

AGENDA

WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

City of Garland

Work Session Room, City Hall

200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas

August 1, 2011

6:00 p.m.

DEFINITIONS:

Written Briefing: Items that generally do not require a presentation or discussion by the staff or Council. On these items the staff is seeking direction from the Council or providing information in a written format.

Verbal Briefing: These items do not require written background information or are an update on items previously discussed by the Council.

Regular Item: These items generally require discussion between the Council and staff, boards, commissions, or consultants. These items are often accompanied by a formal presentation followed by discussion.

**[Public comment will not be accepted during Work Session
unless Council determines otherwise.]**

NOTICE: The City Council may recess from the open session and convene in a closed executive session if the discussion of any of the listed agenda items concerns one or more of the following matters:

(1) Pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offer(s), and matters concerning privileged and unprivileged client information deemed confidential by Rule 1.05 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Sec. 551.071, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(2) The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.072, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(3) A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.073, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(4) Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Sec. 551.074, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(5) The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(6) Discussions or deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect of the sort described in this provision. Sec. 551.087, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(7) Discussions or deliberations regarding a utility-related matter that the City Council in good faith determines by a vote is related to the City's public power utility's competitive activity, including commercial information, that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors. Sec. 551.806, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(6:00) 1. Written Briefings:

a. Dallas County Mutual Aid Agreement

Dallas County Fire Chiefs Association has drafted a Dallas County Mutual Aid Agreement that defines mutual aid provisions for Dallas County Fire Chiefs Association members. The terms of the proposed agreement do not adequately address the City's concerns as to its discretion to designate assistance or to provide or withdraw assistance. Council is requested to consider a resolution that authorizes the City Manager to execute the agreement and provides limitations and conditions on the terms under which the City of Garland may participate in the mutual aid assistance program. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the August 16, 2011 Regular Meeting.

b. Submittal of 2011-2012 CDBG, HOME, and ESG Action Plan

On May 3, 2011, Council adopted the 2011-2012 budget allocations for the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is now requiring that Council approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to submit this annual action plan to HUD. This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting.

Item	Key Person
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(6:10) 2. Verbal Briefings:

a. Preview of the 2011-2012 Proposed Budget

Bradford

Staff will present an overview of the City Manager's Proposed Budget for 2011-2012. The 2011-2012 Proposed Budget document will officially be presented to Council at the August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting.

b. Texas Municipal Retirement System Update **Bradford**

Representatives from the Texas Municipal Retirement System will update Council on the restructuring of the plan and the impacts of recent legislative changes.

c. SB 100 Update **Mayor**

At the request of Mayor Ronald Jones, Council will be updated on SB 100.

d. Charter Review Committee **Mayor**

At the request of Mayor Ronald Jones, Council is requested to discuss the creation of a Charter Review Committee.

(8:00) 3. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions **Council**

- *Alex Luna – Youth Council (Mayor)*
- *Emma Spann – Youth Council (Mayor)*
- *Angela Starnes – Youth Council (Jeffus)*
- *Scott Zachary – Youth Council (Jeffus)*

4. Consider the Consent Agenda **Council**

A member of the City Council may ask that an item on the consent agenda for the next regular meeting be pulled from the consent agenda and considered separate from the other consent agenda items. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.

5. Announce Future Agenda Items **Council**

A member of the City Council, with a second by another member, or the Mayor alone, may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda of the City Council or a committee of the City Council. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.

(8:30) 6. Adjourn **Council**

(Estimated time to consider)