

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL  
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING  
August 13, 2007**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Pat Evans, Mayor  
Sally Magnuson, Mayor Pro Tem  
Jean Callison, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
Shep Stahel  
Scott Johnson  
Loretta Ellerbe  
Harry LaRosiliere  
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 5:11 p.m., Monday, August 13, 2007, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present with the exception of Council Member LaRosiliere who arrived at 6:14 p.m. 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 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 Evans reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 6:14 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed:

**Consideration and Action Resulting From Executive Session**

No items were brought forward for consideration.

**Personnel – Reappointments**

Heritage Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Dunlap and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Jim Hiegel, Douglas B. Cargo and Janice Cline.

### Plano Housing Authority

Upon a motion made by Mayor Evans and seconded by Council Member Dunlap, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Ernest Burke and Myrtle Hightower.

### Public Arts Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Ellerbe and seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Joseph P. Connolly, Mary Jo Forbes, Vincent Bush and Maury Hal Marcus.

### Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone – No. 2 Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member LaRosiliere and seconded by Council Member Dunlap, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Russell G. Coolik, Lana G. Douglas, Shawn Gay, Chris Hatcher, Alan Johnson, Chuck O'Reilly, James F. Schell and Stefani Williams Overton.

### Transition & Revitalization Commission

Upon a motion made by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member LaRosiliere, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Stan Adler.

### **Discussion and Direction Regarding the Naming of a City Park in the Northeast Area of Plano**

City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to renaming the Chaparral Road Athletic Site for Mrs. Moore and her son W. Lee Moore and to recognizing the Prince family by placement of a plaque along the hike and bike trail in Oak Point Park adjacent to the pecan orchard Mr. Prince's family helped to establish. He spoke to the donations in excess of 30 acres made to the City's park system by W. Lee Moore and his mother Margaret Ketron Moore. Mr. Muehlenbeck spoke to the influence and dedication shown by Mr. Moore and Dexter Prince on behalf of the City in negotiating with neighbors and friends for acquisition of other park land including the majority of Oak Point Park, land near the Outdoor Learning Center and in the area of the Muncy Family Massacre of 1844.

The Council stated consensus in directing Staff to move forward with a resolution.

### **Discussion and Direction Regarding the Naming of a City Park in the North Central Area of Plano**

City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to naming the park site occupied by the Ridgeview Golf Course on behalf of former City Manager David A. Griffin who served from 1972 until 1985. He stated that the golf course would not change its name, but the property would be named.

Mr. Muehlenbeck spoke to significant events that occurred in the City during Mr. Griffin's tenure including the population explosion, introduction of the Volunteers in Plano Program, cable television being brought to the City, and work on Fire Stations 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. He spoke to the expansion of the municipal center, land rezoned for Legacy Park, plans for the extension of the Dallas North Tollway, Collin Creek Mall, cooperative relationships developed with PISD for acquisition and joint use of facilities, completion of the first Park Master Plan, acquisition of park land and establishment of the parks system framework. He advised that the area designated would be larger than the golf course and would be designated by signage.

The Council stated consensus in directing Staff to move forward with a resolution.

### **Presentation Regarding Moto-Mesh Installation**

Director of Technology Services Stephens spoke to implementing a Citywide wireless mesh network, allowing mobile and remote connectivity for City employees, and providing redundancy to the existing land-based network. He spoke to connecting the water towers (DragonWave) and access points (Motorola Canopy) and advised that one bandwidth would be used for Public Safety and another for other City Services. Mr. Stephens spoke to current and planned coverage with three more sites in place by January 2008 and infill of neighborhoods by December 2008. He spoke to applications utilized by Public Safety as well as traffic control, Building Inspections, facilities management and meter reading.

Mayor Evans thanked Staff for their efforts and Mr. Stephens advised the Council that the system is intended for City government use, has an 8-10 year life cycle and spoke to the system being utilized in the event of a natural disaster. Mr. Stephens responded to Council Member Stahel that this is one way to address communication interoperability and that the City can work with neighboring municipalities to further develop solutions.

### **Review of Temporary Signs Ordinance Concerning Open House Signs**

Chief Building Official Mata provided a report regarding the open house sign ordinance, advising that Staff does not verify that owners have given permission for placement of signs and that no complaints have been received in that regard. He spoke to complaints during early implementation, positive feedback from real estate agents, the reduction in signs picked up and provided information regarding the reduction in overall signage during the year.

Gerald Vokolek, representing the Collin County Association of Realtors, spoke to educating realtors, posting information to their web site and requested the Council continue the ordinance in place. He spoke to the reduction in inventory and encouraging the sale of homes in the City. Mr. Vokolek responded to the Council regarding how realtors are advised of signs placed in violation and addressing those who list in Plano infrequently. Mr. Mata responded to the Council regarding the difficulty in determining which realtor has placed signs. Mayor Evans stated that the ordinance seems to be working and the number of signs is declining. Council Member Dunlap spoke regarding self regulation and the Council spoke to the item coming back should any problems arise.

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

No items were discussed.

### **Consent and Regular Agendas**

Council Member Dunlap requested that Consent Agenda Item "E," Bid No. 2007-177-B 2006-2007 Sidewalk and Barrier Free Ramp Construction Project to Jim Bowman Construction Company, L.P. in the amount of \$253,048; be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

City Manager Muehlenbeck requested that Regular Agenda Item "6" an ordinance to repeal City of Plano Ordinances codified as Article VI, Historic Landmark Preservation and adopting new and amended provisions for Heritage Resource Preservation; be pulled and rescheduled for the August 27, 2007, Council Meeting.

### **Council Reports**

Council Member Dunlap spoke to Mayor Evans' appearance at the Transportation Summit and her discussion of revitalization of roads, streets and infrastructure. He spoke to presentations made regarding light and passenger rail in North Texas advising that this will be covered in the upcoming joint retreat with the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Council Member Ellerbe spoke regarding completion of an agreement with the North Texas Tollway Authority, issues related to distribution of monies and deduction of costs for construction of a portion of roadway. She spoke to the level of tolltags in Collin County and donations of right-of-way for the Dallas North Tollroad when it was being considered as a "free road." Ms. Ellerbe responded to Council Member Johnson regarding work towards allocation based on the number of tollroad users. Mr. Johnson spoke to allocation of funds for rehabilitation.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Evans adjourned the Preliminary Meeting directly into the Regular Meeting at 7:06 p.m.

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**Pat Evans, Mayor**

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**Diane Zucco, City Secretary**