

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
May 26, 2009**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Phil Dyer, Mayor
Jean Callison, Mayor Pro Tem
Harry LaRosiliere, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
Pat Miner
Ben Harris
Mabrie Jackson
Lissa Smith
Lee Dunlap

Designation of Mayor Pro Tem and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

Harry LaRosiliere, Mayor Pro Tem
Lee Dunlap, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

STAFF

Thomas H. Muehlenbeck, City Manager
Frank Turner, Deputy City Manager
Bruce Glasscock, Deputy City Manager
Rod Hogan, Deputy City Manager
Mark Israelson, Assistant City Manager
LaShon Ross, Assistant City Manager
Diane C. Wetherbee, City Attorney
Diane Zucco, City Secretary

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2009, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Mayor Dyer 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; and to discuss Personnel, Section 551.074; and 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 Dyer reconvened the meeting back into the Preliminary Open Meeting at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers where the following matters were discussed:

**Consideration and Action Resulting From Executive Session
Personnel: Mayor Pro Tem and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem**

Upon a motion made by Council Member Callison and seconded by Council Member Miner the Council voted 8-0 to appoint Council Member LaRosiliere as Mayor Pro Tem and Council Member Dunlap as Deputy Mayor Pro Tem.

Asset Management Program - GHD Consulting, Inc.

Wayne Francisco of GHD Consulting, Inc. spoke to asset management as a strategic and systematic application of practices applied to the infrastructure of the City (water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater systems, parks/recreation, and facilities) to minimize costs of acquisition, operation and maintenance and to improve and renew assets. He spoke to increasing costs as the City approaches build-out and to the impact of economics. Mr. Francisco advised the Council of the recommendation to implement the action plan including three full-time positions and the alternative which would focus on data and involve one full-time position.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Upchurch spoke to constraints on the budget but expressed interest in practicing approaches detailed in the process. Mayor Dyer spoke to the importance of maintaining infrastructure and facilities and requested the information be kept available for future use. The Council concurred to receive the report and place implementation on hold until resources allow.

Mobility Report

Transportation Engineering Manager Neal spoke to traffic signal construction at Ohio Drive/S.H. 121, a temporary four-way stop at McDermott Road and Robinson Road during intersection reconstruction and impact on the location, signal design at Parkwood Boulevard and Windhaven Road and cooperation with the Plano Independent School District to address safety issues. He responded to Council Member Jackson regarding the progress of the Michigan Left-Turn lane and parking issues at Carlisle Elementary. Mr. Neal responded to Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap regarding the Dallas North Tollway/S.H. 190 intersection improvements advising that they are on hold until card readers are established and Mr. Dunlap requested an update on ramp locations. Mr. Neal provided information on determining speed limits on roadways through the City and advised that a speed limit survey report will be presented to the Council later in the year. The Council requested information on the Michigan Left-Turn lane be posed on the City's web site.

Comprehensive Monthly Financial Report

Director of Finance Tacke spoke to an increase in actual General Revenue and Water/Sewer Funds although the percentages of budget as compared to last year are down. She spoke to declines in Civic Center and Sustainability revenue and increases in General Fund and Water/Sewer expenditures. Ms. Tacke spoke to the downward trend in sales tax collection, increase in unemployment rates, and the low level of single-family housing starts. She advised that Staff is working to diversify the portfolio and City Manager Muehlenbeck spoke to a decline in hotel/motel taxes and its impact on providing funding.

Mesh Network Presentation

Director of Technology Services Stephens spoke to implementing a City-wide network to be used by Public Safety and other departments. He reviewed coverage, spoke to an October completion, possible cooperative efforts with the school district and benefits to citizens. Mr. Stephens spoke to the network being for City-use only and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap requested the introductory video be placed on the web site.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas

Mayor Dyer requested Council Members provide board/commission liaison preferences to be considered on a future agenda.

Consent and Regular Agenda

Mayor Dyer requested Consent Agenda Item "N," To approve a Second Modification to the Agreement between the City of Plano and Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for the Photo Red Light Enforcement Program that establishes that the contract will expire on January 30, 2012 be removed for individual consideration.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap requested Consent Agenda Item "F," Bid No. 2009-105-B for Ridgeview Drive from Independence Parkway to Coit Road to Jim Bowman Construction Company, L.P. in the amount of \$890,177, be removed for individual consideration due to a possible conflict of interest.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Phil Dyer, Mayor

ATTEST

Diane Zucco, City Secretary