

**Guide to the
Morris Parrish Collection
1941-2000 (bulk 1964-2000)**

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Biographical Sketch

Morris Holland Parrish was born in 1927 near Tenaha, Texas. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1945-1946 and from 1950-1951. In 1952, he married Marjorie Darden with whom he had two children. Parrish received a Bachelor of Business Administration from Stephen F. Austin University in 1957 and began a career in hospital administration the following year. After working in Houston and Nacogdoches, Texas, Parrish moved to Irving in 1973 and served as the administrator of Irving Community Hospital until he retired in 1987. Parrish remained in Irving after retirement and continued his work in various civic organizations. He was employed as the interim Executive Director of the Irving Arts Board from during 1988 and as the permanent Director from 1989-1990. Parrish was elected to the Irving City Council in 1991 and reelected in 1993. He was elected Mayor of Irving in 1995 and reelected to that position in 1997. He did not run for reelection in 1999. Two years later, Parrish was diagnosed with leukemia, and he died in 2009.

During Parrish's civic career, he was a strong advocate for public art, the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) system, development planning, the economic benefits provided to Irving by Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, and ethics reform. He also participated in the Chamber of Commerce, the Irving Heritage Society, and fundraising for healthcare facilities.

Scope and Content

The Morris Parrish Collection consists of material that Morris Parrish stored at his home until he donated it to the Irving Archives. Parrish collected the material over several decades from his time in the healthcare industry until shortly after the end of his political career. The material includes correspondence, Parrish's handwritten notes, newspaper clippings, reports, books, photographs, and memorabilia. The collection is contained in ten cubic-foot boxes and four flat boxes and is separated into eight series.

Series I is titled "Healthcare Administration Files" and contains 10 ½ linear inches of material related to Parrish's professional career from 1964 until his retirement in 1987, as well as his post-retirement work with various healthcare-related boards until 1996. The bulk of the material consists of reports and financial records. Series I also includes some printed material and Parrish's handwritten notes.

Series II is titled "Irving Chamber of Commerce Files" and contains 7 linear inches of material from 1973-2000. The material consists of reports and publications related to the operations of the Irving Chamber of Commerce, businesses in Irving, and Irving demographics.

Series III is titled "City of Irving Files" and contains 40 ½ linear inches of material related to the City of Irving government from 1981-2000. The series is further divided into eight subseries. Subseries A-F each contain a collection of files related to a particular topic. Subseries D "Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport" is related to conflicts between the airport and the City of Irving over airplane noise from 1990-1995. Subseries G "Notes" contains Parrish's notes from various meetings and notes he prepared for speeches. Subseries H "Subject Files" contains individual files on various subjects.

Series IV is titled "Correspondence" and contains 5 ½ linear inches of letters and greeting cards sent to Parrish and copies of letters written by him from 1967-1999.

Series V is titled "Events" and contains 2 linear inches of invitations and programs from various events from 1979-1998.

Series VI is titled "Photographs" and contains 2 linear inches of photographs, the bulk of which are 4 by 6 inch prints and are related to Parrish's time as a city council member and mayor during the 1990s.

Series VII is titled “Printed Material” and contains 10 linear inches of newspapers, books, posters and maps. The newspapers are dated 1941-1998, and the rest of the material is from the 1990s.

Series VIII is titled “Artifacts” and contains 4.8 cubic feet of three-dimensional objects collected by Parrish during his time as a city councilman and mayor. The material includes textiles, signs, plaques, and promotional and commemorative items from businesses and events in Irving.

Provenance Statement

The Morris Parrish Collection was donated to the Irving Archives in four accessions. Accession 9899-070 was donated on June 14, 1999. Accession 0001-064 was donated on February 26, 2001. Accession 0304-206 was donated on June 4, 2004. Accession 0607-155 was donated on March 2, 2006.

