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NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

ENVIRONMENTAL & COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

Work Session Room of City Hall
William E. Dollar Municipal Building
200 N. Fifth Street
Garland, Texas

September 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Environmental & Community Advisory Board of the City of Garland, Texas will be held at the aforementioned location, date, and time to discuss and consider the following agenda items:

AGENDA:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. *Consider approval of the June 12, 2024 meeting.*

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak. Testimony may be held until the item is considered or given at the beginning of any committee meeting. Invited testimony may also occur at any time, subject to a request of the Member of the Committee and with the approval of the Committee Chairperson.

3. **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

a. **Illegal Tire Dumping**

Code Compliance Director Rick Barker and Sanitation Director Uriel Villalpando will present an overview of the City's response to illegal tire dumping.

b. **Community Involvement**

Environmental and Community Advisory Board member Kenneth Risser will provide an update on community involvement.

4. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

5. **ADJOURN**

NOTE: A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance and may or may not participate in the discussions of the Committee or board.



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Environmental & Community Advisory Board

1. a.

Meeting Date: 09/11/2024

Item Title: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Summary:

Consider approval of the June 12, 2024 meeting.

Attachments

June 12, 2024 ECAB draft minutes

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MINUTES

The Environmental and Community Advisory Board of the City of Garland convened in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on June 12, 2024, in the Council Work Session Room, 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas, with the following members:

Present: Robert Bruns, Chairperson
Jim Dobbins, Vice-Chairperson
Daphne Dean, Board Member
Dr. Shibu Samuel, Board Member
Lauren Burns, Board Member

Absent: Vacant, Board Member
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Ken Risser, Board Member

Staff Present: Uriel Villalpando, Sanitation Director

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approval of the March 13, 2024 meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

a. Volunteer Opportunities

City of Garland Volunteer Coordinator Nancy Tunell will provide an overview of her role with the City and speak about current volunteer opportunities.

Nancy Tunell, Volunteer Coordinator for the Parks Department discussed efforts to streamline volunteer management, including tracking hours, supporting non-profits, promotion, training, onboarding, and handling liability waivers. Nancy also mentioned the new grant received last year with the purpose of hosting more community events, and how the Parks Department plans to launch a volunteer software next year to enhance promotion, advertising, and event management. Lastly, Nancy discussed the new mural project for Duck Creek Greenbelt and invited ECAB members to apply for consideration to be part of the selection process for identifying the artists that will be painting the mural.

b. Community Outreach Activity Summary

Environmental and Community Outreach Coordinator Michelle Stuyvesant will provide a summary of Sanitation's outreach activity.

Sanitation Outreach Coordinator Michelle Stuyvesant mentioned community involvement has significantly increased, with rising demand for her tours and educational programs. Her composting classes, though

popular, have seen typical attendance rates of only half the registered participants. To expand her reach, Michelle is engaging the community through various events such as electronic and paper shredding initiatives, day camps, and library collaborations. Encouragingly, recycling data is trending positively, indicating a growing community interest in sustainable practices.

c. Community Involvement

Environmental and Community Advisory Board member Kenneth Risser will provide an update on community involvement.

No update provided.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

5. ADJOURN

Submitted By:

Robert Bruns, Chairperson

Uriel Villalpando, Staff Liaison



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Environmental & Community Advisory Board

3. a.

Meeting Date: 09/11/2024

Item Title: Illegal Tire Dumping

Summary:

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Background/Additional Information:



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3. b.

Meeting Date: 09/11/2024

Item Title: Community Involvement

Summary:

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