# **AGENDA**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**City of Garland** 

Council Chambers, City Hall 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas September 7, 2010 7:00 p.m.

The City Council extends to each visitor a sincere welcome. We value your interest in your community and your participation in the meetings of this governing body. Regular meetings of the City Council are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m.; the City Council meets regularly in work sessions at 6:00 p.m. the Monday preceding each regular meeting.

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#### **CITY COUNCIL GOALS 2020**

(Adopted by Resolution No. 9402 on December 20, 2005)

- Sustainable quality development and redevelopment
- Financially stable government with tax base that supports community needs
- Defends rightful powers of municipalities
- Fully informed and engaged citizenry
- Consistent delivery of reliable City services
- Safe, family-friendly neighborhoods
- Embrace diversity

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

All items under this section are recommended for approval by a single motion of Council, without discussion. Council has been briefed on these items at a previous work session and approval of the consent agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item. The Mayor will announce the agenda and provide an opportunity for members of the audience and the City Council to request that an item be removed and considered separately.

- 1. Consider approval of the minutes of the August 17, 2010 Regular Meeting and the August 30, 2010 Special Session.
- 2. Consider approval of the following bids:
  - a. Concrete Finish Work

Bid No. 242-07

Jerusalem Corp.

\$750,000.00

This request is for the removal and replacement of damaged concrete pavement slabs on arterial and collector streets as part of the Street Department's multi-year infrastructure repair and replacement program.

b. Electric Maintenance - Facilities

Bid No. 308-10

Boyd Electric, Ltd.

\$200,000.00

This request is to provide labor and materials required for electrical maintenance and repairs for all City facilities.

3. A public hearing was previously conducted for the following zoning case. Council approved the request and instructed staff to bring forth the following ordinance for consideration.

Zoning File No. 10-20, SMV, Inc.

Approval of an ordinance will approve an amendment to Planned Development (05-51) for Limited Commerical-1 Uses, and Concept and Detail

Plans for Warehousing, General on a 0.94-acre tract of land located at Lavon Drive, west of Lavon Drive and south of Walnut Street.

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### 4. Consider an ordinance amending the tax roll of the City of Garland.

Council annually amends the tax roll to reflect uncollected ad valorem taxes, as required by generally accepted accounting principles. Although the tax roll is reduced by this action, collection efforts continue unless the costs of those efforts exceed potential revenues. This item was considered by Council at the August 16, 2010 Work Session.

5. Consider by minute action the appointment of Robby Neill to the Animal Services Advisory Committee.

The Animal Services Advisory Committee (ASAC) is a six-person committee authorized by Section 22.23 of the Code of Ordinances to provide advice to the Council and Managing Director of Health on the operation of the Animal Shelter. At the September 7, 2010 Work Session, Council was scheduled to consider the City Manager's recommendation that Robby Neill be appointed to fill the vacant position of "county or municipal official" on the ASAC.

6. Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an interlocal agreement with the County of Dallas relating to the rehabilitation of certain portions of Pleasant Valley Road and Elm Grove Road.

At the September 7, 2010 Work Session, Council was scheduled to consider authorizing an interlocal agreement with Dallas County in the amount of \$174,600 to perform hot-in-place asphalt recycling on Pleasant Valley Road between Merritt Road and Elm Grove Road, and on Elm Grove Road between Pleasant Valley Road and the Hinton Landfill.

# **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

## **Speaker Regulations:**

Anyone wishing to speak for, against, or on agenda items must fill out a speaker card and give it to the City Secretary before speaking (cards located at the entrance to the Council Chambers). The Mayor will recognize speakers; he may impose a time limit and may provide for rebuttal. All comments and testimony are to be presented from the podium.

7. Hold a public hearing regarding the 2010-11 Proposed Budget.

Section 5, Article VII, of the City Charter requires that a public hearing be held on the Proposed Budget for the coming fiscal year. At the public hearing, all interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard for or against any proposed item in the Budget, including the proposed tax rate.

8. Consider an ordinance adopting the operating budget for fiscal year 2010-11, providing budgetary appropriations for the various funds of the City, amending the current budget as revised, authorizing the City Manager to make adjustments.

In accordance with the City Charter, the City Manager presented his recommended Budget for fiscal year 2010-11 to the City Council on August 3, 2010. Copies were made available for public inspection at City libraries, the City Secretary's Office, and on the City's website. Public hearings were held on August 17 and 30, 2010.

9. Consider an ordinance fixing the tax rate and tax levy for the City of Garland for the fiscal year 2010-11 upon all taxable property in the City of Garland in conformity with the laws of the State of Texas and the Charter provisions and ordinances of the City of Garland; repealing all ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict therewith.

Council considered an ad valorem tax rate of 70.46 cents per \$100 valuation for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2010. The tax rate of 70.46 cents represents an increase of one-half of one cent in the Operations and Maintenance portion of the rate and a decrease of the same amount in the

Debt Service portion. Public hearings were held on the proposed tax rate on August 17 and 30, 2010.

10. Consider an ordinance amending various sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland relating to fees for various services provided by the City.

In considering the 2010-11 Proposed Budget, Council reviewed the creation of certain rates and fees, and adjustments to existing rates and fees.

11. Consider an ordinance establishing civil service classifications within the Police and Fire Departments; prescribing the number of positions in each classification; prescribing the base salary and types of pay for those classifications; reinstating step pay for those classifications.

Pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 143 of the Local Government Code of Texas, Council must establish the civil service classifications in the Police and Fire Departments, the number of positions in each classification, the base salary, and the types of incentive pays for each classification.

12. Hold a public hearing on the following zoning case:

Consider the application of Manju Kakadia, requesting approval of a Specific Use Permit for a Convenience Store on property zoned Planned Development (PD) District 76-15 for General Business Uses and located within the IH-635 Overlay District. This property is located at 961 West Centerville Road. (File 10-23)

This proposal is for approval of a Specific Use Permit for a Convenience Store under new ownership located in the IH-635 Overlay. At the August 9, 2010 meeting, the Plan Commission (by a 9 to 0 vote) recommended approval of the change as recommended by staff.

13. Consider appointments to Boards and Commissions.

Board members are selected for two-year terms by the City Council in August. Terms are usually staggered whereby at least half of the membership has board experience. Board members are appointed based on qualifications.

14. Citizen comments.

Persons wishing to address issues not on the agenda may have three minutes to address Council at this time. Council is prohibited from discussing any item not posted according to the Texas Opens Meetings Act.

#### 15. Adjourn.

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