



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND
SPECIAL WORK SESSION AGENDA
LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL
JAMES R. WILLIAMS PUMP STATION
TRAINING ROOM, 1999 JEFFERSON, LANCASTER, TEXAS**



Monday, February 6, 2017 - 7:00 PM

7:00 P.M. SPECIAL MEETING:

CALL TO ORDER

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to:
 - a. § 551.071 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, to seek legal advice on pending or threatened litigation regarding drainage related issues involving Tribute at Mills Branch.
 - b. § 551.072 of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, to deliberate the sale, acquisition or exchange of real property located east of Dallas Avenue, South of Pleasant Run Road, North of Beltline and West of Lancaster-Hutchins Road.
2. Reconvene into open session. Consider and take appropriate action(s), if any, on closed/executive session matters.

ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

7:30 P.M. SPECIAL WORK SESSION:

Regular Items:

1. Receive a presentation and discuss Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code Tree Preservation.
2. Receive a presentation from Councilmember Marco Mejia regarding Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code: Tree Preservation.

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council reserve the right to convene into executive session on any posted agenda item pursuant to Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to seek legal advice concerning such subject.

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06 PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY HOLDER WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN.

CONFORME A LA SECCION 30.06 DEL CODIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO CON LICENCIA) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DEL GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO OCULTADA.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07 PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY.

CONFORME A LA SECCION 30.07 DEL CODIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE CON LICENCIA) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO H, CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE.

Certificate

I hereby certify the above Notice of Meeting was posted at the Lancaster City Hall on February 3, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m. and copies thereof were provided to the Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tempore, Deputy Mayor Pro-Tempore and Council members.



Sorangel O. Arenas
City Secretary

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

City Council Special Meeting

Item 1.

Meeting Date: 02/06/2017

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2016-2017 Policy Agenda

Goal(s): Professional & Committed City Workforce

Submitted by: Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

Agenda Caption:

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Background:

Executive Session matters.

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

City Council Special Meeting

Item 2.

Meeting Date: 02/06/2017

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2016-2017 Policy Agenda

Goal(s): Professional & Committed City Workforce

Submitted by: Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

Agenda Caption:

Reconvene into open session. Consider and take appropriate action(s), if any, on closed/executive session matters.

Background:

This agenda item allows City Council to take action necessary, if any, on item(s) discussed in Executive Session.

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

City Council Special Work Session

Item 1.

Meeting Date: 02/06/2017

Policy Statement: This request supports the City Council 2016-2017 Policy Agenda

Goal(s): Healthy, Safe & Vibrant Community
Quality Development

Submitted by: Opal Mauldin-Robertson, City Manager

Agenda Caption:

Receive a presentation and discuss Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code Tree Preservation.

Background:

As prescribed in the City Council rules and procedures as amended September 2016, Section D. City Council Agenda Process Subsection 1.b., Mayor Pro Tem Carol Strain-Burk, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Stanley Jaglowski, and Councilmember Marco Mejia requested an item be included on the agenda for the purpose of receiving information from an Arborist regarding the trees included on the protected tree list of the Tree Preservation Ordinance, Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code.

City Council previous discussions have been related to the protected tree category. Council approved the Comprehensive Plan update in October 2016. Part of the implementation process is to strategically review applicable ordinances and sections to ensure compatibility, clarify and eliminate any potential conflicts.

The City entered into a professional services agreement with Stantec to complete an analysis and review of the Comprehensive Plan and relevant ordinances.

At the December 19, 2016 City Council work session, Council received a presentation from Stantec regarding the Lancaster Tree Preservation Ordinance. Council requested staff secure the services of an Arborist to provide information regarding the species of trees on the list and to have further discussion regarding the Tree Preservation Ordinance. Staff secured Arborist Matt Grubisich, Director of Operations and Urban Forestry for the Texas Trees Foundation. The Texas Trees Foundation sustains a tree planting initiative for neighborhood parkways and medians, schools and other public open spaces, a tree growing facility to assure a healthy supply of trees for the future, and education programs to teach the importance and benefits of maintaining a healthy urban forest. Mr. Grubisich is in charge of working with the Executive Director of the Texas Trees Foundation to design and roll out a Regional Urban Forestry initiative for the 16 county Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW) region. He received his Bachelor of Science in Urban Forestry and Forest Management from Iowa State University and has been working in the Urban Forest field for over 17 years in the DFW area. Mr. Grubisich joined the Texas Trees Foundation in September 2010 after working as a private consulting Arborist/Urban Forester specializing in assisting communities, developers, landscaping companies and others with Urban Forestry related issues. Prior to consulting, he served eight years with the Texas Forest Service as the Regional Urban Forester serving the Dallas and surrounding areas. Mr. Grubisich is a Certified Arborist with the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) and specializes in GIS mapping, technology transfer, and eco-system analysis. Matt has served in a leadership position on several boards and commissions including President of the Trinity Blacklands Urban Forestry Council, Chair of the Dallas Chapter of Society of American Foresters, founding member

of the Dallas Urban Forestry Advisory Committee, three terms on the Rowlett Parks and Recreation Board, and is currently on the Board of Directors for ISA Texas.

Mr. Grubisich will make a presentation to City Council.

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL

City Council Special Work Session

Item 2.

Meeting Date: 02/06/2017

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Goal(s): Healthy, Safe & Vibrant Community
Quality Development

Submitted by: Opal Mauldin-Robertson, City Manager

Agenda Caption:

Receive a presentation from Councilmember Marco Mejia regarding Article 14.900 of the Lancaster Development Code: Tree Preservation.

Background:

As prescribed in the City Council rules and procedures as amended September 2016, Section D. City Council Agenda Process, Subsection 1.b., Councilmember Marco Mejia requested that an item be included on the February 6, 2017 Special Work Session for the purpose of making a presentation regarding the Tree Preservation ordinance, and that he will have several developers, Lee Schmitt, Tom Hillsman, and Clyde Hargrove speaking with him regarding the ordinance.

Councilmember Mejia will be making a presentation to the City Council.