

AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
City of Garland
Work Session Room, City Hall
200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas
July 20, 2010**

5:00 p.m.

DEFINITIONS:

Written Briefing: Items that generally do not require a presentation or discussion by the staff or Council. On these items the staff is seeking direction from the Council or providing information in a written format.

Verbal Briefing: These items do not require written background information or are an update on items previously discussed by the Council.

Regular Item: These items generally require discussion between the Council and staff, boards, commissions, or consultants. These items are often accompanied by a formal presentation followed by discussion.

**[Public comment will not be accepted during Work Session
unless Council determines otherwise.]**

NOTICE: The City Council may recess from the open session and convene in a closed executive session if the discussion of any of the listed agenda items concerns one or more of the following matters:

(1) Pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offer(s), and matters concerning privileged and unprivileged client information deemed confidential by Rule 1.05 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Sec. 551.071, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(2) The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.072, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(3) A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.073, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(4) Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Sec. 551.074, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(5) The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(6) Discussions or deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect of the sort described in this provision. Sec. 551.087, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(7) Discussions or deliberations regarding a utility-related matter that the City Council in good faith determines by a vote is related to the City's public power utility's competitive activity, including commercial information, that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors. Sec. 551.806, TEX. GOV'T CODE.

(5:00) 1. Written Briefings:

a. Portfolio Summary

The Portfolio Summary is reported to Council each quarter. The report is in compliance with the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act. Management of the City's portfolios is conducted in accordance with City Council Policy FIN-06, Statement of Investment, and City Council Policy FIN-05, Statement of Investment Strategy.

b. Rate Mitigation Fund

As previously directed by Council, staff provides a report on the financial position of the GP&L Rate Mitigation Fund on a quarterly basis. As of June 30, 2010, the Fund had a book balance of \$82.2 million. This balance includes all Council-approved transfers and all interest earnings since inception of the Fund.

Item	Key Person
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(5:05) 2. Verbal Briefings:

a. Financial Update

Kauffman

Staff will provide Council with a financial update.

b. Public Safety Committee Report

Jeffus

Council Member Larry Jeffus, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, will provide a Committee report on the following item:

- *Use of Handheld Cell Phones in School Zones*

c. Appointment of a Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor

At the request of Mayor Ronald Jones, Council is requested to discuss the appointment of a Deputy Mayor Pro Tem. In accordance with City Council Policy OPNS-30, "Who Shall Act As Mayor," Council may elect a Deputy Mayor Pro Tem at its discretion. The Deputy Mayor Pro Tem will act as Mayor in the absence or disability of the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.

3. Consider the Consent Agenda

Council

A member of the City Council may ask that an item on the consent agenda for the next regular meeting be pulled from the consent agenda and considered separate from the other consent agenda items. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.

4. Announce Future Agenda Items

Council

A member of the City Council, with a second by another member, or the Mayor alone, may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda of the City Council or a committee of the City Council. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.

(5:45) 5. Adjourn

Council

(Estimated time to consider)