 graduate of the US Chamber Institute of Organization Management, has served as President of the Gulf Coast Chamber Executives and is Immediate Past Chairman of the Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives. He also belongs to many civic clubs and organizations. He and his wife Nancy have been married for twenty years and love to travel.

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Mayor of Bay City, Texas
Former Director, Bay City Chamber of Commerce

Matagorda County Seat
Near the twin-reactor
South Texas Project



**Good neighbor
for nearly
30 years
Vital member
of the Community**



Partners in Emergency Planning
STP training prepares community
responders for range of emergencies,
including hurricanes





Largest employer,
Leading taxpayer
Heart of the
City and County



We Would
Welcome
A New Unit
at STP!

Initial Benefits:

**Thousands of contractors, for several years,
During construction**



**Boom times for
accommodations,
restaurants, grocery
and retail stores,
services - Everybody!**

Long-term benefits:

**Several hundred new,
well-paid, permanent jobs**

Business Growth

Expanded Tax Base



Intangible Gains:

**More opportunities for area's
young people**

**Community Growth
and Continuity**



