

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL  
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING  
April 9, 2007**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Pat Evans, Mayor  
Scott Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem  
Sally Magnuson, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
Shep Stahel  
Loretta Ellerbe  
Harry LaRosiliere  
Jean Callison  
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 Evans called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m., Monday, April 9, 2007, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Mayor Evans 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 and discuss Litigation, Section 551.071 and also discuss 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 Evans reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed:

**Consideration and Action Resulting From Executive Session Discussion - Personnel Appointments**

DART Board of Directors

Upon a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Magnuson and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Melinda S. Paulk to an interim term expiring in July of 2008.

### North Texas Municipal Water District Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and a second by Council Member Ellerbe, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Jerry E. Yancey to a two-year term expiring in May of 2009.

### **Personnel Appointments**

#### Public Arts Committee – Chair

Upon a motion made by Council Member Ellerbe and a second by Council Member Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Robert B. Drotman as an interim Chair to the Public Arts Committee.

#### Keep Plano Beautiful Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Stahel and a second by Council Member Ellerbe, the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Christopher L. White to an interim term expiring in October of 2008.

### **Emergency Notification System**

Public Safety Communications Director Timmons spoke regarding the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first 9-1-1 call received in Plano. He spoke to the Warning Annex administered by Plano's Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security recognizing that Public Safety Communications is responsible for alerting the public in times of emergency. Mr. Timmons spoke to recognition of Plano as a *StormReady Community* by the National Weather Service based on monitoring capabilities and means to notify the public regarding appropriate actions. He spoke regarding recent tornado activity in the area, a guide for citizens regarding actions to take in an emergency and monitoring of situations by Public Safety Communications Staff. Mr. Timmons spoke to the variety of warning methods including the Emergency Alert System, Plano Television Network and weather radios. He spoke regarding the outdoor warning system and a proposed telephone notification system which is well suited for a limited area or disaster recovery phase. Mr. Timmons spoke to citizens utilizing an "all-hazards" alert radio.

### **Proposed Projects for Collin County 2007 Bond Referendum**

City Engineer Upchurch advised the Council that the county has proposed a bond referendum for the fall, a committee made up of citizens will begin formulating recommendations to come forward to the commissioner's court for approval, and that the City has been requested to provide a potential list of projects for consideration. He spoke to prior county participation in projects and advised that projects include rehabilitation and intersection improvements. Mr. Upchurch spoke to Plano receiving a fair share and to prior allocations.

Mr. Upchurch responded to the Council, advising that a list of committee members will be forthcoming. Council Member Stahel requested updating the reference to Spring Creek Parkway from Park Boulevard to Parker Road and consideration of intersection improvements for a left-turn lane from southbound Spring Creek Parkway to eastbound Parker Road. Mr. Upchurch spoke to consideration of intersection improvements and the limited right-of-way that can be acquired at some “interior” locations and to the timetable for the bond referendum. He spoke to review of projects, advised that the list represents potential projects and spoke to continued discussion by the county commissioners regarding “pass through” financing which is limited to state highway projects. Mr. Upchurch advised that in the past, the county has favored new construction and spoke regarding prioritization.

### **Council Items for Discussion/Action on Future Agendas**

Mayor Evans spoke regarding consideration of retail zoning in and around the Research/Technology (R/T) Zoning District at an upcoming Council meeting. She spoke to development by other cities in the area and Council consideration with recommendations forwarded to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Council Member Callison spoke to receiving information regarding retail on the ground and zoned throughout the City as well as in the R/T District. Council Member Stahel spoke to development by other cities and issues considered at the time the district was created. Mayor Evans spoke to vacant land in the area and opportunities and to receiving information from the Economic Development Board. Council Member LaRosiliere spoke to receiving information on the occupancy of the R/T District with regard to businesses and employees. Mayor Evans spoke to considering the entire district.

### **Consent and Regular Agendas**

Council Member Dunlap advised that he will be stepping down on Regular Agenda “4,” an appeal of the Planning and Zoning Commission’s Denial of Zoning Case 2006-36 due to a possible conflict of interest.

Council Member Stahel advised that he will be stepping down on Consent Agenda Item “G,” purchase of the Communicator!NXT and GeoCastWeb; “H,” purchase of maintenance and support for the network infrastructure servers; “I,” approval of the fifth year of a five-year Maintenance Agreement with eVerge Group of Texas, Ltd.; and “Q,” a resolution to approve Plano Public Library System to purchase the Polaris® Integrated Library System (ILS) due to possible conflicts of interest.

### **Council Reports**

No reports were given.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

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**Pat Evans, Mayor**

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Diane Zucco, City Secretary