

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
May 16, 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

In May 2004, Proposition 6 was approved by Garland voters and included \$5,000,000 for the Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant Program. Council previously indicated that funds would be made available annually for neighborhood improvement projects. Two applications were reviewed by the Community Services Committee on May 3, 2011 totaling \$46,908.94. Of this amount, funding requests total \$28,322.97 with the difference coming from matching funds provided by the applicants. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the June 7, 2011 Regular Meeting.

b. Firewheel Golf Management Agreement

Council is requested to consider terminating the existing Temporary Golf Management Services Agreement and entering into a new Golf Management Services Agreement with Don Kennedy. This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the May 17, 2011 Regular Meeting.

c. 2010-11 Budget Amendment No. 2

Council is requested to consider authorizing an amendment to the 2010-11 Adopted Budget in order to adjust appropriations within the Firewheel Fund for the following:

- Additional funding for emergency replacement of golf cart batteries.*
- Additional funding for temporary labor to complete course improvements and upgrade maintenance.*
- Reduce funding for food and beverage service – which is proposed to be transferred to the Garland Foundation for Development Corporation.*

This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the May 17, 2011 Regular Meeting.

d. 2011 Capital Improvement Program Amendment No. 1

Council is requested to consider amending the 2011 Capital Improvement Program to appropriate \$1,245,000 for facility renovations at the Main Street Municipal Building and the creation of a Visitors Center on the ground floor of the Duckworth Utility Building. This item is scheduled for formal consideration at the May 17, 2011 Regular Meeting.

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

a. Garland Youth Council Update White

In October 2010, the Garland Youth Council conducted a Youth Town Hall Meeting involving students from Garland ISD high schools. Members of the Youth Council will share the outcomes from those information-gathering sessions for Council's consideration.

b. TMPA Board Member Appointment Council

The Texas Municipal Power Agency has notified the City that Tom Jefferies' term as a member of the TMPA Board of Directors will expire on July 18, 2011. If Council concurs, a notice will be posted on the City's website for a minimum of 14 days beginning May 18, 2011 and ending at noon on May 31, 2011 in order to provide interested citizens the opportunity to apply for the vacant position.

c. Vacant Positions on Various Outside Boards Council

Council is requested to discuss the vacant positions on the Animal Services Advisory Committee, Garland Housing Finance Corporation, Garland Health Facilities Development Corporation and Garland Economic Development Authority. If Council concurs, notices will be posted on the City's website for a minimum of 14 days beginning May 18, 2011 and ending at noon on May 31, 2011 in order to provide interested citizens the opportunity to apply for the vacant positions.

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.

(7:15) 5. Adjourn **Council**

(Estimated time to consider)