

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDTABLE
DISTRICT THREE
May 25, 2006**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pat Evans, Mayor
Scott Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem
Sally Magnuson, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Shep Stahel
Loretta Ellerbe
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Rod Hogan, Executive Director
Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
Elaine Bealke, City Secretary

The Plano City Council met informally at 7:05 p.m., Thursday, May 25, 2006, at Davis Library, Program Room, 7501 Independence Parkway, Plano, Texas. All Council Members were present. Mayor Evans arrived at 7:10 p.m. and Council Member Stahel arrived at 7:14 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Johnson welcomed those in attendance, introduced members of the Council and identified the Council districts. He spoke regarding Council Members being elected and serving the City at large and the benefits provided.

Director of Public Works Foster provided an overview of the Stage 3 portion of the Drought Contingency Plan.

Mayor Evans advised regarding the questions for the meeting after which time those in attendance broke into groups for discussion.

Do you agree that traffic, crime, development and property standards enforcement are still the most important issues? What other issues should be included or replace these?

Under the basic issues of traffic, crime, development, and property standards enforcement identified on the list of discussion questions, citizens spoke regarding issues of traffic enforcement as a major concern, traffic flow, speeding in general and in the alleys, running of red lights, traffic signal timing at intersections, crosswalk and school zone problems, and vehicles parking on narrow streets.

Citizens spoke to vandalism and criminal mischief, and to crime being dealt with but remaining a pressing issue. Citizens spoke to property standards enforcement in declining areas of the City, redevelopment being an issue, encouraging environmental programs, and to animal control issues.

Citizens spoke to addressing new issues regarding bike paths and applicable usage, addressing storm water run-off, solicitation notices, encouraging environmental programs, and to problems with litter in the City.

Can you suggest other ways to improve the existing communications options?

Citizens spoke to communicating enforcement issues and to using e-mail, the internet web site, and utility bill inserts more often as communication tools. Citizens spoke to Staff remaining available to the public, and stated that overall communication efforts are good.

Do you feel you are getting a fair return on your tax investment? Where would you like to see additional services? Are you willing to pay for increased property taxes to pay for additional services? If not, would you want services reduced and if so, which services?

Citizens spoke to a responsive Staff, good e-mail communication, and the Park Department as being good returns on the tax investment. Citizens spoke to issues with neighboring school district taxes, and to being satisfied with things overall.

Mayor Evans thanked those in attendance for their input and stated that issues will be summarized and responses forthcoming from Staff. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Pat Evans, **Mayor**

Scott Johnson, **Mayor Pro Tem**

Attest

Elaine Bealke, City Secretary