

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
August 10, 2009**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

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 Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m., Monday, August 10, 2009, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Council Member Smith arrived at 5:22 p.m. 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, 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 Dyer reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 5:52 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed:

Consideration and Action Resulting From Executive Session: Personnel Reappointments

Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Miner, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint James Duggan, Christopher J. Caso and Jim Norton.

Personnel: Reappointments/Appointments

Senior Citizens Advisory Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Robert D. Albrecht.

Public Arts Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Callison and seconded by Council Member Smith, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Richard E. Allison and Mary Jo Forbes.

Retirement Security Plan Committee

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap and seconded by Council Member Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Greg Carpenter as an employee member thus confirming City Manager Muehlenbeck's recommendation.

“Plano First” Program

Plano Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Brad Shanklin spoke to the redesign of the program, involvement of the Chamber in supporting the City's economic viability, plans to promote the program, and support received from retailers. Board Member Camille Ussery spoke to the campaign's logo “Plano First – It Makes Cents” and Mr. Shanklin spoke to adaptation for holidays. He responded to the Council advising that no timeframe has been set for the program and spoke to use of the web for promotion, asking the City to provide a link. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap spoke to the benefits to all entities in the community and the Council expressed gratitude for the Chamber's efforts.

Department Report - Sustainability

Director of Environmental Services and Sustainability Nevil advised that there has been a 14% decrease in solid waste tonnage for FY 2008-09 and to payment to the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) based on this figure resulting in a credit of \$675,000 for the City. She spoke to NTMWD projects including construction/debris recovery with the goal to reduce tonnage brought to the site advising that the impact on the City's costs would be significant. Ms. Nevil advised regarding the possible postponement of the Lookout Transfer Station and development of the District's business plan expected in late November.

Ms. Nevil spoke to the City's participation in the RecycleBank Reward Program, its extension to February 2010 in order to more accurately measure participation, impact, and cost. She spoke to work with Homeland Security to develop a Debris Management Plan and the Biomass Facility (compost) providing more efficient operation. Ms. Nevil spoke to increases in product sales, as well as an application to use old fence material and building lumber to create energy. She spoke to efforts to reach the goals of the regional program, internal initiatives related to sustainability, the *Live Green Expo* on April 17, 2010, and the status of the Clean Fleet Strategic Plan to convert refuse vehicles. Ms. Nevil spoke to the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG) to be awarded no later than September 30.

Ms. Nevil spoke to providing environmental education and community outreach, participation of 300 residents in the Energy Efficiency Rebate Program, *Live Green* Volunteers, Plano Community Garden and the North Central Texas Council of Governments Grant Cycle with development of a Plastic Bag Awareness Program. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap spoke regarding compliments received regarding solid waste services in the City.

Facilities Manager Razinha advised the Council that items included in the EECBG application include microturbines to provide on-site power generation for the Municipal Center offering an approximate savings of \$200-300,000 per year in gas/electricity costs; LED parking lot lighting offering a 60% savings in consumption and lower maintenance costs; and a solar hot water heater for the Environmental Education Building to demonstrate benefits for residents. Ms. Nevil advised that all administration costs will be covered under the grant and that as monies are received for the revolving loan program they will be offered to other users. Mayor Dyer recognized the efforts of the departmental staff.

Consideration of 2010 City Council Meeting Dates

The Council rescheduled the December 28, 2010 meeting to Tuesday, December 7, 2010.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas

No items were discussed.

Consent and Regular Agenda

No items were discussed.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Phil Dyer, Mayor

ATTEST

Diane Zucco, City Secretary