

MINUTES OF THE DALLAS CITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014

14-0800

CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING
CITY HALL, ROOM 6ES
MAYOR MICHAEL RAWLINGS, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [15] Rawlings, Atkins, Alonzo, Griggs, Medrano (*9:10 a.m.), Hill (*9:25 a.m.), Caraway, Callahan, Davis (*9:11 a.m.), Kadane, Allen, Kleinman (*9:10 a.m.), Greyson (*9:17 a.m.), Gates, Kingston (*9:10 a.m.)

ABSENT: [0]

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

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

The invocation was given by Reverend Harold Chism of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church.

Councilmember Griggs 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, Mayor Rawlings announced the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

The annotated 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.

* **Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order**

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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 and city council 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: Bobby Collins, 401 DFW Pkwy.
REPRESENTING: U.S. Postal Service
SUBJECT: Dog awareness

SPEAKER: Bill Leland, 504 Hemlock Dr., Arlington, TX
REPRESENTING: Letter Carriers
SUBJECT: Loose dogs/dog attacks

SPEAKER: Mary Warren, 4312 McKinney Ave.
SUBJECT: The city budget

SPEAKER: Deloris Phillips, P.O. Box 530236, Grand Prairie, TX (handout provided)
SUBJECT: The corruption of the USA

SPEAKER: Pam Yeargin, 1201 Cypress Ln., Lancaster, TX (handout provided)
REPRESENTING: Verna's Ventures
SUBJECT: Clear tote bags

OPEN MICROPHONE – END OF MEETING:

There were no speakers present under this category when called.

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Item 1: Approval of Minutes of the May 7, 2014 City Council Meeting

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Alonzo moved to adopt the minutes of the May 7, 2014 City Council Meeting.

Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Atkins and unanimously adopted. (Griggs, Callahan 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)

There were no appointments made to boards and commissions.

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Briefing A: Charter Review Commission's Recommended Amendments to the Dallas City Charter

Rafael Anchia, Chair of the Charter Review Commission, presented the final Charter Review Commission Report and provided an overview of the recommended changes.

Specifically discussed in great detail were the method of forming future Redistricting Commissions and future city council salary.

Following discussion and by a show of hands raised in favor, the city council generally reached a consensus: 1) the Redistricting Commission should comprise of only 15 members, with each council member to appoint one individual; and 2) increase the Mayor compensation to \$80,000 and Council Member compensation to \$60,000.

Mayor Rawlings directed the City Attorney to draft the proposed charter amendment language to achieve the consensus of the City Council, with any modifications to be considered at future scheduled meetings along with all other recommendations made by the Charter Review Commission. The City Council was informed additional recommendations could be submitted outside of what was reviewed and/or recommended by the Commission.

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Briefing B: Budget Workshop #2 - Preliminary Rankings

The city manager briefed the city council on the item.

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Closed Session

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

- Aaron Curtis v. Michael Wade Mosher and the City of Dallas, Civil Action No. 3:12-SV-4866
- Jaqueline Collins, et al. v. City of Dallas, et al. Civil Action No. 3:12-CV-2584-O
- Robert Groden v. City of Dallas, et al. Civil Action No. 3:10-CV-1280-N

At 12:01 p.m., Mayor Rawlings announced the closed session of the city council authorized by Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the (Texas Open Meetings Act) to discuss the following matters:

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

- Jaqueline Collins, et al. v. City of Dallas, et al. Civil Action No. 3:12-CV-2584-O
- Robert Groden v. City of Dallas, et al. Civil Action No. 3:10-CV-1280-N

Mayor Rawlings reconvened the city council meeting after the closed session at 1:06 p.m. No other matters were discussed during the closed session.

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