

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
Preliminary Open Meeting**

September 10, 2001

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jeran Akers, Mayor
Rick Neudorff, Mayor Pro tem
Phil Dyer, Deputy Mayor Pro tem
Shep Stahel
Pat Evans
Steve Stovall
John R. Roach, Jr.
Ken Lambert

STAFF

Thomas H. Muehlenbeck, City Manager
Frank Turner, Executive Director
Bruce Glasscock, Executive Director/Police Chief
Rod Hogan, Executive Director
Diane Wetherbee, City Secretary
Elaine Bealke, City Secretary

Mayor Pro tem Neudorff called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., Monday, September 10, 2001, in the Council Conference Room of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Council Member Roach arrived at 5:14 p.m. and Mayor Akers arrived at 5:17 p.m.

Mayor Pro tem Neudorff 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, discuss matters of Real Estate, Section 551.072, and to discuss matters of Personnel, Section 551.074 for which a certified agenda is required and will be kept in the office of the City Secretary for a period of two years.

Mayor Akers reconvened the meeting back into open session in the Council Chambers at 5:44 p.m. in order to discuss the following items:

Consideration and Action Resulting From Executive Session Discussion: Personnel

For purposes of uniformity, action identifying appointment of chair positions for the following boards and commissions are reflected together with the member appointments and not immediately following as actually occurred.

Board of Adjustment

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer and seconded by Council Member Lambert, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Michael Broderick and Myron Shemek as regular members and Chris Polito to an interim position and as an alternate member.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer and seconded by Council Member Stovall the Council voted 8-0 to name Jackie Westbrook as chair.

Building Standards Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Jim Degnan an alternate member.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to name Nicholas Nash as chair.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer, the Council voted 8-0 to name Jim McGee as Chair.

Discussion and Direction Regarding Voting and Alternate Voting Delegate for National League of Cities Annual Conference, December 4 – 8, 2001.

City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to the National League of Cities conference and City representation and to selecting a voting delegate and alternate voting delegate. After a brief discussion, Mayor Akers advised that Mayor Pro tem Neudorff and Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer would be the voting delegate and alternate voting delegate (in that order).

Personnel Appointments

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

Council Member Evans stated that no openings exist.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer, the Council voted 8-0 to name Patricia Ann Cole as Chair.

Civil Service Commission

Mayor Akers stated that no openings exist.

Community Relations Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Christy Tomlinson Doering, John Darren Harris, Warner Richeson, and Jane A. Stephenson.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer the Council voted 8-0 to name Betty Monday-Mahan as chair.

Cultural Affairs Commission

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Beth O'Neal and Marianne A. Smith.

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer and seconded by Council Member Stovall, the Council voted 8-0 to name Elena Rohweder as chair.

Heritage Commission

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Larry J. Keen and Melissa McCormick O'Neal.

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer, the Council voted 8-0 to name Lisette Briley as chair.

Keep Plano Beautiful Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Roach and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer the Council voted 8-0 to appoint C. Edwin Nalley and Randall C. Roe.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Roach and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name Evelyn Sandberg as chair.

Library Advisory Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Roach and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Joseph Holmes and Kathleen Kuenzer.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Roach and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name Frederic Frawley as chair.

Parks and Recreation Planning Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Roach and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Karen Bellessa.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name R. Guy Wormald as chair.

Plano Housing Authority

Upon a motion made by Mayor Akers and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Myrtle Hightower as member and Leticia Perez as resident member.

Plano Transition and Revitalization Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and seconded by Council Member Roach, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Russell Charles Kissick.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name Jim Biggerstaff as chair.

Public Arts Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stovall and seconded by Council Member Lambert, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint David G. Wille.

The Council determined that the Cultural Affairs Commission will make a recommendation as to who their representative might be on the Public Arts Committee.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stovall and seconded by Council Member Lambert, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Janet Miller as member and Chair.

Retirement Security Plan

Upon a motion made by Council Member Lambert and seconded by Council Member Stahel the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Kien Liew.

Self Sufficiency Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stovall and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Kimberly S. Daly, Yolanda Daniels Cooper, Patricia Landgren, Sheri Snow, Donald A. Still, and Rudolfo Villarreal, III.

Council Member Stovall advised that appointment of a chair will be delayed until the next Council meeting.

Senior Citizens Advisory Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Lambert and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Marsha Koca to an interim term and Carola Rothschild to a full term.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Lambert and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name Eugene McGreal as chair.

Technology Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stovall and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Jeff Gardner and David Edwards.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stovall and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name James Ryan as chair.

Transportation Advisory Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Lambert and seconded by Council Member Roach, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Julie Prince to an interim term and Elizabeth Metting to a full term.

