

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
June 14, 2010**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Phil Dyer, Mayor
Lee Dunlap, Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Miner, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Ben Harris
André Davidson
Lissa Smith
Harry LaRosiliere
Jean Callison

STAFF

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

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m., Monday, June 14, 2010, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member Smith. 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/Litigation, and to receive information regarding 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 Dyer reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion:

No items were brought forward.

Personnel Appointments – Plano Housing Authority

Upon a motion made by Council Member LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Callison, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Jeanine Boehl.

Discussion regarding Agreement between the City of Plano and the Boys & Girls Clubs related to the Douglass Community Center

Director of Parks and Recreation Fortenberry advised that the proposed agreement would transfer operation of the Douglass Community Center to the Boys & Girls Clubs for an annual savings of \$493,000. She stated that the Boys & Girls Clubs would provide children and family programs, supervise the game room and gymnasium time, permit seniors to meet twice per week at no charge, set consistent rates for use time, and pay all facility expenses. Ms. Fortenberry spoke to the impact of budget shortfalls on the Parks and Recreation Department including removal of positions and fragmentation of limited resources. She stated that without the agreement, cutbacks in service are forthcoming and spoke to the low attendance for sessions at the center, the current partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs, and meetings held with members of the community. Ms. Fortenberry advised that under the agreement, seniors would manage their own activities and current transportation would be discontinued. She spoke to revised hours of operation and advised the Council that there is not a controlled access system to track attendance. She spoke to potential savings, expansion of nationally known programs for 6-18 year olds, access to tutoring/computer skills, character development, meal opportunities and possible scholarships for children to enter the program.

Tanya Greene of the Boys & Girls Clubs spoke to adaptation of programs, partnerships with the school district, scholarships and the opportunity to serve more children. She spoke to opportunities for improvement to the building, receipt of grants and corporate funding, hours of operation and partnering for special events. Ms. Fortenberry advised that currently 50% of floor space is utilized by the City with the remainder being for the Boys & Girls Clubs. City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to prior discontinuation of transportation services by the Senior Center. Ms. Fortenberry spoke to implementation 30 days from contract execution, reviewed potential City-wide cuts in park services including facility closures during periods of under-utilization and spoke to outings coordinated by the Senior Center. Ms. Fortenberry spoke to consideration of cost containment through contract management of other centers, but stated concern that memberships would not then be recognized at all locations and finding a balance between core values/service levels and profits. Mayor Dyer advised that the Council will consider this item at a future date.

Departmental Report – Public Information

Director of Public Information Conklin spoke to Staff providing web services, public information and Plano Television Network support and embracing new communication methods to provide information to residents in a timely manner. She spoke to outreach including utility bill inserts, public relations campaigns, collaboration with other departments and introduction of Planopedia (an intranet site for employee information).

Ms. Conklin spoke to formation of a multi-department communications team to address the promotion of programs/services and a Web 2.0 Committee to review aspects of City participation in social media. She advised that the City's web site includes 3,159 pages and 14,000 documents and responded to Council Member Harris regarding the continued value of mail-outs.

Council Items for discussion/action on future agendas

Council Member LaRosiliere requested discussion regarding the naming of a library program room in honor of a citizen.

Consent and Regular Agendas

Staff requested that Consent Agenda Item "L," to approve and authorize a contract modification for the purchase of Professional Engineering Services for Screening Wall-Parker & Independence in the amount of \$17,650 from Mandy Vassigh Engineering, Inc. be pulled.

Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap requested that Consent Agenda Item "N," Change Order to Jim Bowman Construction Company, L.P., increasing the contract by \$112,730 for the 2008-2009 Residential Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation, Zone G7 & G8 be pulled for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

Council Member LaRosiliere requested that Consent Agenda Item "P," a resolution to approve the terms and conditions of a Management Services Agreement by and between the City of Plano and Steve Heidelberg to operate and manage Pecan Hollow Golf Course be pulled for individual consideration.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Phil Dyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Zucco, City Secretary