

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
September 14, 2009**

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 Briefing:

a. 2009 Sustainable Development Call for Projects

Applications for the North Central Texas Council of Governments' 2009 Sustainable Development Call for Projects are due on October 2, 2009. If Council concurs, staff will submit an application to fund the preparation of a redevelopment plan and implementation strategy for the area surrounding the Forest Jupiter Station.

Item	Key Person
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(6:05) 2. Verbal Briefings:

a. Interview for Appointment to GHFC Council

The Garland Housing Finance Corporation (GHFC) has a vacant position on their board of directors. Information was posted on the City's website requesting that citizens interested in serving on this board submit a Boards and Commissions Application to the City Secretary's Office by September 8, 2009. One application was received from Philip Burke. Council will interview Mr. Burke. Also, the terms of Board Members Hector Cardenas and Delores Elder-Jones have expired. Mr. Cardenas and Ms. Elder-Jones have expressed a desire to be reappointed. Council will consider the appointment of Mr. Burke and the reappointment of Mr. Cardenas and Ms. Elder-Jones at the September 15, 2009 Regular Meeting.

b. Request from GHFC for Funding Dollar

The Garland Housing Finance Corporation has requested that the City consider providing \$74,000 towards the demolition costs of the Miller Garden Apartments.

c. Marketing/Events Committee Report Willis

Council Member John Willis, Chair of the Marketing/Events Committee, will provide an update on the Committee's discussion regarding the City's participation in a July 4th event in 2010.

d. Nomination of Candidate to the DCAD Board of Directors **Council**

Council is requested to discuss the process for nominating a candidate to the Dallas County Appraisal District Board of Directors. The City of Dallas, Dallas Independent School District, and Dallas County may each appoint one member to the Board. Each of the incorporated cities and towns, except the City of Dallas, shall have the right to nominate by official resolution one candidate as the fourth member to the board. The said cities and towns shall, from among the nominations received, elect by a majority vote (with each city and town being entitled to one vote) a member to the Board of Directors. Nominees for each entity must be submitted to the Chief Appraiser by October 15, 2009 by formal resolution. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the October 5, 2009 Regular Meeting.

e. Nomination of Candidates to the CCAD Board of Directors **Council**

Council is requested to discuss the process for nominating candidates to the Collin County Appraisal District (CCAD) Board of Directors. The City of Garland will have one vote to cast in the election for the Board of Directors for the CCAD. Each voting unity may nominate one to five candidates. Nominees for each entity must be submitted to the Chief Appraiser by October 15, 2009 by formal resolution. If Council concurs, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the October 5, 2009 Regular Meeting.

(7:00) 3. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions **Council**

- *Board of Adjustment – Bruce Astin*
- *Building and Fire Code – James Schroeder*
- *Citizens Environmental and Neighborhood Advisory Committee – Linda Barnes and Sandra Purdom*
- *Community Multicultural Commission – John Fleming*
- *Garland Cultural Arts Commission – Sheri Stevens*
- *Housing Standards Board – John Ball*
- *Parks and Recreation Board – Molly Bishop*
- *Plan Commission – Vicki Lynne Faurote*
- *TIF Downtown – Allan McBride Stafford*
- *Utility Advisory Board – Tony Torres and Gary Pickens*

- *Garland Housing Finance Corporation – Philip Burke, Delores Elder-Jones, and Hector Cardenas*

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.

(7:15) 6. Adjourn **Council**

(Estimated time to consider)