

MINUTES OF THE DALLAS CITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2007

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CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING
CITY HALL, ROOM 6ES
MAYOR TOM LEPPERT, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [15] Leppert, Garcia, Caraway, Medrano, Neumann, Hill, Salazar, Davis,
Atkins, Kadane, Allen, Koop, Natinsky, Rasansky, Hunt

ABSENT: [0]

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Rayford Butler, Greater Mt. Hebron Missionary Church.

Councilmember Rasansky 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 5:39 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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: Gifford Touchstone, 3338 Oaklawn Avenue, #725
REPRESENTING: Texas Stampede
SUBJECT: Texas Stampede Week

SPEAKER: Elgin Young, 12232 Hoblitzelle Drive
SUBJECT: Ticket writing policy for citizens without proper identification

SPEAKER: Sandra Crenshaw, 1519 Quartet Street
REPRESENTING: Neighborhood Improvement Association
SUBJECT: Trinity River Debate—Truth or Consequences

SPEAKER: Mark Rupe, 7319 Toland Street
SUBJECT: Union Pacific Train coming through the Urbandale/Astoria/Cedar Run Neighborhood

SPEAKER: Michelle Frey, 860 Windy Meadow Lane, Desoto
REPRESENTING: Steel Workers—City of Dallas Employees
SUBJECT: City Employees

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

SPEAKER: Ozumba Lnuk-X, 4106 Vineyard Dr.
SUBJECT: Corrupt Dallas Police Officer, Criminal Justice System, Past DA Prosecuting Attorney, Code Compliance Supervisor and Dallas is a racist city

SPEAKER: William Hopkins, 2011 Leath Street
SUBJECT: Racism against the Dallas Mayor, City Council and the Trinity River Plan

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Item 1: Approval of Minutes of the October 17, 2007 City Council Meeting

Councilmember Rasansky moved to approve the minutes.

Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia and unanimously adopted. (Salazar 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 re-nominations received for city boards and commissions appointments for the 2007-2009 board term updated through November 5, 2007.

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

Councilmember Rasansky moved to appoint all nominees to "individual appointment" positions in the report who meet all qualifications for service to the boards and commissions at the city for the term ending September 30, 2009.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Natinsky and unanimously adopted. (Salazar, Allen absent when vote taken)

Councilmember Rasansky moved to appoint Sam Yang, Interested Citizen, to the Cultural Affairs Commission; Phillip Collins, Architecture/Design Planning, and Olga Lydia Santiago, Citizen At Large, to the Cultural Affairs Commissions Alternate Members; Judd D. Bradbury, Information Technology, Gerry Hennig, Engineering Construction, and Fred Jay Gross, Retail/Marketing Purchasing, to the Commission on Productivity and Innovation; Joseph Phifer to the Civil Service Board; Eliza Steward, Monique Allen, Levar Thomas, Randall Parker, Eric Anderson, Robert A. Chereck, Maria E. Gonzales, Don Robinson to the Housing Finance Corporation Board; Albert Silva, Albert Gonzalez, and Robin Moss Norcross, Citizens At Large, to the Landmark Commission; Ann Piper, Real Estate Appraiser, to the Landmark Commission Alternate Members; Jason Mayes, Dallas Member, to the Reinvestment Zone Two Board (Cityplace Area); Barry Annino, Dallas Member, to the Reinvestment Zone Six Board (Farmers Market); Cheryl Sutterfield Jones and Michael Kutner, Dallas Members, to the Reinvestment Zone Eight Board (Design District); Lily Mak, Dallas Member, to the Reinvestment Zone Ten Board (Southwestern Medical); and Sonja McGill, Dallas Member, to the Reinvestment Zone Thirteen Board (Grand Park South).

Motion seconded by Councilmember Natinsky and unanimously adopted. (Salazar, Allen absent when vote taken)

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Mayor Pro Tem Garcia moved to appoint Joe Alcantar, Chair, City Plan Commission; Judge Elizabeth Davis Frizzell, Vice-Chair, Judicial Nominating Commission; Maureen Jones, Vice-Chair, Municipal Library Board; and Jesse Tafalla, Vice-Chair, Senior Affairs Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Medrano and unanimously adopted. (Salazar, Allen absent when vote taken)

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

07-3250	CAC CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION
07-3251	CAX CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION ALTERNATE
07-3252	CDC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
07-3253	CPC CITY PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION
07-3254	CPI COMMISSION ON PRODUCTIVITY AND INNOVATION
07-3255	CPR DALLAS CITIZENS POLICE REVIEW BOARD
07-3256	CSB CIVIL SERVICE BOARD
07-3257	EHC ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
07-3258	HFC HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION BOARD
07-3259	LMC LANDMARK COMMISSION
07-3260	LMX LANDMARK COMMISSION ALTERNATE
07-3261	MLB MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD
07-3262	MLK MARTIN LUTHER KING JR COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD
07-3263	RZ02 REINVESTMENT ZONE TWO BOARD (CITYPLACE-AREA)
07-3264	RZ06 REINVESTMENT ZONE SIX BOARD (FARMERS MARKET)
07-3265	RZ08 REINVESTMENT ZONE EIGHT BOARD (DESIGN DISTRICT)
07-3266	RZ10 REINVESTMENT ZONE TEN BOARD (SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL)
07-3267	RZ13 REINVESTMENT ZONE THIRTEEN BOARD (GRAND PARK SOUTH)
07-3268	SAC SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION
07-3269	BOARD OFFICERS

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Item 3: Authorize a thirty-six-month professional services contract for the audit of the City's financial operations and grant activities for fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 through September 30, 2009 - Grant Thornton LLP, most advantageous proposer of two - Not to exceed \$3,147,000 - Financing: Current Funds (subject to annual appropriations)

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia moved to approve the item.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Davis and unanimously adopted. (Salazar, Allen absent when vote taken)

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Item 4: An ordinance amending Chapter 28 of the Dallas City Code to conform the City's red light camera ordinance to SB 1119, adopted by the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, and to provide for civil fines not to exceed \$75 per offense - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia moved to approve the ordinance.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Hill.

After discussion, Mayor Leppert called for a vote on the motion.

Mayor Leppert declared the motion adopted on a divided vote, with Councilmember Hunt voting "No." (Salazar, Allen absent when vote taken)

Assigned ORDINANCE NO. 26988.

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Briefings: A. Council Appointees Performance Plans

- Mary K. Suhm, City Manager
- Thomas P. Perkins Jr., City Attorney
- Deborah A. Watkins, City Secretary

The city manager briefed the city council on her performance plan.

NOTE: The City Attorney and City Secretary briefed the City Council in executive session.

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Briefings: B. 2008 City Calendar

The city manager briefed the city council on the item.

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Briefings: C. Fair Park Comprehensive Development Plan Update

The city manager briefed the city council on the item.

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Closed Session [**HELD**]

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

- Marilyn Ford v. City of Dallas, Civil Action No. 3:05-CV-1676-D
- Dallas Morning News v. City of Dallas, Cause No. 06-06607-J

Personnel Matters (Sec. 551.074 T.O.M.A.)

- Discussion regarding the performance review of City Manager Mary K. Suhm
- Discussion regarding the performance review of City Attorney Thomas P. Perkins, Jr.
- Discussion regarding the performance review of City Secretary Deborah A. Watkins

At 11:51 a.m., the Mayor announced the closed session of the city council authorized by Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETING," of the (Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss the following matters:

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

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The Mayor reconvened the city council after the closed session at 5:28 p.m. No other matters were discussed during the closed session.

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