

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 6, 2017

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council convened in a Work Session on Monday, February 6, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room at the South Branch Library, 3228 Teasley Lane.

PRESENT: Council Member Wazny, Council Member Briggs, Council Member Hawkins, Council Member Gregory, Council Member Bagheri, and Mayor Watts.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Roden.

1. Work Session Reports

- A. ID 17-145 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Denton Public Library's annual report for FY 2015-2016, the new 2017-2020 Strategic Plan, and the future direction of library operations for the City of Denton.

Terri Gibbs, Director of Libraries, reviewed highlights of the 2015-2016 Annual Report. She stated that attendance at classes had risen 14%. The number of new library cards issued had increased by 7%. A Dashboard measure used – did you learn something? received a 92% affirmative. Total budget was \$5,778,146 which was 63% salaries, 10% materials, 3% utilities and 23% other expenses which included Tech Services transfers, insurance, building maintenance, and equipment and maintenance. Dpl2go, the mobile library unit designed to take the library to areas outside the normal service range, was launched. Library card holders had access to 4,000+ video training courses online through Lynda.com.

Gibbs reviewed the 2020 Strategic Plan. She stated there were three core areas of focus: education, community, and resources. Education included youth, technology, special collections, and adult education partnerships. Community included outreach (Dpl2go), marketing – Citizen Connection goes out in email, and internal customers at the City of Denton – how can we provide more of a service to employees. Resources included staff training and schedule review; materials and funding for electronic materials; and user services – new catalog and electronic options. Big ideas moving forward included Document Denton – a municipal archive LEEP produced and a Children's Library.

Council Member Wazny stated that she would like to see more press releases related to the libraries, such as information from the brochure, some of the programs like Lynda.com and Dpl2go.

Council Member Briggs asked for more facts related to the library on the website.

Mayor Watts commended Gibbs on creating a more productive staff and not having had an increase in staff over the last ten years.

2. Concluding Items

- A. Under Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, respond to inquiries from the City Council or the public with specific factual information or recitation of policy, or accept a proposal to place the matter on the agenda for an upcoming

meeting AND Under Section 551.0415 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, provide reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken, to include: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; or an announcement involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

The Council did not have any items.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

CHRIS WATTS
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

JANE RICHARDSON
ASSISTANT CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS