

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
October 12, 2015**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Harry LaRosiliere, Mayor
Lissa Smith, Mayor Pro Tem
Ben Harris, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Angela Miner
Rick Grady
Ron Kelley
Tom Harrison
David Downs

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce Glasscock, City Manager
Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager
LaShon Ross, Deputy City Manager
Jim Parrish, Deputy City Manager
Mark Israelson, Assistant City Manager
Jack Carr, Assistant City Manager
Paige Mims, City Attorney
Lisa C. Henderson, City Secretary

Mayor LaRosiliere called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., Monday, October 12, 2015, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. A quorum was present. Mayor LaRosiliere 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 receive information regarding Economic Development, Section 551.087; Real Estate, Section 552.072 and Personnel, Section 551.074; for which a certified agenda will be kept in the office of the City Secretary for a period of two years as required.

Mayor LaRosiliere reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 5:46 p.m. in the Senator Florence Shapiro Council Chambers.

**Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion
Personnel – Appointments/Reappointments**

Heritage Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Downs and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Lisa Fox as Chair and appoint Joyce Beach as a member.

Planning and Zoning Commission

The Council deferred appointment of a Chair.

Personnel – Appointments/Reappointments

Photographic Traffic Signal Advisory Committee

Upon a motion made by Mayor LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Grady, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Robert Drotman as Chair. Upon a motion made by Mayor LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Downs, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Natalie Crawford as Vice-Chair.

Senior Citizens Advisory Board

The Council deferred appointment of a Chair.

Discussion and direction re: Water and Sewer Rate Increase

Director of Budget and Research Rhodes-Whitley spoke to the water and sewer rate philosophy regarding increases and offset of increases, revenue neutrality, equity in cost recovery, and promotion of conservation. She added the proposal includes an increase in the \$7.50 rate tier from 30,000 gallons to 40,000 gallons. Ms. Rhodes-Whitley advised that North Texas Municipal Water District has proposed increasing water costs 10% and sewer costs 22% and discussed the Take-or-Pay agreement with the City incurring a cost of \$18,000,000 for undelivered water.

Ms. Rhodes-Whitley stated the recommended rate beginning November 1st for water maintains the minimum base rate, increases volumetric tiers by 11.1% to 11.9%, increases the 30,000 gallon tier to 40,000 gallons; the recommended rate for sewer maintains the base rate and a 13.7% increase in the volumetric tiers. She provided a rate comparison with area cities and stated the average residential customer will be impacted \$8.67 per month and the average commercial customer will be impacted \$25.24 per month. Ms. Rhodes-Whitley stated the low-end (5,000 gallons) residential customer will be impacted \$3.72 per month and approximately one-third of residential customers fall into this category.

Jack Carter Pool Construction Update

Director of Parks and Recreation Fortenberry provided an update on the Jack Carter Pool project. She stated the project was approved as a Construction Manager at Risk project with Phase 1 approved with a not to exceed amount of \$1.6 million. Ms. Fortenberry discussed the work that has been completed and provided details of the overall project including the features designed to address the underserved teen group. She advised since the project began construction costs have steadily increased causing Phases 2 and 3 to be over budget and a value engineering process has reduced expenses \$610,000. Ms. Fortenberry stated staff recommends utilizing the Recreation Revolving Fund to cover the funding gap of \$1.075 million to keep the project on track allowing to the facility to open next summer.

Jack Carter Pool Construction Update (Cont'd.)

City Manager Glasscock stated this may become an ongoing problem as construction costs are rising and it is increasing difficult get adequate bids on construction projects. In response to Council Member Downs request for clarification on Phases 2 and 3, Ms. Fortenberry explained the components of each phase were distributed differently adjusting the cost of each phase. Council Member Harrison expressed concern about the Senior Center Project possible increases in construction costs and inquired about the criteria for using the revolving fund. Ms. Fortenberry explained the Senior Center was in the design phase and the fund can be used for projects that facilitate programming. In response to Mayor LaRosiliere, Ms. Fortenberry stated the Recreation Revolving Fund uses a program fee formula to cover program and ancillary costs and that \$50,000 to \$100,000 is deposited into the fund annually.

Consent and Regular Agendas

No items were discussed.

Council Items for Discussion/Action on Future Agendas

No items were discussed.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor LaRosiliere adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Harry LaRosiliere, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lisa C. Henderson, City Secretary