

**PLANO CITY COUNCIL
PRELIMINARY OPEN MEETING
August 9, 2010**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

STAFF

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

Mayor Dyer called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m., Monday, August 9, 2010, in Training Room A of the Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. All Council Members were present. Council Member Callison arrived at 5:40 p.m. 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/Litigation, discuss Personnel, Section 551.074; and to receive information regarding 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 6:02 p.m.

Consideration and action resulting from Executive Session discussion

No items were brought forward.

Personnel: Reappointments

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

Upon a motion made by Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Davidson, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint Jamey Cantrell, Dr. Karen Dubrow, Pylar Pinkston, Aubrie Wolff.

Parks and Recreation Planning Board

Upon a motion made by Council Member Davidson and seconded by Council Member Harris, the Council voted 8-0 to reappoint David L. Loughridge and Chris L. White.

Retirement Security Plan Committee

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap and seconded by Council Member Callison, the Council voted 8-0 to affirm City Manager Muehlenbeck's recommendation and reappoint Stephen E. Doud.

Senior Citizens Advisory Board

The Council deferred consideration of reappointments.

Council Appointments to Various Committees and Organizations

Upon a motion made by Mayor Dyer and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunlap, the Council voted 8-0 to remove the Texas Clean Air Steering Committee (Council of Governments) from the appointment list and to add the Texas Clean Air Cities Coalition with Council Member Davidson as a member.

DART Report

DART Board Member Faye Wilkins advised the Council regarding the status of the budget process advising that it will be out to the member cities in the near future and will be approved on September 28, 2010. She spoke to the attendance at meetings related to the Cottonbelt line and incorporation of public comments. Ms. Wilkins spoke to continued exploration of the paid parking program. She advised that discussions regarding senior transportation will be held on August 24 and that she would provide information to the Council. Ms. Wilkins responded to the Council regarding efforts to ensure payment of fares advising that the cost of enforcement nearly mirrors additional revenues collected.

Update on Renovations to Fire Station #4

Assistant Chief Thompson reviewed the history of Fire Station #4, its status as the technical rescue station and the department's need for space to store reserve apparatus/vehicles. He advised that there will be no increase in personnel costs and spoke to the timetable for completion in late 2011.

Discussion Regarding Staff Car Allowances

City Manager Muehlenbeck responded to Council Member Smith regarding base rates in place since 1982, Staff review, allowances included in employment agreements and movement of some employees off the program, and expenses of those traveling outside the City. He reviewed potential costs for additional pool vehicles including, fuel, parking facilities and insurance and spoke to cost savings related to those who utilize personal vehicles for inspections. Council Member Smith requested information regarding the number of miles driven and spoke to possible mileage reimbursement.

Departmental Report - Libraries

Director of Libraries Ziegler spoke to the department mission to provide a welcoming and supportive environment for engaging our community, enriching lives and educating minds. She spoke of the multi-faceted staff, introduced library managers and administrative staff and responded to the Council regarding access of the virtual library and use of technology in the future.

Consideration of 2011 City Council Meeting Dates

The Council rescheduled the March 14, 2011 meeting to Tuesday, March 8, 2011 and the December 26, 2011 meeting to Tuesday, December 20, 2011.

Council items for discussion/action on future agendas

No items were discussed.

Consent and Regular Agendas

Staff requested that Consent Agenda Item "D," an engineering services contract between the City and Pacheco Koch Consulting Engineers, Inc. be removed for individual consideration.

Nothing further was discussed. Mayor Dyer adjourned the Preliminary Meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Phil Dyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Zucco, City Secretary