

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
January 17, 2012**

**Executive Session
4:30 p.m.**

- 1. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee [Sec. 551.074, TEX. GOV'T CODE].**
 - a. Consider the reassignment of the managing director of electric utility to a consulting basis.**
 - b. Consider the renewal of employment agreements with the City Manager, City Attorney, and Internal Auditor, and the appointment of a City Secretary.**

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, deliberations, votes, or other final action on matters related to the City's competitive activity, including information that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors and is reasonably related to one or more of the following categories of information:

- generation unit specific and portfolio fixed and variable costs, including forecasts of those costs, capital improvement plans for generation units, and generation unit operating characteristics and outage scheduling;
- bidding and pricing information for purchased power, generation and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies;
- effective fuel and purchased power agreements and fuel transportation arrangements and contracts;
- risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage;
- plans, studies, proposals, and analyses for system improvements, additions, or sales, other than transmission and distribution system improvements inside the service area for which the public power utility is the sole certificated retail provider; and
- customer billing, contract, and usage information, electric power pricing information, system load characteristics, and electric power marketing analyses and strategies. Sec. 551.086; TEX. GOV'T CODE; Sec. 552.133, TEX. GOV'T CODE]

(5:00) 1. Written Briefing:

a. Budget Amendment Young

Council is requested to consider authorizing the amendment of the 2011-12 Adopted Budget in order to appropriate available funds for the following:

- *Projects approved in last year's budget, but not completed by fiscal yearend.*
- *Rollover of open purchase orders from the 2010-11 fiscal year.*
- *Grant and other funds recently awarded to the City.*
- *Expenditures not anticipated in the 2011-12 Adopted Budget.*

Item	Key Person
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2. Verbal Briefings:

a. DART Update DART

At the request of Council Members Laura Perkins Cox and John Willis, DART will brief Council on their proposed bus and rail service modifications scheduled for July 30 and December 3, 2012 (in conjunction with the dates for the opening of the Orange Line Phase 1 and Orange Line Phase II, and Blue Line extension opening).

b. Redistricting for Dallas County Cantrell

At the request of Mayor Ronald Jones, County Commissioner Mike Cantrell will update Council on the 2011 redistricting for Dallas County. As a result of the redistricting, Commissioner Cantrell now represents the cities of Addison, Carrollton, Coppell, Farmers Branch, Garland, Highland Park, Rowlett, Richardson, Sachse, University Park, as well as portions of Dallas and the Valley Ranch area.

3. Regular Items:

a. Solid Waste Collection Route Optimization Program Banks

Environmental Waste Services is proposing to implement a Solid Waste Collection Route Optimization program to improve operating efficiencies by balancing routes in the residential, recycling, and brush/bulky goods service areas along with collection enhancements to the commercial automated container program.

b. Preview of the 2012 Proposed CIP Young

Staff will provide an overview of the 2012 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) that will be formally presented by the City Manager at the January 17, 2012 Regular Meeting.

4. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions Council

5. 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.

6. 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.

(6:45) 7. Adjourn Council

(Estimated time to consider)