

MINUTES OF THE DALLAS CITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2005

05-0440

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

PRESENT: [15] Miller, Loza, Hill, Garcia, Oakley, Thornton Reese, Salazar,
Chaney, Fantroy, Blaydes, Griffith, Finkelman, Greyson,
Rasansky, Lill

ABSENT: [0]

The meeting was called to order at 9:23 a.m.

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

Mayor Miller asked all members of the city council and the audience to stand for a moment of silence.

Zaira Khan, Intern for the Office of the Mayor, led the pledge of allegiance.

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 5:20 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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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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: Nan Miller, 9410 Redondo Dr. **CANCELED**
REPRESENTING: The Weisfeld Center
SUBJECT: Homeless Assistance Center

SPEAKER: Caroline Mall, 904 s. Ervay St. **CANCELED**
REPRESENTING: Harper House
SUBJECT: Home Assistance Center

SPEAKER: Alan Walne, 10020 Caribou Tr.
SUBJECT: Open Government

SPEAKER: Mary Lu Montes Zijderveld, 10140 Rockmore Ct.
SUBJECT: Homeless location

SPEAKER: Linda Camin, 16502 Fallkirk Dr.
REPRESENTING: League of Women Voters of Dallas
SUBJECT: Proposed changes to the Charter

ADDITIONAL OPEN MICROPHONE – BEGINNING OF MEETING:

SPEAKER: Sharon Thomas, 9350 Skillman St. **NO SHOW**
SUBJECT: No response calls from (214) 670-0190 (re: citations)

SPEAKER: Brenda Reyes, 6112 Ravendale Ln. **CANCELED**
REPRESENTING: Coalition for Open Government
SUBJECT: Blackwood Charter Amendment

SPEAKER: Pat Cotton, 10411 Gooding Dr.
REPRESENTING: Coalition for Open Government
SUBJECT: Kind of Government

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SPEAKER: John Cappello, 273 Creekwood Dr., Lancaster, TX
REPRESENTING: West Dallas Chamber of Commerce
SUBJECT: Strong Mayor Proposal

Councilmember Lill moved to suspend the rules to allow three additional persons, former councilmembers, and elected officials to speak.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Oakley.

After discussion, Mayor Miller called the vote on the motion.

Mayor Miller declared the motion adopted on a divided voice vote, with Mayor Pro Tem Loza voting "No".

SPEAKER: Domingo Garcia, 500 E. Fifth St.
REPRESENTING: LULAC
SUBJECT: Blackwood Charter Amendment

SPEAKER: Bob Stimson, 2717 Fairmont St.
SUBJECT: Blackwood Charter Amendment

SPEAKER: Thomas Hines, 3336 Whitehall Dr.
SUBJECT: Blackwood Charter Amendment

SPEAKER: David Marquis, 3110 W. Kiest Blvd.
SUBJECT: City government

OPEN MICROPHONE – END OF MEETING:

SPEAKER: Lawrence J. Friedman, 6517 Ivyglen Dr.
SUBJECT: Homeless Shelter

SPEAKER: Travella King, 7016 Clipper Dr., Grand Prairie, TX
SUBJECT: Code Compliance – Hiring/Firing practices **CANCELED**

SPEAKER: Ronald Weisfeld, 2909 Jacinto St.
SUBJECT: Temporary Location for the Homeless Assistance Center

SPEAKER: Michealle Frey, 1220 Stinnett Pl., Desoto, TX
REPRESENTING: Steelworkers #9479 **NO SHOW**
SUBJECT: Civilian Employees and Civil Service Matters

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

SPEAKER: Frank Ward, P.O. Box 50694
REPRESENTING: Community at large
SUBJECT: Community issues and concerns

SPEAKER: William Hopkins, 2011 Leath St. **NO SHOW**
SUBJECT: Racism: Against the Dallas City Council, no raises for city employees; animal shelter

SPEAKER: David Blackson, 17832 Riverchase Dr. **NO SHOW**
SUBJECT: Dallas Cowboys

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Item 1: Approval of Minutes of the January 19, 2005 City Council Meeting

Councilmember Oakley moved to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Garcia and unanimously adopted.

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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)

Councilmember Lill moved approval of appointments of boards and commissions.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Garcia.

Later in the meeting, Councilmember Lill withdrew her motion.

Councilmember Garcia who seconded the motion, also withdrew her second.

There were no consideration of appointments to boards and commissions.

FING MEETING OF THE DALLAS CITY COUNCIL

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05-0445

Briefings: A. Discussion of the May 7, 2005 City Charter Election

The city attorney briefed the city council on the item.

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Briefings: B. Civil Service Department and Human Resources Department Efficiency Review

The briefing of this item was postponed.

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Briefings: C. Homeless Assistant Center Financing Options

The city manager and Tom Dunning, chair of the Homeless Task Force briefed the city council on the item.

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Briefings: D. Trinity River Corridor Comprehensive Land Use Plan – Final Plan and Implementation Strategy

The briefing of this item was postponed.

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Briefings: E. Comcast Cable Rate Regulation

The city manager briefed the city council on the item.

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Closed Session

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

- Legal issues involving proposed Chapter 146 of the Local Government Code concerning police and fire employment matters
- Erubiel Cruz, et al. v. Mark DeLaPaz, et al., Cause No. 3:02-CV-0649-K
- Victor Alvarado DeLeon v. City of Dallas, et al., Cause No. 3:02-CV-1097-K
- Jacinto Jesus Mejia v. City of Dallas, Cause No. 3:02-CV-0352-K
- Lorenzo Escamilla v. City of Dallas, et al., Cause No. 3:03-CV-0848-K
- Betty Jenkins v. Mark DeLaPaz, et al., Cause No. 3:03-CV-0810-K
- George Sifuentez v. City of Dallas, et al., Cause No. 3:03-CV-0961-K
- Yvonne Gywn v. Mark DeLaPaz, et al., Cause No. 3:03-CV-2121-K
- Everett & Grogan v. David Larsen, et al., Cause No. 3:04-CV-0192-K
- Chavez, et al. v. DeLaPaz, et al., Cause No. 3:04-CV-0510-K
- Pineda v. City of Dallas, et al., Cause No. 3:04-CV-0071-K

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

- Legal issues involving proposed Chapter 146 of the Local Government Code concerning police and fire employment matters

No other matters were discussed during the closed session.

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