



City of Rowlett

Special Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, March 11, 2014

6:00 P.M.

Annex Building – 4004 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Kilgore, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Councilmember Dana-Bashian, Councilmember Pankratz and Councilmember Bobbitt

Absent: Councilmember Phillips

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. AGENDA ITEMS

2A. Discuss the replacement of the Public Safety Radio System and Simulcast Site. (45 minutes)

Council reconvened at 8:22 p.m. after a short break.

Police Chief Mike Brodnax, along with Lt. Steve Ferrie, Fire Chief Neil Howard, and Assistant Fire Chief Don Poovey, provided a history of the current radio system and the requirements for interoperability. He outlined the options for doing a stand-alone system versus continuing with the Garland/Mesquite system. They additionally reviewed the current radio coverage and the improved coverage provided by the new radio tower. They reviewed the timeline for the implementation of the P25 compliance and the process for the construction of the tower as well as the GPS system built in to the new required hardware, which pinpoints public safety officers' locations.

They further explained that the proposed cost for the replacement of the portable radios should be lower due to the bulk pricing and interlocal purchasing agreements. They discussed costs

for the required updates, grants received, and funding options. It was the consensus of Council to continue the partnership with the Garland/Mesquite radio system and to pursue the 15 year CO financing, which will be considered at a later date.

- 2B.** The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, §551.087 (Economic Development) and §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney, to discuss and deliberate commercial or financial information received from business prospects and the offer of financial or other incentives to business prospects that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in the Downtown District, and to discuss economic development incentives and a Development Agreement with Integral Development LLC and Catalyst Urban Development LLC on City owned property located in Downtown. (90 minutes)

Council convened in Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. Out at 8:19 p.m.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

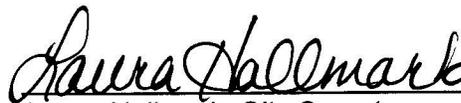
There was no action taken.

3. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: April 15, 2014