

Quality of Life & Environment Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: May 11, 2015

Convended: 9:11 a.m.

Adjourned: 10:32 a.m.

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

Briefing Presenters

Kris Sweckard
Director, Code Compliance
Services

Margaret Wright
Assistant Director, Strategic
Customer Services

Catrina Shead
Deputy Chief, Dallas Police
Department

Molly McCall Carroll
Director, Human Resources

Kris Sweckard
Director, Code Compliance
Services

Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Kris Sweckard, Margaret Wright, Parris Long, Yasmin Barnes, Kelly High, Jaquina Gilbert, Bernetta Jo Young, Tammy Palomino, Mark McDaniel, Chris Soto, Catrina Shead, Michael Genovesi, Ben Collins, Tyrone McGill, Eric Izuora

Special Guests:

AGENDA:

1. **Approval of April 27, 2015 Minutes**

Presenter(s):

A motion was made to approve the minutes of April 27, 2015.

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

Motion made by: Rick Callahan

Motion seconded by: Lee Kleinman

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Special Presentation: Dallas Community Outreach Conference 2015

Presenter(s): Carolyn Davis

Information Only

A special presentation was given that highlighted the Dallas Community Outreach Conference 2015.

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. Dallas City Hall on the Go!

Presenter(s): Margaret Wright

Information Only

This briefing provided the committee an overview of the upcoming Dallas City Hall on the GO! community service program.

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:**

4. Noise & Panhandling Ordinances and Enforcement

Presenter(s): Catrina Shead

Information Only

This briefing provided the committee an overview of noise & panhandling ordinances, enforcement methods, and introduced a panhandling sign pilot program.

Committee members requested staff to examine the possibility of making the entire city a no-solicitation zone, to explore modifying the 311 app to incorporate a decibel meter to assist in submitting noise complaints with location information, the number of enforcement actions taken on solicitation by DPD, the number of decibel readers the City currently has, and to explore the use of civil citations for noise violations.

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:

5. Labor Hiring & Sanitation Employment Program

Presenter(s):

Molly McCall Carroll

Information Only

This briefing provided the committee an overview of the labor hiring and sanitation employment program to address the difficulty in staffing labor positions, and to establish a program to offer day laborers who work on Sanitation collection crews an opportunity to transition to full-time City employment.

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:

6. Code Compliance Sunset Review Update

Presenter(s):

Kris Sweckard

Information Only

This briefing provided the committee an update of action steps for the potential opportunities identified through the Sunset Review process for Code Compliance.

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:

7. Scrap Tire Program Overview: "RETIRE"

Presenter(s):

Kris Sweckard

Information Only

This briefing was deferred to the next committee meeting.

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:

Councilmember Dwaine R. Caraway

Chair