

# **AGENDA**

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
City of Garland  
Work Session Room, City Hall  
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas  
February 14, 2011**

**Council will meet beginning at 5:00 p.m.**

## **Executive Session**

- 1. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.**
  - a. Annual Review of the City Auditor**
  - b. Annual Review of the Municipal Judges**

## **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. Land Purchase for Shiloh Substation 138kV Reconstruction Project**

*Council is requested to consider authorizing GP&L to purchase unimproved property from Sears Holdings Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for 1.093 acres in order to proceed with the design and reconstruction of the Shiloh Road 138kV Substation necessary to provide reliability to our distribution system in west Garland, address a system overload under contingency conditions, and provide a loop feed into the PlastiPak Substation. This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the February 15, 2011 Regular Meeting.*

**b. School Parking Restrictions**

*Vehicles parking along the curb on the east side of Oldgate from Arrow to West Way create congestion when other vehicles are delivering and picking up students at Williams Elementary School. Additionally, a correction is needed in an existing restriction on Walnut Parkway for Bradfield Elementary. Council is requested to consider establishing a parking restriction on the east side of Oldgate from Arrow to West Way and amending the current ordinance to restrict parking on the west side of Walnut Parkway from Bobbie Lane to 600 feet south of Lawler. This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the February 15, 2011 Regular Meeting.*

**c. Downtown Parking Regulations for City-owned Facilities**

*Council is requested to consider a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 33, "Transportation," of the Code of Ordinances to provide a new article relating to parking regulations for the downtown area. At this time, the only parking regulations at issue in this ordinance are those pertaining to City-owned facilities, in particular, City Hall, the Duckworth Building, the Granville Performing Arts Center, the 5<sup>th</sup> Street Crossing. Secondly, the proposed ordinance will address three other issues: 1) prohibit skating and skateboarding on sidewalks, ramps, and loading docks at the foregoing City facilities; 2) provide a time limit for parking near a mailbox during business hours; 3) prohibit parking a vehicle on the premises of City Hall for more than three consecutive hours on a day on which public voting is*

*being conducted at City Hall. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the March 1, 2011 Regular Meeting.*

Item	Key Person
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**(6:15) 2. Verbal Briefings:**

**a. Audit Committee Report Williams**

*Council Member Rick Williams, Chair of the Audit Committee, will provide a report on the following items that have been considered by the Committee:*

- *Oncor Franchise Fee Audit*
- *Fleet Services Audit*
- *Police Peripheral Inventory Audit*
- *Auditing Commercial Waste Haulers*

**b. Utility Advisory Board Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report Jeffus**

*Mayor Pro Tem Larry Jeffus, Chair of the Utility Advisory Board Ad Hoc Subcommittee, will provide a report on the following items that have been considered by the Committee:*

- *Committee recommendations regarding the UAB policy report to Council by the City Manager*
- *Request Council consensus regarding the committee recommendation*

**c. Transfer of Ownership – Harbor Point (Bass Pro) Neighbor**

*The original plan for the Harbor Point development envisioned the eventual transfer of the development to a “permanent” owner. Accordingly, the initial developer has been attempting to market the development for some time. The City was recently informed that the developer has negotiated a sale of the development. In order to close that sale, the City must provide certain consents and approvals so that the assets owned by the original developer may be*

*transferred to the new owner. The City Attorney will brief Council on what is being asked of the City in relation to the transfer.*

**d. Rescheduling the Second Meetings in March 2011** **Dollar**

*Due to several of the Council Members planning to attend the 2011 National League of Cities Congressional City Conference on March 12-16, 2011, Council is requested to consider rescheduling the second meetings in March from March 14 and 15 to March 21 and 22, 2011. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the March 1, 2011 Regular Meeting.*

**3. 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.*

**4. 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.*

**(8:00) 5. Adjourn** **Council**

**(Estimated time to consider)**