Literary Rights Statement

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Container List

Series I. Healthcare Administration Files, 1964-1996

Box 1

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- 1 Dallas Area Hospital Plan, 1964
Contains a hospital consultant’s report on the hospital needs of the Dallas area.
- 2 Irving Community Hospital Audit, 1973
Contains an accountant’s report on the hospital’s finances.
- 3 Irving Community Hospital Plan, 1978
Contains a report prepared by Morris Parrish titled “Long Range Plans, Irving Community Hospital, from 1978-2000.”
- 4-5 Irving Community Hospital Development, 1981

- Contains a report on a hospital consultant's study titled "A Development Program, Irving Community Hospital, Irving, Texas."
- 6 Irving Community Hospital Service Study, 1982
Contains a healthcare consultant's report titled "Health Care Study for Irving Community Hospital."
 - 7 Irving Community Hospital Bond Statement, 1982
Contains a revenue bond statement.
 - 8 Irving Community Hospital Strategic Plan, 1986
Contains a consultant's report on a study aimed at improving the hospital's quality of care and reducing its costs.
 - 9 Board of Trustees Guidelines, 1977-1986
Contains a 1986 board retreat agenda and guidelines published by the American Hospital Association in 1977 and 1982.
 - 10 Irving Community Hospital Planning, 1986, undated
Contains correspondence and notes related to a 1986 long-range planning meeting and undated notes related to planning.
 - 11 Irving Community Hospital Bond Statement, 1986
Contains a revenue bond statement.
 - 12 Irving Community Hospital Budget, 1987
Contains a budget for fiscal year 1988; and a set of financial statements from fiscal year 1987 (July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987).
 - 13 Board Meeting Material, 1987
Contains the following material from the September 23, 1987, Irving Community Hospital board meeting: agenda; memoranda; reports; minutes of committee meetings; financial statements; newspaper clippings; and newsletters.
 - 14-15 Irving Community Hospital Board Binder, 1987-1988
Contains a directory; bylaws; statistics; organizational charts; Irving Community Hospital foundation information; employee handbook; and property plat.
 - 16 Dallas County Board of Health, 1986-1989
Contains material related to the Dallas County Board of Health including: correspondence; meeting minutes; and bylaws.
 - 17 TexasFest, 1983-1996
Contains material related to the annual TexasFest fundraising event for Irving Community Hospital including: programs for the years 1983, 1984, and 1987; a bid catalog for the silent auction at the 1984 event; and an invitation to the 1996 event.

- 18 Newsletters, 1979-1992
Contains various newsletters published by Irving Community Hospital and the Irving Community Hospital Foundation from 1979-1987; and a 1992 article written by Morris Parrish for a national health care association's newsletter.
- 19 Board of Nurse Examiners, 1991-1995
Contains material related to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas including: a financial report; newsletter; and testimony given at a state legislature committee meeting.
- 20 Brochures, 1966-1980
Contains brochures from Memorial Baptist Hospital, Houston, Texas; Memorial Hospital, Nacogdoches, Texas; Irving Community Hospital; and the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council.
- 21 Holiday Greetings, 1964-1972, undated
Contains holiday greetings from Morris Parrish to hospital employees.
- 22-32 Speeches, 1951-1985, undated
Contains notes for speeches on the healthcare industry and religion from Morris Parrish's large accordion file labeled "Talks and speeches."
- 33 Management Appraisal Process, undated
Contains notes from a management seminar.

Series II. Irving Chamber of Commerce Files, 1973-2000

- 34 Bylaws, 1985
Contains the Irving Chamber of Commerce bylaws as amended in April 1985.
- 35 Survey of Businesses, 1973
Contains a report titled "A Survey of the Irving Business Community's Perception of the Irving Chamber of Commerce."
- 36-37 Long Range Planning, 1986
Contains material related to the Irving Chamber of Commerce Long Range Planning Committee including: survey reports; correspondence; the December 1986 issue of the chamber's *Insight* magazine; meeting agendas and minutes; and copies of articles on Dallas-area demographics and economic trends.
- 38 Planning Retreat Speech, 1992
Contains text of the opening remarks by Chairman David Brune at the February 1992 planning retreat.

- 39 Invitations, 1995-1997
Contains invitations to three chamber events.

