

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
April 27, 2009**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pat Evans, Mayor
Jean Callison, Mayor Pro Tem
Harry LaRosiliere, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Miner
Scott Johnson
Mabrie Jackson
Sally Magnuson
Lee Dunlap

STAFF

Thomas H. Muehlenbeck, City Manager
Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager
Bruce Glasscock, Deputy City Manager
Rod Hogan, Deputy City Manager
Mark Israelson, Assistant City Manager
LaShon Ross, Assistant City Manager
Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m., Monday, April 27, 2009, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Mayor Pro Tem Callison arrived at 5:13 p.m. Mayor Evans 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 discuss Personnel, Section 551.074; and Economic Development, Section 551.087 for which a certified agenda will be kept in the office of the City Secretary for a period of two years as required.

Mayor Evans reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 6:17 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed. All Council Members were present.

Consideration and Action Resulting from Executive Session Discussion:

Personnel – Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- A. Heritage Commission

The Council deferred the appointment at this time.

Personnel - Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- A. Civil Service Commission

City Manager Muehlenbeck recommended appointment of David Michael O'Dens. Upon a motion made by Council Member Dunlap and seconded by Council Member Magnuson, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint David Michael O'Dens.

Comprehensive Monthly Financial Report

Director of Finance Tacke advised that both the General and Water/Sewer Revenue Funds are down as compared to last year even though actual income is greater. She spoke to decreases in the Civic Center and Sustainability Revenue funds and to increased expenditures for water/sewer due to automated meter reading and increased payments to the North Texas Municipal Water District. Ms. Tacke spoke to flat unemployment figures and the downward trend in sales tax collections and single family housing starts. She advised that there is a decline in hotel/motel taxes as compared to prior years and spoke to efforts to diversify the City's assets. Mr. Muehlenbeck spoke to advising arts and historic preservation groups regarding the impact lower hotel/motel revenues would have on their funding.

Mobility Report

Transportation Engineering Manager Neal spoke to monitoring the approach and lane configuration at Parkwood Drive/Nassau Drive, updating of school operations and the 2008 Annual Traffic Safety Report which indicates that the total number of collisions has continued to decline. He spoke to a reduction in fatalities/injuries and responded to Mr. Muehlenbeck regarding the impact of red light cameras. Mr. Neal spoke to visibility of street name plates and the keys to success: emergency response, enforcement, education of pedestrians/bicyclists as well as drivers and engineering.

Discussion Regarding Citizens' Opportunity to Purchase City GO Bonds

David K. Medanich of First Southwest Company spoke to the competitive bid process where bonds are offered for sale at a specific date/time and underwriters try to sell the majority of the issue presale with remaining bonds sold on a "first come, first serve" basis. He spoke regarding negotiated sales where underwriters negotiate the rate and terms with an advisor and can price them either institutionally or by retail. Mr. Medanich advised that the City may request to set aside a number of bonds for residents to be sold at a designated time. He responded to the Council regarding possible public response, the City's AAA bond rating, not limiting the amount that can be purchased by one buyer, factors affecting the choice of how to offer the bonds, and information provided during the sale. Council Member Jackson spoke to consideration for the next bond issuance.

Presentation Regarding NLC Prescription Discount Card Program

Deputy City Manager Glasscock spoke to City participation in the prescription program through the Health Department with minimal impact. He advised that the program would offer an average of 20% savings for prescriptions, there would be no screening of insurance provided by the City, NLC or pharmacies and Mayor Evans spoke to including information that the program is available from a variety of vendors. Mr. Glasscock advised he would review requirements related to utilizing the City's logo and the Council concurred in directing Staff to move forward.

Consideration to Support Jean Callison as a Board Member to the North Central Texas Council of Governments

Mayor Evans spoke to the opportunity to send a representative to the Council of Governments and the recommendation of Mayor Pro Tem Callison to which the Council concurred.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas

No items were discussed.

Consent and Regular

Council Member Dunlap requested Consent Agenda Item "C," Bid No. 2009-100-B for Baffin Bay Drive and Morton Vale Road to JRJ Paving, L.P., in the amount of \$637,033 be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

Council Member Jackson requested that Consent Agenda Item "G," purchase from an existing contract to authorize the renewal of Technical Support Services for PeopleSoft Software License Applications, in the amount of \$157,187 from Oracle, be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest and advised she would be stepping down on Regular Agenda Item "7," a resolution to approve an amendment to the terms and conditions of an Economic Development Incentive Agreement by and between the City of Plano, Texas and Bear Transportation Services, LP due to a possible conflict of interest.

Staff requested Consent Agenda Item "H," to approve a Professional Services Agreement by and between Weibring-Wolfard Golf Design, Inc. and the City of Plano, Texas in the amount of \$876,200 for Pecan Hollow Golf Course Renovation be held until following the May election.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Evans adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Pat Evans, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Diane Zucco, City Secretary