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City seeks applicants for Dallas Gas Drilling Task Force; The task force will propose revisions to drilling ordinance

DALLAS – The City of Dallas is seeking individuals to serve on the Dallas Gas Drilling Task Force, which will propose revisions to the City’s gas drilling ordinance. Applicants are needed for the following positions:

- Three experts in environmental impact studies, air quality, water quality, and/or soil contamination issues in relation to oil and gas drilling. Examples include professors, environmental attorneys, environmental consultants and land use/zoning attorneys
- Three industry/business representatives. Examples include gas drilling company representatives with a presence in the Barnett Shale and/or persons who have implemented “best practices”, such as oil and gas attorneys
- Three citizens and/or environmental group representatives

“This is an opportunity to serve our community in a very significant way,” said Councilmember Linda Koop, Chair of the Ad Hoc Selection Committee responsible for selecting task force members. “The Council needs knowledgeable, experienced, and broad minded individuals for the task force. The members will consider all sides of a broad range of issues related to natural gas drilling and will develop recommendations to update our current ordinance and permitting process.”

Task force applicants must be willing to meet on at least eight Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 from July through October. Two meetings will include public hearings that may be in the evening hours.

Applications can be obtained and submitted at www.dallascityhall.com and are due by 5 p.m. Monday, May 23.

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