

A G E N D A

PRE-COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 27, 1987
9:00 A.M.

PRE-COUNCIL CHAMBER

FOR ACTION TODAY

- 1) Proposed Airline Service Exec Express Airlines, Inc. - Fort Worth Meacham Airport (M&C C-10610) - David A. Ivory, Senior Assistant City Manager and Aviation Advisory Board Members (15 Min.)
- 2) Village Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Phase I-B-2 through 6 and I-C-3 (M&C C-10615) - Richard Sawey, Water Director (10 Min.)
- 3) Questions/Answers Concerning Current Agenda Items - David A. Ivory, Senior Assistant City Manager (5 Min.)

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

- 4) Report on Cultural District Committee Meeting and Status Report on Will Rogers Equestrian Center - Ruth Ann McKinney, Assistant City Manager (15 Min.)
- 5) Review of Public Comments for State Implementation Plan (SIP) - D'Metria Benson, Assistant City Attorney (10 Min.)

The Meeting ends at 9:55 a.m.

To add or make revisions, please call the City Manager's Office,
870-6140, before 3:00 P.M., Monday, October 26, 1987

The purpose of the Pre-Council Conference held prior to a regular City Council Meeting is to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to discuss informally items on the agenda and to secure information from the City Manager and the staff. Although the meeting is open to the public, citizens are requested to reserve comments and questions for the subsequent Council meeting so they will be a part of the public record.

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ABSENT: Mayor Bolen, Councilmen Gilley, Vance, and Zapata

ITEMS:

1. PROPOSED AIRLINE SERVICE EXEC EXPRESS AIRLINES, INC. - FORT WORTH MEACHAM AIRPORT (M&C C-10616) - DAVID A. IVORY, SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER AND AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Aviation Director Ike Thompson explained plans for the beginning of commuter airline service out of Fort Worth's Meacham Field. Exec Express Airlines, Inc., which currently is headquartered in Stillwater, Oklahoma, will relocate its corporate offices to Meacham Field and will offer daily service to Austin, Houston, and San Antonio. Initial plans call for five flights per day to each destination for a total of 15 flights per day beginning November 7, 1987. The cost of a one way ticket will be \$59 at peak times and \$41 off peak.

Exec Express will fly three Dornier 228 Series Aircraft, which seat nineteen passengers. A back-up Dornier 228 Aircraft will be available at Meacham Field to assure reliability in the event of a breakdown. Additional flights will be added as demand increases to a maximum of eight per day per route. If demand increases beyond eight flights per day, the airline will purchase larger aircraft to service the high volume routes and will transfer the smaller aircraft to new routes.

Mr. Thompson estimated that the City's total annual net revenue from Exec Express will be approximately \$29,000.

Councilman Williams asked Mr. Thompson what the city can do to make Meacham Field more like Love Field in Dallas. Mr. Thompson stated that citizen support and an experienced carrier are two factors which are crucial to growth of passenger service at Meacham Field.

Mr. Williams asked if the city is trying to attract experienced carriers to Meacham Field. Mr. Thompson indicated that the city is not actively seeking experienced carriers because the City's Legal Department has advised against any active recruitment, which may be in violation of bond agreements with Dallas concerning D/FW International Airport.

2. VILLAGE CREEK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE I-B-2 THROUGH 6 AND I-C-3 (M&C C-10615) - RICHARD SAWEY, WATER DIRECTOR

Water Director Richard Sawey reviewed a request for authorization to submit water and wastewater grant applications to the federal government. The grant applications are for six remaining phases of improvements at the Village Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Sawey stated that because the federal grants are

being phased out, the applications must be submitted by November 1, 1987.

Estimated cost for the remaining improvements is \$59.7 million, \$25.7 million of which will be federal funds with the remaining \$34 million paid by the City. The City's portion of the cost will be financed with \$8.4 million in available bond funds and \$25.6 million in future bond funds. The proposed improvements will enable Fort Worth to collect, treat, and dispose of wastewater for the next twenty years.

3. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS CONCERNING CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS - DAVID A. IVORY, SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

None.

4. REPORT ON CULTURAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING AND STATUS REPORT ON WILL ROGERS EQUESTRIAN CENTER - RUTH ANN MCKINNEY, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

Assistant City Manager Ruth Ann McKinney briefed Council on the last meeting of the Cultural District Committee which was held Wednesday, October 21, 1987. Ms. McKinney reported that the Committee has hired a planning director, Gilson Riecken, who will begin in early November. Mr. Riecken will assist the Committee with developing and coordinating improvement plans for the Cultural District. In addition to Mr. Riecken, the Committee has hired an Alexandria, Virginia consulting firm, EDAW, Inc., to update the Cultural District Master Plan.

Ms. McKinney also reported plans for landscaping the areas surrounding the new Equestrian Center. Although landscaping for the entire Cultural District had been considered, the city has only enough funds to landscape the Equestrian Center.

Councilman Williams expressed concern over a recent newspaper article in which officials of Casa Manana claimed to have been left out of subcommittee meetings dealing with parking around the theatre. Mr. Williams asked if city staff had met with Ted Bevans of Casa Manana to resolve potential problems prior to the Cultural District Committee meeting. Ms. McKinney indicated that city staff had met with Mr. Bevans prior to the Wednesday meeting to explain proposed parking changes. She explained that the city is not responsible for appointments to Cultural District subcommittees and stated that Casa Manana's lack of representation on the parking subcommittee was an oversight that had been rectified at the Wednesday meeting of the Cultural District Committee.

Regarding allegations of faulty construction at the Equestrian Center, Ms. McKinney reported that all claims had been thoroughly investigated by city inspectors and that any problems discovered had been resolved. Public Events Director B. Don Magness reassured Council that there are no construction problems at the new facility.

5. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (SIP) - D'METRIA BENSON, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

Assistant City Attorney D'Metria Benson reviewed statements regarding the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to be presented by Councilman Williams on Thursday, October 29, in Arlington. The SIP is the plan which outlines what measures will

be taken in the Metroplex to bring ozone levels into compliance with EPA regulations. Highlights of the statement include endorsement of natural rather than laboratory testing, inclusion of perimeter counties in the SIP, and encouragement of national legislation further restricting automobile emissions.

Councilman Murrin asked if the city is currently taking action against automobiles that are obviously (visibly) releasing too much exhaust. Senior Assistant City Manager David Ivory responded that the city does have ordinances against excessive automobile emissions and that citations are currently issued for violations.