


NOVEMBER 14, 2017 CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA
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This certification is given pursuant to Chapter XI, Section 9 of the City Charter for the City Council Briefing Agenda dated November 14, 2017. 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.



T.C. Broadnax
City Manager

11-10-17
Date



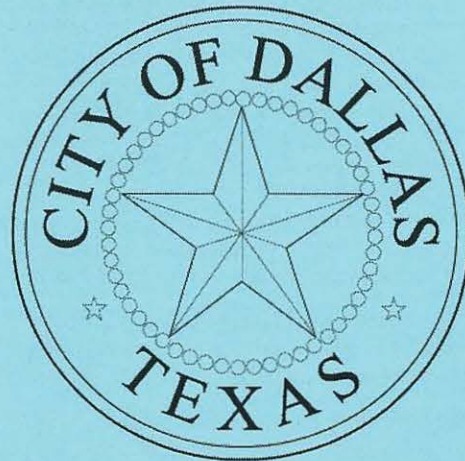
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Chief Financial Officer

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DALLAS, TEXAS



COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA

November 14, 2017

Date

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(La Información General Y Reglas De Cortesía Que Deben Observarse
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General Information

The Dallas City Council regularly meets on Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 6th floor, City Hall, 1500 Marilla. Council agenda meetings are broadcast live on WRR-FM radio (101.1 FM) and on Time Warner City Cable Channel 16. Briefing meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Council agenda (voting) meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays. Anyone wishing to speak at a meeting should sign up with the City Secretary's Office by calling (214) 670-3738 by 5:00 p.m. of the last regular business day preceding the meeting. Citizens can find out the name of their representative and their voting district by calling the City Secretary's Office.

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Rules of Courtesy

City Council meetings bring together citizens of many varied interests and ideas. To insure fairness and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules of courtesy which apply to all members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. These procedures provide:

- That no one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings, or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- All persons should refrain from private conversation, eating, drinking and smoking while in the Council Chamber.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Chamber.
- No cellular phones or audible beepers allowed in Council Chamber while City Council is in session.

"Citizens and other visitors attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of propriety, decorum and good conduct applicable to members of the City Council. Any person making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the City Council or while attending the City Council meeting shall be removed from the room if the sergeant-at-arms is so directed by the presiding officer, and the person shall be barred from further audience before the City Council during that session of the City Council. If the presiding officer fails to act, any member of the City Council may move to require enforcement of the rules, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council shall require the presiding officer to act." Section 3.3(c) of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

Información General

El Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Dallas se reúne regularmente los miércoles en la Cámara del Ayuntamiento en el sexto piso de la Alcaldía, 1500 Marilla, a las 9 de la mañana. Las reuniones informativas se llevan a cabo el primer y tercer miércoles del mes. Estas audiencias se transmiten en vivo por la estación de radio WRR-FM 101.1 y por cablevisión en la estación *Time Warner City Cable* Canal 16. El Ayuntamiento Municipal se reúne el segundo y cuarto miércoles del mes para tratar asuntos presentados de manera oficial en la agenda para su aprobación. Toda persona que desee hablar durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento, debe inscribirse llamando a la Secretaría Municipal al teléfono (214) 670-3738, antes de las 5:00 pm del último día hábil anterior a la reunión. Para enterarse del nombre de su representante en el Ayuntamiento Municipal y el distrito donde usted puede votar, favor de llamar a la Secretaría Municipal.

Si necesita interpretación en idioma español, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la Secretaría del Ayuntamiento al 214-670-3738 con notificación de 48 horas antes.

Intérpretes para personas con impedimentos auditivos están disponibles si lo solicita con 48 horas de anticipación llamando al (214) 670-3738 (aparato auditivo V/TDD). La Ciudad de Dallas está comprometida a cumplir con el decreto que protege a las personas con impedimentos, *Americans with Disabilities Act*. **La agenda del Ayuntamiento está disponible en formatos alternos si lo solicita.**

Si tiene preguntas sobre esta agenda, o si desea hacer comentarios o presentar quejas con respecto a servicios de la Ciudad, llame al 311.

Reglas de Cortesía

Las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal reúnen a ciudadanos de diversos intereses e ideologías. Para asegurar la imparcialidad y el orden durante las asambleas, el Ayuntamiento ha adoptado ciertas reglas de cortesía que aplican a todos los miembros del Ayuntamiento, al personal administrativo, personal de los medios de comunicación, a los ciudadanos, y a visitantes. Estos reglamentos establecen lo siguiente:

- 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.

Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistol oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017
CITY HALL
1500 MARILLA STREET
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 November 1, 2017 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)

ITEM FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

City Attorney's Office

3. Authorize settlement of the lawsuits styled *Kenneth E. Albert, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00697-94, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas; *Anthony Arredondo, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-01743-99, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas, *David L. Barber, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-624-95, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas; *Kevin Michael Willis, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00200-95, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas; (collectively, the "Lawsuits") - Not to exceed \$61,687,500 - Financing: 2018 Bond Funds

BRIEFINGS 6ES

- A. Discussion of City Council Meeting Procedures
- B. Overview of Dallas Community Courts

Lunch

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CITY COUNCIL BRIEFING MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

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

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.086]

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DEPARTMENT: City Secretary

AGENDA DATE: November 14, 2017

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): N/A

SUBJECT

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AGENDA ITEM # 3

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

Government Performance and Financial Management

AGENDA DATE:

November 14, 2017

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):

N/A

DEPARTMENT:

City Attorney's Office

CMO:

Larry Casto, 670-3491

MAPSCO:

N/A

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BACKGROUND

Plaintiffs claim that the City failed to maintain percentage pay differentials between grades in the sworn ranks as required by the referendum, and seek compensation for alleged underpayments of salaries. The City maintains that the voters only intended a one-time pay raise of 15% with no ongoing obligation to maintain pay differentials. The City is agreeable to settling the lawsuits whereby the City will pay the plaintiffs in the Lawsuits provided that the plaintiffs and the City can mutually agree on the terms of a written settlement agreement.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

The last Executive Session briefing on this item was on October 25, 2017.

FISCAL INFORMATION

2018 Bond Funds - \$61,687,500

November 14, 2017

WHEREAS, lawsuits styled *Kenneth E. Albert, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00697-94, *Anthony Arredondo, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-01743-99, *David L. Barber, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00624-95, and *Kevin Michael Willis, et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00200-95, (the "Lawsuits") were filed by the plaintiffs against the City where the plaintiffs claim that the City failed to maintain percentage pay differential between grades in the sworn ranks of the Dallas Police Department and Dallas Fire-Rescue Department as required by Ordinance No. 16084 seeking compensation for alleged underpayment of salaries; and

WHEREAS, the City maintains that the voters only intended a one-time pay raise of 15% with no ongoing obligation to maintain pay differentials; and

WHEREAS, the City is agreeable to settling the lawsuits whereby the City will pay the total amount of \$61,687,500, provided that the plaintiffs and the City can mutually agree on the terms of a written settlement agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to settle the claims of the plaintiffs in the lawsuits.

Now, Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the settlement of the Lawsuits styled *Kenneth E. Albert et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00697-94, *Anthony Arredondo et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-01743-99, *David L. Barber et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00624-95, and *Kevin Michael Willis et al. v. The City of Dallas, Texas*, Cause No. 199-00200-95, in an amount not to exceed \$61,687,500 is hereby approved, provided that the plaintiffs and the City can mutually agree on the terms of a written settlement agreement.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make payments to the plaintiffs authorized by this resolution from a future bond issuance.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall 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.

Overview of Dallas Community Courts

**Council Briefing
November 14, 2017**

**Larry Casto
City Attorney**

**Chris Caso
Managing Attorney**

**Dianne Gibson
Community Courts Manager**



City of Dallas

Introduction

- Provide background and overview of the Community Courts Program
- Review Community Courts growth and performance
- Outline changes and improvements
- Review future plans for the Community Courts Program

Moving Forward with Community Courts

- Creation of Community Courts as a stand-alone section of the City Attorney's Office with Dianne Gibson as the first non-lawyer head of a section of the City Attorney's Office.
- Renovation of the old Fire Station in Vickery Meadow Neighborhood as a permanent home for the Northeast Community Court. In addition to housing the Community Court, this location will also house community partners which will allow it to become a vibrant part of the Vickery Meadow Neighborhood.
- Established the position of the Assistant Court Manager to free-up the Court Manager to explore expanding and improving the Community Courts Program.

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Community Courts History

- The City of Dallas opened its first Community Court in 2004 in South Dallas.
- Shortly thereafter, the West Dallas and South Oak Cliff Community Courts opened in 2008 and 2010 respectively.
- In 2014, the City of Dallas opened its first Specialty Court: The Adult Drug Treatment Court.
- In 2016, the Northeast Community Court was opened.
- Additionally in 2016, the City of Dallas opened its second Specialty Court: The Veterans Treatment Court.

Community Court – A Mentor Court

- In 2008, the South Dallas Community Court was one of only three sites nationwide to be selected by the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance to serve as a National Mentor Court for community courts across the world.
- As a mentor court, the South Dallas Community Court supports the Center for Court Innovation in advancing the community court model and hosts site visits from jurisdictions that are seeking to start or enhance a community court.
- In 2014, the South Dallas Community Court, after a competitive selection process, was again designated as a National Mentor Court.

