

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL  
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING  
May 29, 2012**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Phil Dyer, Mayor  
Pat Miner, Mayor Pro Tem  
Lissa Smith, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
André Davidson  
James Duggan (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)  
Patrick Gallagher  
Lee Dunlap

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ben Harris

**STAFF PRESENT**

Bruce Glasscock, City Manager  
Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager  
LaShon Ross, Deputy City Manager  
Diane Wetherbee, City Attorney  
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m., Tuesday, May 29, 2012, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. A quorum was present. Mayor Dyer then stated that the Council would retire into Executive Session in compliance with Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in order to consult with an attorney and receive Legal Advice, Section 551.071; and to receive information regarding Economic Development, Section 551.087; and Personnel, Section 551.074 for which a certified agenda will be kept in the office of the City Secretary for a period of two years as required.

Mayor Dyer reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 6:03 p.m.

**Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion:**

Personnel - Designation of Mayor Pro Tem and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem:

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Miner and seconded by Council Member Dunlap, the Council voted 7-0 to designate Lissa Smith as Mayor Pro Tem and Ben Harris as Deputy Mayor Pro Tem.

Appointment/Reappointment of DART Board of Directors

No action was taken.

### Appointment - Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Miner and seconded by Council Member Dunlap, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Olufemi “Femi” Adeoye to an interim term ending October 31, 2013.

### **North Texas Tollway Authority - Overview and Update**

NTTA Board of Directors Vice Chairman Bill Moore spoke to the growth of the system since 1997, roadways under construction, and contributions made for construction of non-toll projects in the region. He spoke to building revenues during operation years and reviewed enhancements including: a fourth lane on the Dallas North Tollway; improvements to the Dallas North Tollway/Bush Turnpike interchange; a fourth lane on the Bush Turnpike; cashless tolling on the Bush Turnpike; and a TxDOT project – US 75 /Bush Turnpike interchange. He responded to Council Member Gallagher regarding enforcement options for those who do not pay tolls.

### **Report Regarding the Citizen Survey**

Karen Falk, Vice President of ETC Institute spoke to the purpose of the survey to objectively assess resident satisfaction with the delivery of City service; gather input from residents to help identify and respond to citizen concerns; compare Plano’s performance with other communities; and set a baseline for future improvement. She reviewed the methodology, survey content, method of administration and response rate, advising that the respondents offered a good representation of the community by race/ethnicity, gender, age, income and location. Ms. Falk reviewed the major findings: residents have a very positive perception of the City; overall satisfaction with City Services is generally the same throughout; Plano is setting the standard for the delivery of local governmental services; and priorities for investment are police services and maintenance of streets/sidewalks. She reviewed other findings related to Live Green in Plano, Environmental Waste Services, Parks and Recreation, and Library Services.

Council Member Dunlap spoke to utilizing the information during the budget process and ensuring that communications are well articulated so that citizens participate in the electoral process. City Manager Glasscock spoke to “telling our story” through new tools offering opportunities to engage citizens and plans to conduct a similar survey in the business community.

### **Comprehensive Monthly Financial Report**

Director of Finance Tacke advised that the April 2012 report finds General Fund revenues up slightly as a percentage of budget as compared to last year while Water and Sewer revenues are down slightly. She stated that actual General Fund revenues are up \$10.6 million, primarily due to an increase in ad valorem taxes and an increase in sales tax resulting from an audit adjustment.

Ms. Tacke also stated revenues were up in court fines, electric and cable franchises, ambulance services, and building permits. Ms. Tacke advised that General, Water & Sewer Fund, and Golf Course Fund expenditures are up slightly as a percentage of budget. She advised that the unemployment rate is down slightly to 6.1% and that sales tax collections for the month of March are down by \$141,000. Ms. Tacke advised that actual revenues for the Water & Sewer Fund are down by \$3.8 million compared to the prior year due to drought conditions and water restrictions while expenses are up by \$5.3 million.

### **Discussion and Direction re Board and Commission Review Committee Recommendations**

Council Member Miner spoke to leveling the playing field for those boards distributing grant funding and removing the “time out” provision for members appointed. Council Member Dunlap spoke to the recommendation that individuals step down from their agency position when appointed to a board/commission. The Council stated a consensus to move forward with the recommendation.

### **Council items for discussion/action on future agendas**

Council Member Miner spoke to attendance by himself and Council Member Duggan at the *Love of the Arts* awards ceremony and receipt of artwork recognizing the City’s support.

### **Consent and Regular Agendas**

Mayor Dyer requested that Consent Agenda Item “D,” consideration of a contract to approve of the selection of Bond and Disclosure Counsel Services for the City, provided by Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith requested that Consent Agenda Item “G,” consideration of a resolution to confirm the appointment of William Peterson as Interim Fire Chief be removed for individual consideration.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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**Phil Dyer, MAYOR**

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Diane Zucco, City Secretary