

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL  
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING  
March 6, 2012**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**STAFF PRESENT**

Bruce Glasscock, City Manager  
Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager  
LaShon Ross, Deputy City Manager  
Victoria Huynh, Deputy City Attorney  
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., Tuesday, March 6, 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 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 6:15 p.m.

**Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion**

No items were brought forward.

**ICMA Performance Measurement Process**

Director of Budget and Research Rhodes-Whitley spoke regarding participation by the City of Plano in the Texas Performance Measurement Consortium and incorporating information into the 2012-13 budget process. Budget Manager Srader spoke to participating departments including Police, Fire, Human Resources, Solid Waste, Libraries, Facilities, Parks and Recreation, Fleet, Code Enforcement, Housing, Engineering, Technology Services, Risk Management, and Planning. He spoke to analysis of data provided and benefits including: determining practices found to contribute to high performance, information sharing, data analysis, identifying agencies that are "the best in the business" in a specific area, and training on performance management. Mr. Srader responded to the Council, advising that a lack of resources may preclude some municipalities from participating. He spoke to positive comparisons for the City of Plano in the areas of Public Works and Police.

Director of Sustainability and Environmental Services Nevil advised that trash collection in Plano is done on an allocation basis and spoke to the City's recycling agreement and sales as possible reasons for Plano's lower overall costs. Mr. Srader spoke to future participation in reporting sustainability activity and advised that information is available online. City Manager Glasscock spoke to utilizing data as a tool during the budget process.

### **Discussion and Direction Regarding Board/Commission Annual Appointment Process**

City Secretary Zucco advised regarding the calendar of events for the process. Mayor Dyer spoke to determining sessions for the Board and Commission Review Committee. The Council stated a consensus to keep reappointments in June, provide notification to citizens via email and small utility flyers and to hold two receptions in August.

### **Discussion and Direction Regarding 2012-2013 Budget Process**

City Manager Glasscock advised the Council that departments will be requested to provide decision packages focusing on service levels and advising how reductions may impact the quality of specific services. He responded to the Council, advising that budget recommendations will be brought forward.

### **Discussion and Direction Regarding Neighborhood Roundtable Format**

City Manager Glasscock spoke to a decline in attendance and the potential to revert back to a format in which attendees are broken into small groups for discussion. Council Member Harris spoke in support of more informal sessions and to encouraging attendance from all parts of the City. He recommended two per year in the current format and two with a more informal "meet and greet" format. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Smith spoke to redefining the sessions as "town hall meetings." Council Member Dunlap spoke to citizens' desire to articulate their concerns in a public forum as one reason behind the change to the current program. He spoke to focusing on topics and the repetitive nature of the current sequence of sessions. Mayor Dyer spoke to providing an informational overview followed by interaction between individual attendees and Council/Staff. Council Member Davidson spoke to beginning dialogues with questionnaires and balancing the needs of attendees. Mr. Glasscock spoke to utilizing technology to achieve a more interactive approach, moving forward with town hall meetings as recommended and reviewing the outcome at the end of the year.

### **Council items for discussion/action on future agendas**

No items were discussed.

### **Consent and Regular Agendas**

Staff requested Consent Agenda Item "F", approving a contract for the purchase of wireless communication services in the amount of \$144,882 from Blackboard Inc. be removed for individual consideration.

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

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**Phil Dyer, MAYOR**

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Diane Zucco, City Secretary