



**CITY OF PLANO
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

CITY SECRETARY'S USE ONLY				
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory				
Council Meeting Date:		3/8/2010		
Department:		Legal		
Department Head		Diane Wetherbee		
Agenda Coordinator (include phone #): Lynne Jones - 7109				
CAPTION				
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Plano, Texas, appointing James D. Shields and Lori Leu to serve for two year terms as investigators as required by Section 2-104 of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano; and providing an effective date.				
FINANCIAL SUMMARY				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATING EXPENSE <input type="checkbox"/> REVENUE <input type="checkbox"/> CIP				
FISCAL YEAR:	Prior Year (CIP Only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Budget	0	0	0	0
Encumbered/Expended Amount	0	0	0	0
This Item	0	0	0	0
BALANCE	0	0	0	0
FUND(S):				
COMMENTS:				
SUMMARY OF ITEM				
This Resolution approves the appointment of James D. Shields and Lori Leu to serve as investigators in determining violations of the Code of Conduct by a City official in the event the Council deems a full investigation is required.				
List of Supporting Documents:		Other Departments, Boards, Commissions or Agencies		
Memo		n/a		

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 15, 2010
TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
SUBJECT: **Ethics Investigators**

Section 2-104 of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano provides for a panel of attorneys to serve as individual investigators to determine violations of the Code of Conduct by a City official. These investigators serve a two year term.

The two attorneys scheduled to be reappointed this year have informed me that they no longer reside in the City of Plano. My custom is to nominate attorneys who live in the City.

I have contacted Mr. James D. Shields of Shields, Britton and Fraser and Ms. Lori Leu of James and Leu and asked them to serve as investigators for the period February 2010 through February 2012, and both have agreed. Attached is a short biography of each of the attorneys. Both Mr. Shields and Ms. Leu live and office in Plano. These nominations are submitted for your approval.

If you have any questions or need additional information on this process, please feel free to contact me.

Attachment

c: Thomas H. Muehlenbeck, City Manager (w/attach)



James D. Shields, Shareholder

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Primary Areas of Concentration

- Corporate and commercial litigation
- Contract, real estate and insurance litigation

Activities and Affiliations

- Member of the Dallas and American Bar Associations
- Licensed to practice law in:
 - All state and county courts in the State of Texas
 - United States District Courts for the Northern, Eastern, and Western Districts of Texas

Education

- Law Degree:
 - St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio, 1983
 - Associate Member and Editor of St. Mary's University Law Journal
 - Order of the Barristers
- Undergraduate Degree in Language Arts:
 - St. Mary's University, 1980

LORI A. LEU

PRACTICE AREAS

- ELDER LAW
- ESTATE PLANNING
- GUARDIANSHIP
- PROBATE & ESTATE ADMINISTRATION

RELATED RESOURCES

"Lori is the type of attorney other attorneys will call when we need her expertise. She has the intellect to handle complex matters, plus the ethical standards that let you know the client will always be first."

- David M.

BIOGRAPHY



Growing up in a small town in Kansas, strong values and ties to the community were instilled in Lori Leu. After practicing as a civil litigation attorney for more than 20 years, Lori longed to focus on a practice area that would more directly benefit members of the community in which she lives. While searching for direction, Lori was approached by family members with questions regarding elder law issues. She then realized that assisting individuals who most need advice, especially when faced with confusing, and sometimes overwhelming issues, was the calling she was seeking. As a result, Lori changed her practice to focus on legal issues affecting seniors and long-term planning, from simple wills to more complicated estate planning, financing of long-term care, including Medicaid eligibility, advance directives, guardianships, and estate administration.

Lori graduated from Kansas State University with an honors degree in Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, *summa cum laude*, in 1984. She continued on to receive her law degree from Harvard University in 1987, and is licensed to practice in Texas, Kansas, and Missouri. Lori lives with her husband and two children in Plano, Texas.

Certified by the State Bar of Texas under Probate Code Section 646 to serve as an Ad Litem in guardianship proceedings.

Memberships

College of the State
Bar of Texas
Collin County Bar Association
Estate Planning & Probate
Section - Treasurer and
Board of Directors
Dallas Bar Association

Dallas Bar Foundation - Fellow
Estate Planning Council of North Texas
Kansas Bar Association
Missouri Bar Association
Plano Bar Association
State Bar of Texas

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-104 of the Code of Ordinances, the City Council shall appoint attorneys to serve as investigators in determining violations of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano by a City official; and

WHEREAS, James D. Shields and Lori Leu have agreed to serve as investigators for a two year period from February, 2010 to February, 2012.

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

Section I. James D. Shields and Lori Leu are hereby appointed by the City Council to serve as investigators in determining violations of the Code of Conduct of the City of Plano by a City official.

Section II. This Resolution shall become effective immediately after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED this the 8th day of March, 2010.

Phil Dyer, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Diane Zucco, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Diane C. Wetherbee, CITY ATTORNEY