Upon a motion made by Council Member Lambert and seconded by Mayor Pro tem Neudorff, the Council voted 8-0 to name Joseph Celso as chair.

Mayor Akers advised that due to a conflict of interest he would step down from the bench on the following item.

Tax Increment Financing Board #2 Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and seconded by Council Member Roach, the Council voted seven (7) to none (0) to appoint Nathan LaFate Brinkley.

Mayor Akers returned to his place at the bench.

Discussion and Direction on Forming A Committee to Formulate a Policy for Council Approval for the Naming and/or Renaming of Public Facilities.

Council Member Lambert spoke to concerns regarding forming a committee to address a street renaming policy and recommended reaffirming the tradition that national persons not be used, and further spoke to a monument or walk of fame area and requested that consideration of this item be sent to the Parks and Recreation Planning Board (Park Board) for discussion. He further stated that the Council not be asked to rename streets.

Council Member Stahel spoke in support of creating a place to honor multiple individuals, stated that renaming existing streets is not a good method and concurred to send consideration of this request to the Park Board to determine a place of honor and to develop a naming policy with regard to recommending several names per year. Mr. Stahel advised that he is also opposed to the dual naming of streets and stated that it imposes an economic hardship on businesses and spoke to the possibility of a memorial type park and making this a place to visit.

Council Member Stovall spoke to the use of parks and to people who have had a direct impact upon this city, and to not renaming streets, parks or public buildings and that he concurred with Mr. Lambert's recommendation. He spoke to having a place to honor national and/or international heroes that have particular significance to one or more groups.

Mayor Pro tem Neudorff spoke to this issue as having been divisive to the community, to a possible endeavor for the Public Arts Committee to address, and in support of Mr. Lambert's recommendation. He further recommended that there be an integrated policy in writing to address similar type requests in the future.

Council Member Roach spoke to being clear as to exactly what this policy will address, to this incident as being divisive, the importance in honoring individuals, and in support of the Park Board addressing this issue.

Mayor Akers advised that those who have spoken tonight have been in support of Council Member Lambert's recommendation and further stated that an ad hoc committee will not be named.

Council Member Lambert spoke in support of a resolution to outline the policy to not rename streets or to dual name streets in the City for national heroes, spoke to being in support of Mr. Stahel's recommendation to not rename a street for any individual, and to the City Manager and Parks and Recreation Director Wendell bringing back instructions after reviewing input and determining specific directions.

Council Member Lambert spoke to the possibility of the Park Board forming an ad hoc committee if they saw fit to do so and to the board possibly holding a Public Hearing for citizen input, and further spoke to the Public Arts Committee becoming involved.

Deputy Mayor Pro tem Dyer spoke to caution in the spending of public money and to possibly receiving outside monies. Mr. Lambert spoke to funding participation from the community involved in the request.

Council Member Stovall spoke to the Park Board and the Public Arts Committee working together, choosing a park location that has sufficient space, and to not placing too many restraints on the individuals addressing this policy.

Council Member Stahel spoke to the Park Board taking the lead in this endeavor and to leaving it up to them as to whether or not another committee is brought in.

Mayor Akers reiterated that it is the intent of the Council that this request be sent to the Park Board to address, and that a resolution be brought back for consideration regarding renaming streets.

Council Items for Discussion/Action on Future Agendas

Council Member Lambert spoke to the Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition and a resolution to support Proposition 15 which represents bond sales for roads and stated that TEX21 has taken the position of endorsing Propositions 2 and 15 as separate items. Mr. Lambert requested that a resolution be placed on the next Council agenda. Mayor Akers and Council Member Roach spoke to this item being placed on items for individual consideration and to discussion from the citizens.

Council Member Stovall spoke to consideration of Federal Communications Commission inquiries on high-speed internet access, spoke to Staff working on this, and to this being placed on the next Council agenda. City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to the Technology Commission receiving authority to review this item and forwarding recommendations on behalf of the City. Mr. Stovall spoke to a draft being made available to the Council before submission.

Consent and Regular Agenda

City Manager Muehlenbeck advised Council Member Lambert regarding Consent Item "M", ordinance to adopt the International Fire Code and stated that inspection fees reflected are current fees.

Council Member Evans requested that Consent Item "F", Bid for Plano Parkway landscaping, be removed for individual consideration.

Mayor Akers advised that he would be stepping down from Consent Item "T", contract for landscape architectural services in Haggard Park, due to a conflict of interest.

Council Reports

None were given.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Akers recessed the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Jeran Akers, **MAYOR**

Rick Neudorff, **MAYOR PRO TEM**

ATTEST:

Elaine Bealke, **City Secretary**