

Quality of Life & Government Services Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: April 9, 2012

Convened: 9:39 a.m.

Adjourned: 10:40 a.m.

Members Present:

Sandy Greyson, Chair
Mónica R. Alonzo
Dwayne Caraway
Carolyn Davis

Members Absent:

None

Briefing Presenters

Frank Camp, Interim Director
Environmental Quality

Jimmy Martin, Director
Code Compliance

Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Jimmy Martin, Frank Camp, James Childers, Kevin Lefebvre, Clifton Gillespie

AGENDA:

1. **Approval of March 26, 2012 minutes**

Presenter(s):

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Motion made to approve March 26, 2012 minutes

Motion made by: Dwayne Caraway

Motion seconded by: Carolyn Davis

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. **Earth Day**

Presenter(s): Frank Camp

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing provided a history of Earth Day, including how Dallas has participated in Earth Day events over the years. The presentation also covered Earth Day Dallas 2012, which aims to be the largest Earth Day event ever in Dallas, hoping to attract 100,000 visitors over two-days at Fair Park. Other Earth Day events in Dallas include school cleanups, Oak Cliff Earth Day activities, and City environmental outreach teams participating in multiple events in April.

The committee members expressed support for the Earth Day, and all the events taking place in Dallas.

3. **Code Accountability Report**

Presenter(s): Jimmy Martin, James Childers

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing provided information to the committee regarding the development of the next version of the Code Accountability Report (version 2.0). The report will tie report card measures to current performance measures used by the Community Code Division, and will keep all data analysis in the current year and month. The data gathering process for this report will be automated.

Committee members expressed that the current report is not useful enough. The way the information is currently organized makes it difficult to track progress in areas of the city. The members also stressed the importance of open communications between communities and City staff. The new report should be a reflection of Code Compliance's response to community issues.

4. Operation: Beautification

Informational Memo

Presenter(s): Joey Zapata

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This memo provided information about the citywide cleanup event that will take place on May 19, 2012. At the Quality of Life meeting on February 13, 2012, the committee was in favor of proceeding with a citywide cleanup event. Operation: Beautification is the result of staff's efforts to organize an event based on the committee's recommendations.

Councilmember Sandy Greyson
Chair