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- 1 Fiftieth Anniversary Booklet, 1982
Contains a mock scrapbook-style booklet titled "Irving Chamber of Commerce, the First 50 Years: 1932-1982."
- 2 Promotional Folder, 1986
Contains a pocket folder with promotional material related to Irving's standard of living and business environment, including demographic data.
- 3 Annual Reports, 1987-1988
Contains two booklets published for chamber members. Each booklet contains a report on the chamber's activities from the previous year and its plans for the upcoming year.
- 4 *Business Focus*, 1995-1999
Contains seven issues of the Chamber's newsletter.
- 5-7 Membership Directory and City Guide, 1994-1996
Contains the Chamber's "Membership Directory, Relocation, Visitors Guide and Business Guide" for the years 1994-1995; 1995-1996; and 1996-1997.
- 8 Irving-Las Colinas Guide, 1997
Contains a Chamber-published guide to living and doing business in Irving.
- 9 Irving-Las Colinas Guide, 1999-2000
Contains two Chamber-published guides to living and doing business in Irving along with a compact disc and a VHS tape in a custom-made box.
- 10-11 Bus Tour, 2000
Contains a promotional booklet for the annual "Sell the Seller" tour of cultural amenities and real estate development projects in Irving. The booklet consists of the tour itinerary; promotional material for Irving real estate opportunities; information on City of Irving demographics and tax policies; fiber optic network maps; and a directory of chamber members.
- 12 DART Art Program, 1987
Contains a set of guidelines for the establishment and implementation of an art and design program for Dallas Area Rapid Transit stations.

- 13 South Irving Transit Center, 1988-1991
Contains material related to the effort to have public art pieces installed at the South Irving Transit Center including: correspondence; two draft requests for proposals; and an agenda and notes from a meeting of the South Irving Transit Center Art Committee. This folder also contains an agenda for a 1991 meeting of the South Irving Commuter Rail Art and Design Committee and a design sketch of the rail platform.
- 14 Irving Arts Board, 1987-1988
Contains material related to the Irving Arts Board including: guidelines for grant applicant evaluation; a plan for the board's 1987-1988 operations; and two issues of the board's *ARTimes* newsletter.
- 15 Irving Arts Board, 1988
Contains material related to the Irving Arts Board including: correspondence; meeting minutes; expense reports; financial reports; and committee reports.
- 16 Irving Arts Board, 1989-1992
Contains material related to the Irving Arts Board including: an invitation to the Irving Performing Arts Center groundbreaking; correspondence; and newspaper clippings.
- 17 Irving Arts Board Budget, 1988
Contains the board's budget for fiscal year 1988-1989.
- 18 Cultural Diversity, 1990
Contains a photocopy of a program for a series of events highlighting diversity through art presented by the Chicago Women's Caucus for Art.
- 19 Irving Arts Center Strategic Plan, 1991
Contains a plan for the Irving Arts Center developed by students at the University of Dallas.
- 20 Irving Arts Center Five Year Plan, 1992
Contains a financial plan for the center.
- 21 Non-profit Governance Seminar, 1992
Contains a guide to a seminar titled "Governance, Responsibility and Liability: What Every Non-Profit Board Member Should Know."
- 22 Project Proposals, 1995-1997
Contains proposals for an art and history museum in Irving and two public art sculpture projects for Irving.
- 23 Programs, 1995-2000
Contains a program for the 1995 Lyric Stage presentation of *Carnival*; a program for the Irving Symphony League's 1995 "Winter Wonderland"; and the Irving Symphony

Orchestra's April 15, 1998, program. Also contains a timeline for Lyric Stage productions for February-May 2000.

- 24 Arts Center Policies, 1999
Contains a copy of the Irving Arts Center's building utilization policies.
- 25 Public Art Investment, 1996
Contains a journal article titled "The Added Value of Art."
- 26 Public Art Report, 1998
Contains a report from the Irving Public Art Task Force which recommended the formation of a private non-profit organization for promoting public art in Irving.
- 27 Public Art Irving, 1999
Contains material related to a private non-profit organization named "Public Art Irving" including: a copy of its certificate of incorporation; correspondence; meeting agendas; articles of incorporation and bylaws; city ordinances; and meeting minutes.
- 28 Public Art Irving Master Plan Draft, 1999
Contains a plan for a public art project written by a consultant hired by Public Art Irving.
- 29 Public Art Master Plan Draft 2, c. 1999
Contains a document titled "Public Art Master Plan, City of Irving, Draft 2." The document mentions the Irving Public Art Task Force, Public Art Irving, and the consultant who wrote the plan in the preceding folder.
- 30 Public Art Irving, 1999-2000
Contains material related to a private non-profit organization named "Public Art Irving" including: correspondence; meeting agendas; and a list of members.
- 31 Community Cultural Plan, 1999
Contains correspondence of the Irving Community Cultural Plan Task Force and a draft of its plan for the development of Irving's cultural environment.
- 32 Community Cultural Plan, 1999
Contains a draft of the Irving Community Cultural Plan Task Force's plan for the development of Irving's cultural environment and a newspaper article about the plan.