Community Courts Program

- The Community Court arraigns defendants cited for “quality-of-life” crimes including: hazardous code violations, possession of drug paraphernalia, litter, minor assaults, manifestation of prostitution, overgrown vegetation, illegal dumping, and others within 7 days of a citation being issued.
- Defendants who plead guilty or no contest are ordered to perform community service, pay restitution, and/or attend rehabilitative and educational programs. Defendants who plead not guilty are referred to Municipal Court.

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An Effective Model that Works

- **Rehabilitate.** The Community Courts provide defendants with the opportunity to address their Class C misdemeanors and connect them to valuable resources to deal with any higher level offenses.
- **Restore.** Community Courts provide a seamless integration of services to address a defendant's needs, including criminal, mental health, substance abuse, housing, employment, and transportation.
- **Respect.** The Community Courts Program treats all defendants in a respectful manner which helps them to return to being productive members of society.



The Community Court Difference

- **Eliminating Financial Hardships:** In lieu of court costs and tickets, defendants perform supervised community service in the community where the crime was committed. Additionally, the social worker assists the defendant with finding employment, job training programs, and scholarships.
- **Reduces Barriers:** Defendants are supplied with transportation (bus passes), clothing, basic needs, and quality of life needs via different partnerships and programs. Furthermore, all eligible offenses are addressed with that defendant; there is no need to split cases between multiple days.

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The Community Court Difference

- **Supervised Community Service:** Paid staff identifies project needs in the community and supervises defendants in performing community service. All service hours are tracked.
- **Wrap-Around Services:** The defendant receives social services through an on-site social worker while simultaneously satisfying fines and outstanding citations.
- **Assists High Risk/High Needs Individuals:** Access to different substance/alcohol abuse and/or mental health treatment and recovery support services is provided to assist the defendant.

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The Community Court Difference

- **Visible in the Community:** With help from valuable partners, the Courts provide career and health fairs, school supply distribution, Thanksgiving baskets, utility, rental, and housing assistance, as well as Christmas gifts for the entire family. Additionally, the courts participate in City of Dallas Special Initiatives, Town Hall Meetings, and Task Force Committees.
- **Relationship Building:** The Community Courts have established a rapport with the community and defendants using its unique approach to swift and restorative justice.
- **Reduces Burden on Seniors:** Many seniors are on a fixed income and cannot afford to make necessary changes to be in compliance. Community service workers will provide minor home repairs (tearing down sheds, repairing fences, painting, etc.) The Courts provide the manpower and supplies – this also reduces code violations in that neighborhood.

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City Collaboration

- Streets and Sanitation
- Dallas Police Department
- Court and Detention Services
- Dallas Fire Rescue
- Code
- Mow Clean
- Growth South Initiative
- Neighborhood Plus
- Office of Community Services
- Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs
- Equipment and Building Services
- Mayor & City Council

Community Service in Action



Community Courts Impact

For FY 16-17:

- Completed **16,478** hours of community service
- Completed **1,116** community service projects
- Compliance Ratio of **83%**
- Value of Community Service Performed: **\$119,465.00**
- **752** defendants graduated from the program



Special Events and Community Engagement



Race for the Cure



Community Court Career Fair



National Night Out



City of Dallas Budget Town Hall



Community Court Staff Retreat



TR Hover Rec Ctr Painting



Community Cleanup

Special Initiatives and Partnerships

- New Downtown “Night” Court
- Prostitution Diversion Initiative
- Second Chance Community Improvement Program (S.C.C.I.P)
- GANG Initiative
- Protective Orders with Dallas County District Attorney’s Office
- Expunction Clinic

Downtown “Night” Community Court

- **Pilot Schedule:** Thursday, Nov. 2nd, 9th, Dec. 7th and Dec. 14th from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- **Location:** This docket is held at the Municipal Court building.
- **Focus Area:** Targeting habitual high-risk/high-needs individuals previously identified by Panhandling Initiative Task Force
- **Opening Night:** On the first day of the Downtown Community Court, we assisted 22 defendants.

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Second Chance Community Improvement Program (SCCIP)

- Established in November 2014
- An intergovernmental community court that transforms participants' lives and behaviors through exposure, support, responsibility, accountability, and empowerment.
- Collaboration between Dallas County and the City of Dallas
- Target Population: 18-30 year olds, non-violent offenders, drug/drug related offenses (e.g. possession, manufacturing, delivery drugs, theft, evading arrest, among other offenses)
- Target Location: The following zip codes in the City of Dallas-- 75215, 75210, and 75223.

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Future/Next Steps

- Enhance and expand program services:
 - Domestic Violence Court and increase HIV/AIDS Awareness Community Events
- Establish new partnerships:
 - Child Protective Services, Inpatient Psychiatric facilities, El Centro College
- Continue to improve efficiencies:
 - Cross training positions to improve flow of the court and to better assist defendants during and after court

QUESTIONS

