

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
April 19, 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. Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant

The Community Services Committee has reviewed the five Neighborhood Vitality applications submitted for consideration. Council is requested to approve funding for these projects contingent upon the applicants obtaining required permits and submittal of required project detail. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 4, 2010 Regular Meeting.

b. Portfolio Summary

The Portfolio Summary is reported to Council each quarter. The report is in compliance with the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act. Management of the City's portfolios is conducted in accordance with City Council Policy FIN-06, Statement of Investment, and City Council Policy FIN-05, Statement of Investment Strategy.

c. Rate Mitigation Fund

As previously directed by Council, staff provides a report on the financial position of the GP&L Rate Mitigation Fund on a quarterly basis. As of March 31, 2010, the Fund had a book balance of \$82 million. This balance includes all Council-approved transfers and all interest earnings since inception of the Fund.

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

**a. Valspar Corporation – Mayer
Economic Development Incentive**

Paul Mayer, Chief Executive Officer of the Garland Chamber of Commerce, will brief Council on Valspar Corporation's plans to invest \$14 million for a 20,000 sq. ft. new building expansion and equipment upgrades. This investment will bring in over \$97,000 annually to the City. The Garland Economic Development Partnership Steering Committee recommends that Council: 1) provide general support for the project; 2) support of a 75% City

Tax Abatement on Real Estate Value and Business Personal Property Value on this new investment for 10 years (total of \$636,356); and, 3) support of nomination for the Texas Enterprise Zone program (State Sales Tax Rebate – potential benefits of \$675,000) by approving an ordinance at that May 18, 2010 Regular Meeting.

b. Texas Enterprise Zone Program - Mayer
Plastipak Packaging, Inc.

Paul Mayer, Chief Executive Officer of the Garland Chamber of Commerce, will brief Council on Plastipak's plans to invest \$5 million in its facility and equipment improvements over the next five years. This investment will increase their Garland business personal property value by a total of \$34,980. The Garland Economic Development Partnership Steering Committee recommends that Council provide support of nomination for the Texas Enterprise Zone Program. This item is scheduled for a public hearing and approval of an ordinance at the April 20, 2010 Regular Meeting.

c. GREAT Homes Program Update Glenn

Staff will provide an update on the GREAT Homes Program.

d. Financial Update Kauffman

Staff will provide Council with a financial update.

e. City Manager's 2010 Management Agenda Dollar

Council will have an opportunity to discuss the City Manager's 2010 Management Agenda.

f. Community Services Committee Report Cox

Mayor Pro Tem Laura Perkins Cox, Chair of the Community Services Committee, will provide a Committee report on the following items:

- *Breed Specific Enclosure Requirements*
- *Detroit ROOF Program*

(8:15) 3. Regular Items:

a. 2010 – 2011 CDBG, HOME, and ESG Budget **Montgomery**

Council is requested to provide direction regarding the allocations for funding the 2009/2010 CDBG, HOME, and ESG Budget.

(8:45) 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.

(9:00) 7. Adjourn **Council**

(Estimated time to consider)