Subseries B. City Staff, 1992-1994

- 33 Internal Controls, 1992
Contains three reports from an accounting firm on their examination of the management of various departments of the city government.
- 34 City Manager Search (1 of 2), 1993

Contains material related to the search for a new City Manager for the City of Irving including: correspondence; consultant advice to the City Council; schedule of interviews; resumes; a press release; and notes on the candidates.

35 City Manager Search (2 of 2), 1993

Contains a book compiled by executive search consultants and consisting of: job description; profiles of six finalists for the job; and a guide to making a job offer.

Series III. City of Irving Files, 1981-2000

Subseries B. City Staff, 1992-1994

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1-2 City Secretary Candidates, 1994

Contains information on six finalists for the City Secretary position.

3 Management Review, 1994

Contains a consultant's report on the City of Irving's management practices aimed at finding ways to save money and efficiently manage the city departments.

Subseries C. Budget and Finance, 1992-1994

4 Supplemental Benefit Plan, 1992

Contains a Texas Commerce Bank account statement for the City of Irving Supplemental Benefit Plan.

5 Tax Abatement, 1992

Contains material related to tax abatement policy and economic incentive programs including: correspondence; city resolutions; and reference material with examples of policies and programs in other cities.

6 Twin Wells Golf Course, Capital Improvements, 1992

Contains a letter from an accountant regarding money due to the city by the private company running the golf course; minutes of a meeting of a capital improvements bond sub-committee; and letter from the City Manager on behalf of a capital improvements bond sub-committee.

7-13 Economic and Demographic Data for 1992, 1992

Contains data compiled by the City of Irving Finance Department; a set of cash flow projections for the city's various funds for the fiscal year 1991-1992; a statement for a City of Irving bond sale; information about the city's insurance coverage; and information on water usage, taxes, and school enrollment.

14-15 Financial Report (1 of 2), 1993

Contains a comprehensive annual financial report for the 1992-1993 fiscal year prepared by the City of Irving Finance Department; a city council meeting agenda; and correspondence and reports related to a financial audit.

Series III. City of Irving Files, 1981-2000

Subseries C. Budget and Finance, 1992-1994

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16-23 Economic and Demographic Data for 1994, 1994

Contains data compiled by the City of Irving Finance Department; a set of cash flow projections for the city's various funds for the fiscal year 1993-1994; a statement for a City of Irving bond sale; information about the city's insurance coverage; a visitor's map; and information on water usage, taxes, and school enrollment.

Subseries D. Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, 1990-1995

24 Irving Response to Proposed Expansion, 1990

Contains a report submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration by the City of Irving raising concerns about the effects of increased airport noise on the city.

25-27 Airport File, 1990-1993, undated

Contains material related to the conflict between Irving and DFW Airport over runway expansion and airplane noise including: airport plans; correspondence; meeting agendas; reports; and news articles. From a single file folder labeled "Airport."

28 Aircraft Maintenance Noise, 1991

Contains a report by a scientific research consultant on the effects of noise caused by aircraft engine maintenance at DFW Airport on the surrounding community.

29-35 City Council Folder, 1991-1992

Contains material related to conflicts between DFW International Airport and the City of Irving including: reports; correspondence; newspaper clippings; and legal advice. From a single folder labeled "Councilman M. Parrish."

36-37 March 17, 1992 Committee Meeting, 1992

Contains material from a folder labeled "Airport Committee Mtg. 3/17/92" including: a U.S. Department of Transportation guide for people displaced by infrastructure projects; meeting agenda; letter from Irving resident; list of questions about the conflict with the airport; and a Federal Aviation Administration guide to land acquisition and relocation.

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- 1 March 23, 1992 Committee Meeting, 1992
Contains material from a folder labeled “Airport Committee Mtg. 3/23/92” including: a meeting agenda; and a statement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- 2 April 1, 1992 Work Session, 1992
Contains material from a folder labeled “April 1, 1992 Work Session, DFW Airport Expansion – City Plan” including: folder table of contents; and a letter to the superintendent of the Irving Independent School District. The remaining items in the table of contents are missing. Also contains a set of tables comparing various proposals to mitigate property value losses in Irving due to airport expansion.
- 3-4 April 9, 1992 City Council Meeting, 1992
Contains material related to airport expansion from a folder labeled “City Council Meeting 4/9/92” including: meeting agenda; schedule of airport-related meetings; correspondence; reports; and legal documents.
- 5-7 Response Planning, 1991-1992
Contains material related to city council plans on how to respond to the proposed expansion of DFW Airport including: proposals; correspondence; reports; city council resolutions; and an offer for media relations services.
- 8-10 Loose Material, 1992-1995, undated
Contains material arranged in chronological order related to the City of Irving’s conflict with DFW Airport including: correspondence; meeting agenda; newspaper clippings; outline of a proposal for an agreement between the city and airport; a Roy Brown for Mayor campaign letter discussing the airport issue; and legal advice.
- 11 FEIS Corrections, 1992
Contains corrections to the FAA’s final environmental impact statement for the DFW Airport expansion.
- 12 UPS Facility, 1992
Contains a copy of a zoning application for a UPS facility at DFW Airport in Grapevine.
- 13 DFW Mitigation Program, 1992
Contains a copy of a brochure explaining the DFW Airport’s mitigation program for property owners affected by runway expansion.

