

AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
William E. Dollar Municipal Building
200 North Fifth Street
Garland, Texas
May 15, 2017
6:00 p.m.

DEFINITIONS:

<u>Written Briefing:</u> 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.

<u>Verbal Briefing:</u> 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, deliberations, votes, or other final action on matters related to the City's competitive activity, including information that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors and is reasonably related to one or more of the following categories of information:
 - generation unit specific and portfolio fixed and variable costs, including forecasts of those costs, capital improvement plans for generation units, and generation unit operating characteristics and outage scheduling:
 - bidding and pricing information for purchased power, generation and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies;
 - effective fuel and purchased power agreements and fuel transportation arrangements and contracts:
 - risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage;
 - plans, studies, proposals, and analyses for system improvements, additions, or sales, other than transmission and distribution system improvements inside the service area for which the public power utility is the sole certificated retail provider; and
 - customer billing, contract, and usage information, electric power pricing information, system load characteristics, and electric power marketing analyses and strategies. Sec. 551.086; Tex. Gov't Code; Sec. 552.133, Tex. Gov't Code]

1. Consider the Consent Agenda

A member of the City Council may ask for discussion or further information on an item posted as a consent agenda item on the next Regular Meeting of the City Council. The Council Member may also ask that an item on the posted consent agenda be pulled from the consent agenda and considered for a vote separate from consent agenda items on the regular agenda. All discussions or deliberations on this portion of the work session agenda are limited to posted agenda items and may not include a new or unposted subject matter.

2. Written Briefings:

a. LED Conversion Project - Update

Staff will update Council on the status of the LED Conversion Project. This will include the percentage of completion for each phase of the project and the remaining projected schedule.

b. Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant

The Community Services Committee recommends approval for the applications as submitted by the following four neighborhood associations: Brentwood Village Homeowners Association, Pecan Grove Neighborhood Association, Meadow Creek Village Residents' Association, and Gatewood Homeowners Association Inc. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting.

c. Annual Performance Update on the City of Garland Housing Agency 2015-2019 Five Year Plan and Administrative Plan Approval

Council is requested to consider approval of the Garland Housing Agency Annual Performance Update and the Administrative Plan revisions. This is required for the City of Garland to continue to receive funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for rental assistance to low income families. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting.

d. Guthrie Road Bike Lane and Parking Restrictions

Parking will need to be restricted as part of the restriping of Guthrie Road in order to provide a two-way left turn lane and bike lanes.

e. Atmos Settlement Agreement

Council is requested to consider approval of the Settlement Agreement with Atmos Energy Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Mid-Tex") and the resulting rate change under the Rate Review Mechanism (RRM) tariff. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the June 6, 2017 Regular Meeting.

f. First Amendment to Electric Utility Loan Agreement

Council is requested to consider certain amendments to terms of the Electric Utility System Notes, Series 2016 Loan Agreement. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting.

3. Verbal Briefings:

a. Garland Youth Council Presentation

The Garland Youth Council will provide a presentation and summary of the 2016-17 year to the City Council.

b. May Transportation Update

The Transportation Director will provide a monthly briefing on the activities related to the Strategic Transportation Initiatives of the City of Garland.

c. Introduction of Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) and Request to Hold a Public Meeting on July 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. to Gather Community Input

Fair Housing Services, Housing Agency, and Housing and Community Services will provide an introduction on the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) process required by HUD to fulfill requirements of the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Rule (AFFH). Community assessments are required for recipients of Federal funds, including CDBG, HOME, ESG, and the Housing Choice Voucher program. Staff will present a tentative outline of activities and events in the development of the AFH. The City's participation in a regional consortium to develop a regional plan will also be discussed.

4. Regular Items:

a. North Texas Municipal Water District Applicant Interviews

Council will conduct interviews with applicants and discuss the appointment / reappointment process for the City of Garland's representation on the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD). Mr. Gordon's term of office as a NTMWD Board Member expires May 31, 2017.

b. 2017-2018 CDBG, HOME and ESG Budget Allocation

Council will review and discuss information regarding applications, funding history, and available funds for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Infill Partnership Grant and Emergency Solutions Grant budgets. The City Council will adopt a final budget for the CDBG, HOME and the ESG programs during the Regular Meeting scheduled for May 16, 2017.

c. IH-30 Corridor Catalyst Area Revitalization Plan Update

Staff will provide Council an update and briefing on the IH-30 Corridor Catalyst Area Revitalization Plan.

d. Rescheduling Council Meetings in June and July

At the request of Mayor Douglas Athas, Council is asked to consider rescheduling the June 5 Work session to June 12, June 6 Regular Meeting to June 13, June 19 Work Session to June 26, June 20 Regular Meeting to June 27, July 3, Work session and Regular Meeting to July 10 and July 11, July 17 Work session to July 24 and July 18 Regular Meeting to July 25. Moving the meetings as proposed would allow the Council to canvass the June 10th run-off election in an expeditious manner and would accommodate the July 4th holiday

which is on the first Tuesday in July. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 16, 2017 Regular Meeting.

5. Announce Future Agenda Items

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.

6. Adjourn