

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
February 28, 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. Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant

The Community Services Committee has reviewed one Neighborhood Vitality application submitted for consideration. Council is requested to approve funding for this project contingent upon the applicant obtaining required permits and submittal of required project detail. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the March 22, 2011 Regular Meeting.

b. Police Contact Data

In accordance with the Texas Racial Profiling Law (S.B. 1074), the Police Department has been collecting police contact data since January 1, 2002 for the purpose of identifying and responding (if necessary) to concerns regarding racial profiling. Senate Bill 1074 requires that the department submit this report to Council by March 1 of each year for the previous calendar year's data.

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

a. Holiday Inn Express on I-30 - Economic Development Incentive **Mayer**

Paul Mayer, Chief Executive Officer of the Garland Chamber of Commerce, will brief Council on the Garland Economic Development Partnership Steering Committee's recommendation that Council provide an economic development incentive to Holiday Inn Express on I-30.

b. Envision Garland Comprehensive Plan **Montgomery**

At Council's Special Workshop held on February 21, 2011, staff presented an overview of the draft Envision Garland document. The Plan Commission previously conducted public hearings and at their January 24, 2011 meeting unanimously recommended approval of the proposed Plan. A public hearing will be scheduled at the

March 22, 2011 Regular Meeting to provide interested citizens an opportunity to address Council on the draft Envision Garland Comprehensive Plan.

c. Marketing/Events Committee Report **Cox**

Council Member Laura Perkins Cox, Chair of the Marketing/Events Committee, will provide a report on the following item that has been considered by the Committee:

- *Naming Rights for City Facilities*

d. Support of Improvements to Interstate 35 East **Athas/Jones**

At the request of Council Member Douglas Athas and Mayor Ronald Jones, Council is requested to consider approving a resolution supporting improvements to Interstate 35 East from Interstate Highway 635 in Dallas County to U.S. Highway 380 in Denton County. This item is scheduled for formal approval at the March 1, 2011 Regular Meeting.

3. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions **Council**

- *Robert Vera – Plan Commission (Chick)*

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.

(7:30) 6. Adjourn

Council

(Estimated time to consider)