

# Quality of Life & Environment Committee Meeting Record

**DRAFT**

**Meeting Date:** January 27, 2014

**Convended:** 9:20 a.m.

**Adjourned:** 11:10 a.m.

**Members Present:**

Dwaine R. Caraway, Chair  
Sandy Greyson, Vice Chair  
Adam Medrano  
Carolyn R. Davis  
Rick Callahan

**Members Absent:**

Lee M. Kleinman

**Briefing Presenters**

LaToya Jackson  
Asst Dir., Strategic Customer  
Services  
Adam McGough  
Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office  
Jimmy Martin  
Director, Code Compliance  
Jody Jones  
Division Manager, Animal  
Services

**Staff Present:**

Joey Zapata, Charles Cato, Jill Jordan , LaToya Jackson, Jody Jones, Jimmy Martin, Adam McGough, Clifton Gillespie, Eric Izuora

**AGENDA:**

1. **Approval of January 13, 2014 Minutes**

**Presenter(s):**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

A motion was made to approve the minutes for January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**Motion made by:** Adam Medrano

**Motion seconded by:** Carolyn R. Davis

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

2. **GrowSouth Neighborhood Challenge Grant Program**

**Presenter(s):**

LaToya Jackson & Adam McGough

The purpose of this briefing was to update the committee on the upcoming GrowSouth Neighborhood Challenge Grant Program. The briefing provided: a purpose for the program; application and registration rules; idea guidelines and requirements; grant restrictions; and an explanation of the application review process.

The committee requested additional information, an increase in the number of planned workshops and informational meetings, and more information regarding the planned communications & outreach strategy

**Action Taken/Committee**

**Recommendation(s):**

**Motion made by:**

**Motion seconded by:**

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

**3. Animal Services Update**

**Presenter(s):** Jody Jones & Jimmy Martin

The purpose of this briefing was to update the committee on the status, impact, and potential next steps of Dallas Animal Services.

The committee requested: a prioritized list of funding needs for Dallas Animal Services; an updated [www.dallascityhall.com](http://www.dallascityhall.com) announcements tab that lists the joint PetSmart & Dallas Animal Services everyday adoption center at 16821 Coit RD; a way of securing more dog traps; and to add pet owner responsibility education messages to the water bill.

The Chair requested that staff from the Attorney’s Office and Public Information Office attend Quality of Life & Environment committee meetings.

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

**Motion made by:**

**Motion seconded by:**

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

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**Councilmember Dwaine R. Caraway**

Chair