

MINUTES OF THE DALLAS CITY COUNCIL  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2003

03-1250

CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING  
CITY HALL, ROOM 6ES  
MAYOR LAURA MILLER, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [14] Miller, Hill, Loza, Garcia, Housewright, Thornton Reese, Oakley,  
Chaney, Fantroy, Poss, Finkelman, Greyson, Rasansky, Lill

ABSENT: [1] Walne

The meeting was called to order at 9:32a.m.

The assistant city secretary announced that a quorum of the city council was present.

The prayer was led by Rev. Michael Piazza.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Lauren Kaufman, Fairhill School.

The meeting agenda, which was posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

After all business properly brought before the city council had been considered the city council adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Assistant City Secretary

The meeting agenda is attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT A.

The actions taken on each matter considered by the city council are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT B.

Ordinances, resolutions, reports and other records pertaining to matters considered by the city council, are filed with the city secretary as official public records and comprise EXHIBIT C to the minutes of this meeting.

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Agenda Item (3): Special Presentations

At the beginning of each briefing meeting of the city council a time is set aside for the mayor to recognize special individuals or groups, to read mayoral proclamations, to confer honorary citizenships, and to make special presentations.

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CITIZEN SPEAKERS

In accordance with the City Council Rules of Procedure, the city council provided "open microphone" opportunities for the following individuals to comment on matters that were scheduled on the city council voting agenda or to present concerns or address issues that were not matters for consideration listed on the posted meeting agenda:

**OPEN MICROPHONE - BEGINNING OF MEETING:**

SPEAKER: Gwain Wooten, 5111 Holland Ave. **NO SHOW**  
SUBJECT: Judy Rorrie/North Dallas Shared Ministries

SPEAKER: Barbara Ventura, 2708 Knight St. **NO SHOW**  
SUBJECT: Council District/Various Issues

**ADDITIONAL OPEN MICROPHONE – BEGINNING OF MEETING:**

None.

**OPEN MICROPHONE – END OF MEETING:**

None.

**OPEN MICROPHONE – END OF MEETING – SPOKE IN THE LAST 30 DAYS:**

SPEAKER: William Hopkins, 2011 Leath St. **NO SHOW**  
SUBJECT: Racism against: Comcast, KKK, City of Dallas

SPEAKER: Sandra Crenshaw, 1431 Quartet St. **NO SHOW**  
SUBJECT: Improper use of city facilities for politics by Councilmembers

SPEAKER: Jurline Hollins, 2832 Marjorie Ave. **NO SHOW**  
SUBJECT: Plantation politics/Dallas Mayor's Race

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Item 1: Approval of Minutes of the April 2, 2003 City Council Meeting

Councilmember Lill moved to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Loza and unanimously adopted. (Walne absent; Hill, Greyson absent when vote taken)

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Item 2: Consideration of appointments to boards and commissions and the evaluation and duties of board and commission members (List of nominees is available in the City Secretary's Office)

The assistant city secretary distributed a report showing all nominations and renominations received for city board and commission appointments for the 2001-2003 board term updated through April 16, 2003.

The assistant city secretary noted that the report indicated nominees and renominees for individual appointments cleared for council action that met all qualifications for service.

Councilmember Finkelman moved to appoint all the nominees to "individual appointment" positions in the report who meet all qualifications for service to the boards and commissions of the city for the term ending August 31, 2003.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Garcia and unanimously adopted. (Walne absent; Hill, Greyson absent when vote taken)

**[Information on each newly-appointed member is located in the file shown next to the name of the board.]**

**03-1260 MLB MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD**

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Briefings: A. "Economic Impact of the Arts" by the Dallas Committee for Arts  
Presenters: Pat Porter, Roger Nanney, and Greg Higgins

Deloitte and Touches and the Dallas Business Committee for the Arts briefed the city council on the item.



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Briefings:      B. Trinity River Corridor Project - Review of Trinity Parkway Urban  
Design Plan - Presenter: Michael Morris

Michael Morris, director of Transportation of the North Central Texas Council of Governments briefed the city council on the item.

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Briefings: C. FY 2003-04 Proposed Consolidated Plan Budget

The briefing of this item was postponed.

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Briefings: D. FY 2003-04 Departmental Budget Outlooks (for information only)

- 1) City Secretary's Office and Elections
- 2) Municipal Court Judiciary
- 3) Mayor and Council
- 4) Civil Service Department

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Closed Session

Attorney Briefings (Sec. 551.071 T.O.M.A.)

- 2218 Bryant Street, Ltd. v. City of Dallas, Texas, et al., Cause No. 01-00292-L
- Chevious Portley v. City of Dallas, Civil Action No. 3:01-CV-1248-M
- City of Dallas v. Redbird Development Corporation et al., Cause No. DV99-08817-K
- Manhattan Construction Company v. Austin Commercial, Inc., Cause No. 03-01805
- Legal issues involving the Zoo Restaurant construction contract
- Legal issues involving pending bills in the Texas Legislature

A closed session was held as authorized by Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the (Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss the following matters:

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The following item was made a part of the closed session:

Employee case involving Ms. Portley.

No other matters were discussed during the closed session.

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