

Quality of Life Council Committee

Meeting Record (DRAFT)

Meeting Date: 1-24-2011

Convened: 2:04 p.m.

Adjourned: 3:29 p.m.

Pauline Medrano, Chair
Vonciel Jones Hill, Vice-chair
Sheffie Kadane
Dave Neumann
Steve Salazar
Carolyn R. Davis

Briefing Presenter(s):

-Corinne Hill, Interim
Director of Library Services
-Robert Curry, Chair of the
Urban Forest Advisory
Committee

Staff Present:

Forest Turner, Theresa O'Donnell, Phil Erwin, Betty Antebi-Taylor, Juan Moa, Kjerstine Nielsen

Special Guests:

Former Councilmember Bob Simpson

AGENDA:

1. **Approval of the December 13, 2010 minutes**

Presenter(s):

Information Only: _____

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Motion to approve the December 13, 2010 minutes.

Motion made by: Vonciel Jones Hill

Item passed unanimously: __X__

Item failed unanimously: _____

Motion seconded by: Sheffie Kadane

Item passed on a divided vote: _____

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

2. **Dallas Public Library Update on Library Services**

Presenter(s): Corinne Hill

Information Only: __X__

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

The briefing provided an update on Dallas Public Libraries along with information on collections, customer service improvements, library access improvements, usage improvements, new developments and the future of Dallas Public Libraries.

The Quality of Life Committee suggested that an update briefing come back to the committee in June 2011.

3. **Revisions to Article X – Tree and Landscaping Ordinance**

Presenter(s): Robert Curry

Information Only: __X__

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

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The briefing presented information on trees and how they are an important amenity to the quality of life. A revision to the ordinance will increase awareness that trees are an important element and eliminate suggestion that the current ordinance is a burden and fails to preserve trees. A timeline was presented along with a summary of changes, new ordinance features, and additional suggestions.

The Urban Forest Advisory Committee requested that the Quality of Life Committee send the recommendations forward for consideration to the Zoning Ordinance Committee.

Motion made by: Vonciel Jones Hill

Item passed unanimously: __X__

Item failed unanimously: _____

Motion seconded by: Steve Salazar

Item passed on a divided vote: _____

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pauline Medrano, Chair
Quality of Life Committee