



# GARLAND

## AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
**City of Garland**  
**Work Session Room, City Hall**  
**William E. Dollar Municipal Building**  
**200 North Fifth Street**  
**Garland, Texas**  
**June 19, 2017**  
**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, 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. Verbal Briefings:**

### **a. Paris Rutherford - Downtown and Other Development Update**

*At the request of Mayor Douglas Athas, Paris Rutherford who was instrumental in creating the vision for downtown Garland will present his perspective of progress to date and other developments in the area.*

### **b. High School Fire Academy**

*Staff will discuss a high school fire academy in a three-way partnership with the Garland Fire Department, Garland Independent School District, and Dallas County Community College District/El Centro Campus.*

### **c. Status Update on Public Safety Radio System**

*Steven Niekamp, CIO, and Mitch Bates, Chief of Police, will provide an update on the implementation of the Public Safety Radio System.*

### **d. June Transportation Update**

*The Transportation Director will provide a briefing for activity during the previous month to advance the redevelopment of IH 30 and IH 635 East in Garland.*

### **e. Park "Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up" Initiative**

*Staff will present an update on the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts initiative "Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up". The work performed under this initial phase of the program covered a forty-day period during the months of March and April. The initiative is a system-wide, on-going approach which identifies deferred maintenance, and renews standards for basic maintenance.*

### **f. CDBG Funding Alternatives for Vietnamese Community Center**

*The Housing & Community Services staff will present funding alternatives for the Vietnamese Community (Senior) Center facility as requested by City Council.*

### **g. Downtown Square Design Process**

*Staff will provide background information and recommend a strategy to advance the final design of the Downtown Square redevelopment project.*

### **h. Impact of SB1004 - Network Nodes in Rights-of-Way**

*Staff will provide a briefing regarding the effects on a recent bill (SB 1004) regarding "small cells" and the deployment of network nodes to public right-of-way.*

**i. Sachse Dog Park Proposal at Bunker Hill**

*Staff will provide Council with an update on the proposal submitted to the Parks and Recreation Board by the "Sachse Park Pals" for use of approximately 1.4 acres of Bunker Hill Park as an interim dog park. Bunker Hill Park is presently an undeveloped park located at 4949 Bunker Hill Road.*

**j. Advisory Role of Boards & Commissions**

*At the request of Council Member David Gibbons and Council Member Rich Aubin, Council will discuss the advisory role of Boards & Commissions.*

**3. Regular Item:**

**a. Texas Municipal Power Agency Applicant Interviews**

*Council will conduct interviews with applicants and discuss the appointment / reappointment process for the City of Garland's representation on the Texas Municipal Power Agency. Mr. Jeffries term of office as a TMPA Board Member expires July 18, 2017.*

**4. Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

**Mayor Douglas Athas**

- Eric Elmore - Plan Commission

**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**