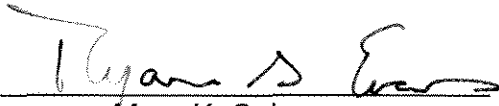


**SEPTEMBER 19, 2007 BRIEFING CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
CERTIFICATION**

This certification is given pursuant to Chapter XI, Section 9 of the City Charter for the City Council Agenda dated September 19, 2007. We hereby certify, as to those contracts, agreements, or other obligations on this Agenda authorized by the City Council for which expenditures of money by the City are required, that all of the money required for those contracts, agreements, and other obligations is in the City treasury to the credit of the fund or funds from which the money is to be drawn, as required and permitted by the City Charter, and that the money is not appropriated for any other purpose.



Mary K. Suhm
City Manager

9/14/07

Date



Edward Scott
City Controller

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COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA

September 19, 2007

DATE

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(LA INFORMACIÓN GENERAL Y REGLAS DE CORTESÍA QUE DEBEN OBSERVARSE
DURANTE LAS ASAMBLEAS DEL CONSEJO MUNICIPAL APARECEN EN EL LADO OPUESTO, FAVOR DE LEERLAS.)

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- Ninguna persona retrasará o interrumpirá los procedimientos, o se negará a obedecer las órdenes del oficial que preside la asamblea.
- Todas las personas deben abstenerse de entablar conversaciones, comer, beber y fumar dentro de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- Anuncios y pancartas deben permanecer fuera de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- No se permite usar teléfonos celulares o enlaces electrónicos (*paggers*) audibles en la cámara del Ayuntamiento durante audiencias del Ayuntamiento Municipal.

"Los ciudadanos y visitantes presentes durante las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal deben obedecer las mismas reglas de comportamiento, decoro y buena conducta que se aplican a los miembros del Ayuntamiento Municipal. Cualquier persona que haga comentarios impertinentes, utilice vocabulario obsceno o difamatorio, o que al dirigirse al Ayuntamiento lo haga en forma escandalosa, o si causa disturbio durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento Municipal, será expulsada de la cámara si el oficial que esté presidiendo la asamblea así lo ordena. Además, se le prohibirá continuar participando en la audiencia ante el Ayuntamiento Municipal. Si el oficial que preside la asamblea no toma acción, cualquier otro miembro del Ayuntamiento Municipal puede tomar medidas para hacer cumplir las reglas establecidas, y el voto afirmativo de la mayoría del Ayuntamiento Municipal precisará al oficial que esté presidiendo la sesión a tomar acción." Según la sección 3.3(c) de las reglas de procedimientos del Ayuntamiento.

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2007
CITY HALL
1500 MARILLA
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201
9:00 A.M.

9:00 am Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance 6ES

 Special Presentations

 Open Microphone Speakers

VOTING AGENDA 6ES

1. Approval of Minutes of the September 5, 2007 City Council Meeting
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)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

City Attorney's Office

3. A resolution amending Section 9 of the City Council Rules of Procedure to revise and establish certain standing committees of the City Council - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

Briefings 6ES

- A. FY 2007-08 Budget Amendments (If necessary)
- B. Continuous Improvement: Checking in with our Customers - Results of the 2007 Citizen Survey

Lunch

- C. International Inland Port of Dallas (IIPOD): Converting Vision to Reality
- D. City of Dallas Grant Activities
- E. Attorney General of Texas Open Government Training Video (Open Records and Open Meetings training as required by State Law - approximately 2 hours)

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2007

Closed Session 6ES
Attorney Briefings (Sec. 551.071 T.O.M.A.)

- David Pabis v. City of Dallas, et al., Cause No. 06-06446-L
- Maria Zamora v. City of Dallas, Cause No. 05-10826-K
- Yolanda Sendejo, individually and as next friend to Destine Sendejo, a minor v. City of Dallas, Cause No. 04-07763-M
- Legal issues involving the contract for golf pro services executed February 14, 2001 for Cedar Crest and L.B. Houston Golf Courses.

Open Microphone Speakers 6ES

The above schedule represents an estimate of the order for the indicated briefings and is subject to change at any time. Current agenda information may be obtained by calling (214) 670-3100 during working hours.

Note: An expression of preference or a preliminary vote may be taken by the Council on any of the briefing items.

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. Contemplated or pending litigation, or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
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. Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
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. Section 551.073 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
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. Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
5. The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
6. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations. Section 551.087 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

KEY FOCUS AREA: Staff Accountability

AGENDA DATE: September 19, 2007

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney's Office
City Manager's Office

CMO: Thomas P. Perkins, Jr., 670-3491
Mary K. Suhm, 670-5306

MAPSCO: N/A

SUBJECT

A resolution amending Section 9 of the City Council Rules of Procedure to revise and establish certain standing committees of the City Council - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

This item will amend Subsection 9.1 of the City Council Rules of Procedure to revise and establish standing committees of the City Council as follows: the Economic Development Committee; the Finance, Audit, and Accountability Committee; the Quality of Life and Government Services Committee; the Trinity River Corridor Project Committee; the Public Safety Committee; the Transportation and Environment Committee; and the Housing Committee. The City Manager's Office will be placing an item for City Council consideration on the September 26, 2007 Council Addendum to amend the 2007 City Calendar to reflect committee name changes and to include meeting schedules of the Housing Committee and Trinity River Corridor Project Committee.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

This item has no prior action.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.

September 19, 2007

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

Section 1. That Paragraph (a) of Subsection 9.1, "Committees Established," of Section 9, "City Council Committees," of the City Council Rules of Procedure, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(a) The following standing committees of the city council are established:

- (1) Economic development [~~and housing~~] committee.[:]
- (2) Finance, audit, and accountability committee.[:]
- (3) Quality of life and government services committee.[:]
- (4) Trinity River Corridor project committee. [~~(which will expire August 1, 2009);~~]
- (5) Public safety committee.[: ~~and~~]
- (6) Transportation and environment committee.
- (7) Housing committee."

Section 2. That the City Council Rules of Procedure, as amended, will remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this resolution.

Section 3. That this resolution will take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

THOMAS P. PERKINS, JR., City Attorney

By _____
Assistant City Attorney

