

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2012**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Phil Dyer, Mayor
Lissa Smith, Mayor Pro Tem
Ben Harris, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Miner
André Davidson
Jim Duggan
Patrick Gallagher
Lee Dunlap

STAFF PRESENT

Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager
LaShon Ross, Deputy City Manager
Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., Monday, December 18, 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 Real Estate, Section 551.072 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 6:26 p.m.

Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion

No items were brought forward.

US-75 Integrated Corridor Management Project

DART Assistant Vice President, Koorosh Olyai spoke to the integrated management of freeway, arterial, transit and parking systems within a corridor and consideration of US-75 based on congestion, population, and employers in the area. He spoke to transportation assets in the corridor and the vision of operating it in a true multimodal, integrated, efficient, and safe fashion where the focus is on the transportation customer.

Mr. Olyai advised regarding the benefits and costs, applications to include responsive traffic signals, monitoring systems, and weather/parking/HOV/freeway management. He spoke to website information, funding received from the US Department of Transportation and improvements in place by April 2013. Mayor Dyer spoke in support of the program and thanked Mr. Olyai for his presentation.

Discussion and Direction re 2013 Bond Referendum Parks and Recreation Projects

Director of Parks and Recreation Fortenberry spoke regarding proposed projects totaling \$52 million: Jack Carpenter Pool renovation (\$7.5 million), High Point Tennis Center renovation (\$2.5 million), Liberty Recreation Center renovation (\$2.5 million), recreation trails (\$10 million), Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve (\$6 million), park improvements (\$7 million), Carpenter Park renovation (\$6 million), Moore Park development (\$6 million), land acquisition (\$2 million) and maintenance facilities(\$2.5 million). She advised regarding additional items to be brought forward in the future and responded to Council Member Gallagher regarding a dog park on the west side of the City. Ms. Fortenberry spoke to remaining 2005 projects including Legacy Trail, maintenance facilities, skate park, and the outdoor center at Oak Point Park, advising that its design is 95% complete and she spoke to finishing remaster planning of the park before moving forward. Mayor Pro Tem Smith spoke to the demand for fitness equipment at Liberty Recreation Center. Ms. Fortenberry advised regarding remaining 2009 projects including trail connections, athletic field renovation/improvements, Douglass Community Center, maintenance facility expansion, land acquisition, Oak Point Park development and recreation center expansion, White Rock Creek Community Park site, Carpenter Park Recreation Center pool and Senior Center expansion. She advised regarding completed projects and the recommendation to focus on the 2005 projects and reduce the proposed list by postponing Liberty Recreation Center renovation, maintenance facilities and land acquisition for a new total of \$45 million.

Ms. Fortenberry spoke regarding the budget impact of \$3.08 million in added operation and maintenance costs (\$23.34/per year for the average home). Mayor Dyer, Mayor Pro Tem Smith and Council Member Miner spoke in support of postponing Moore Park development and moving forward with Liberty Recreation Center renovation. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Harris stated concern regarding outstanding debt from prior years and Ms. Fortenberry spoke to focusing on projects with no operation and maintenance impact, having funds available for land acquisition and ensuring assets are maintained. Director of Budget and Research Rhodes-Whitley advised regarding potential impacts on the debt rate.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas and consideration of the Consent and Regular agendas were considered during the regular meeting. Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Phil Dyer, MAYOR

ATTEST

Diane Zucco, City Secretary