

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
April 5, 2010**

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. 2010 - 2014 Consolidated Plan

The City of Garland contracted with BBC Research and Consulting to prepare its Consolidated Plan for the 2010-2014 program years. BBC Consulting has been researching and gathering information regarding Garland's housing and community development needs and has developed a draft Consolidated Plan for Council's review. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for a public hearing at the April 20, 2010 Regular Meeting.

b. 2010 – 2011 CDBG Project, HOME, and ESG Budget

If Council concurs, staff will prepare a recommendation regarding the CDBG Project, HOME, and ESG budget. A number of neighborhood meetings have been held to receive input on the proposed use of these funds. A public hearing will be held at the April 6, 2010 Regular Meeting.

c. Revisions to Backflow/Cross-Connection Control Ordinance

Council is requested to consider revisions to the current Water Supply Backflow/Cross-Connection Ordinance. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 20, 2010 Regular Meeting.

d. Recreational Trails Grant Application to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

The Park and Recreation Board is requesting that Council consider authorizing a Recreational Trails grant application to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department for a project in the Spring Creek Greenbelt corridor. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 20, 2010 Regular Meeting.

e. Rescind Taxes, Penalty, and Interest

Garland Housing Finance Corporation (GHFC) has requested relief from paying post-judgment taxes on property at 1520 Castle Drive. GHFC plans to build housing for low-income senior citizens on the

property. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the April 20, 2010 Regular Meeting.

Item	Key Person
(6:15) 2. Verbal Briefing:	
a. Proposed Changes to Chapter 32 (Junked Vehicles)	Briley
<i>Council is requested to consider a draft ordinance replacing the current sections in Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances as it relates to junked motor vehicles. The proposed draft ordinance was reviewed by the Community Services Committee.</i>	
(6:45) 3. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions	Council
4. Consider the Consent Agenda	Council
<i>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.</i>	
5. Announce Future Agenda Items	Council
<i>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.</i>	
(7:00) 6. Adjourn	Council
(Estimated time to consider)	