

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
November 10, 2008**

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, Executive Director
Bruce Glasscock, Executive Director
Rod Hogan, Executive Director
Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Pro Tem Callison called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m., Monday, November 10, 2008, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present with the exception of Mayor Evans. Mayor Pro Tem Callison 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, to discuss Personnel, Section 551.074 and further to discuss 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 Pro Tem Callison reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 6:42 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed:

**Consideration and Action Resulting from Executive Session Discussion:
Personnel Reappointments/Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaRosiliere, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Tracey S. Dry to a term expiring October 2010.

Personnel Reappointments/Appointments

Community Relations Commission

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Magnuson, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Pamela S. Harvey as Chair and upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Magnuson, the Council further voted 7-0 to appoint Linda S. Hester to a term expiring October 2010.

Cultural Affairs Commission

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Magnuson, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Christopher Griffith as Chair and further deferred appointment of a member.

Public Arts Committee

The Council deferred appointments to this committee.

Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone No. 1 Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Johnson, and seconded by Council Member Magnuson, the Council voted 7-0 to appoint Holly Stone Parmelee to a term expiring October 2010.

Comprehensive Monthly Financial Report

Director of Finance Tacke spoke to the September 2008 report which includes increases in General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund revenues, an increase in unemployment rates, a decrease in sales tax revenue as compared to September 2007, a decline in housing starts, no significant fluctuations in hotel/motel taxes and a continued liquidity in investments. City Manager Muehlenbeck advised that this report does not represent the audited year-end figures and Ms. Tacke advised those will be coming forward in January 2009.

Discussion and Direction Regarding 2009 Bond Referendum

Director of Budget and Research Rhodes-Whitley spoke to a proposed referendum in the amount of \$164 million consisting of Public Safety projects (\$31.9 million), library improvements (\$1.7 million), Plano Centre expansion (\$20 million), park improvements (\$51.5 million), recreation center (\$24.1 million) and street improvements (\$34.7 million). She advised that projects are preliminary and spoke to the omission of 2% for public art, property values remaining flat for 2009-10 with increases of 1% in 2010-11 and 2% in 2011-2013, new growth of \$700 million in 2009-10, \$550 million in 2010-11 and \$250 million in 2011-2013.

Ms. Rhodes-Whitley advised that the 2008-09 budget assumes approximately \$22.97 million in existing authority to be sold with \$6.29 million in Certificate of Obligation(CO)/Tax Notes. She spoke to \$34.7 million in existing authority with \$10.7 million in CO/Tax Notes in 2009-10 and issuance of \$6.6 million for the performing arts facility. Ms. Rhodes-Whitley spoke to the current O&M tax rate of 32.68 cents and the assumption that in 2009-10 there will be an increase due to additional debt requirements. She spoke to assumptions including no reference to a future bond referendum and a projected total tax rate impact based on the amount of authority issued, O&M, and all remaining authority and existing debt. Ms. Rhodes-Whitley advised regarding the impact on the tax rate and capital reserve and reviewed key dates.

Ms. Rhodes-Whitley responded to the Council regarding the debt repayment schedule, City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to having no indication what future interest rates might be, and Director of Finance Tacke advised that if reserves are maintained, additional debt should not have an impact on bond ratings received by the City.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas

No items were brought forward

Consent and Regular Agenda

City Secretary Zucco advised that Council Member Dunlap requested Consent Agenda Item "F," Bid No. 2008-227-B for 2008-2009 Arterial Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation Project – Legacy Drive – Preston Road to SH 121 to Smith Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$293,485 be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

City Secretary Zucco advised that Council Member Jackson requested Consent Agenda Item "I," to approve the purchase of a Premier Support Service Contract in the amount of \$65,010 from Microsoft Corporation through a State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) contract be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Pro Tem Callison adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Jean Callison, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST

Diane Zucco, City Secretary