

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
March 21, 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. Heliport Lease and Operating Agreement

Council is requested to consider a 12-year extension to the lease and operating agreement with SKY Helicopters, Incorporated for the operation of the Garland/DFW Heliport. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 5, 2011 Regular Meeting.

b. Texas Department of Transportation Selective Traffic Enforcement Program – Click It or Ticket Grant

Council is requested to consider accepting a Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Selective Traffic Enforcement Program – Click It or Ticket Grant in the amount of \$9,000. The purpose of the grant is to save lives by increasing occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks by conducting intense occupant protection enforcement as well as public information and education efforts during the enforcement period, May 23, 2011 – June 5, 2011. The grant is fully funded by TxDOT and the City is not required to provide matching grants. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 5, 2011 Regular Meeting.

c. Emissions Reduction Incentive Grant Program

Council is requested to consider authorizing the acceptance of a reimbursement grant from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in the amount of \$161,056.00. These grant funds are made available through TCEQ's Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) Emissions Reduction Incentive Grant Program to offset the incremental costs of projects that will reduce emissions of nitrogen oxide from high emitting internal combustion diesel engines in eligible areas. As part of the grant agreement, Environmental Waste Services proposes to purchase new vehicles that will emit fewer pollutants into the air. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 5, 2011 Regular Meeting.

d. Notice of Intent to Issue Certificates of Obligation

On February 8, 2011, Council approved the 2011 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) which contemplates a Certificate of Obligation bond sale in the amount of approximately \$4.5 million to fund a portion of the CIP. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 5, 2011 Regular Meeting.

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(6:10) 2. Verbal Briefings:

a. Request from New Beginning Center Glenn

The New Beginning Center would like to use the City's old library facility located at 120 W. Kingsley as a resale store for donated items from the community. As part of the agreement between the City and the New Beginning Center, the agency is proposing the following:

- *\$1.00 per year rent*
- *60 days notice to vacate*
- *At the agency's expense, make minimal repairs to operate the resale shop.*

b. GP&L Review of the February 2, 2011 Cold Weather Event Schwertner

GP&L staff will review with Council the February 2, 2011 cold weather event.

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.

(7:00) 5. Adjourn

Council

(Estimated time to consider)