- 14 DFW Information Folder, 1991-1992
Contains a pocket folder with promotional material and reports on DFW International Airport's operations and finances.

Subseries E. Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau, 1989-1996

- 15 Proposed Budget, 1989
Contains a copy of the ICVB annual operating budget for fiscal year 1989-1990 as proposed in June 1989.
- 16 Proposed Budget Worksheets, 1989
Contains details of various items in the proposed ICVB budget.
- 17 Zero Base Budget Letter, 1989
Contains a detailed analysis of the proposed ICVB budget.
- 18 Budget Retreat, 1989
Contains reference material for an ICVB board meeting including: board minutes; budget and economic reports; and news articles. A particular focus is on the television and film industry.
- 19 Marino Trip, 1989
Contains material related to a visit to Irving sister city Marino, Italy, including: correspondence; schedules; and plans for a parade float, exhibit and future exchange programs.
- 20 Advertising Agency Award, 1989
Contains information related to an advertising contract including; notice to bidders; budget details; and agency proposal.
- 21 October 27, 1989 Board Meeting, 1989
Contains an agenda for an ICVB Board of Directors Meeting and related reports.
- 22 Irving Film Commission, 1989
Contains fiscal year 1990 communications plans for the ICVB and the Irving Film Commission.
- 23 Planning Meeting, 1989
Contains an agenda for an ICVB long range planning meeting and related reports and schedules.
- 24 Hotel Occupancy Tax, 1989
Contains a copy of amendments to the state law on hotel occupancy taxes.
- 25 Correspondence, 1989-1996

Contains ICVB correspondence from 1989. Also contains an ICVB newsletter from 1990; and a 1996 performance review plan for ICVB employees.

26 Trade Show Record, 1991

Contains a 7-inch record with the Elvis Presley songs “Heartbreak Hotel” and “I was the One” in a sleeve with information about the Irving’s Greatest Hits Trade Show printed on the sleeve.

27 Promotional Material, c. 1991

Contains material from a three-ring binder with information for prospective visitors to Irving.

28 Press Kit, c. 1991

Contains a pocket folder with press release style documents promoting tourism in Irving; Irving visitor’s guides; six photographic slides of Las Colinas landmarks; and a photographic print of a golf event at Four Seasons Las Colinas.

Subseries F. Urban Planning and Development, 1984-1997

29-34 Downtown Task Force, 1988-1990, undated

Contains material related to a downtown preservation and development advocacy group. The material includes correspondence; budget estimates; job descriptions; strategic plans; meeting agendas and minutes; newspaper clippings; and city council resolutions.

35-39 City Planning File, 1984-1993

Contains material from a folder labeled “City Planning.” The material includes: meeting agendas; proposed plans; correspondence; articles on planning and legal issues; reports; and brochures from planning associations and consulting firms.

40 City Boundaries, 1992

Contains correspondence related to a proposed land swap between Irving and Grand Prairie.

41 Planning Conference, 1992

Contains a photocopy of the program from the 1992 American Planning Association National Planning Conference.

42 Preservation and Redevelopment Board, 1991-1993

Contains a review of the board’s first eight months of activity; a development plan for the downtown area; a survey of downtown businesses; and a newsletter published by the board.

43 Demographics, 1992

Contains a demographics report by city planning staff.

- 44 Urban Diversity, 1993
Contains a program from a seminar on reducing conflicts between diverse groups.
- 45 Westside Mobile Home Park, 1993
Contains a report from a city Building Inspections Department inspection of Westside Mobile Home Park.
- 46 Valley Ranch, 1993-1995
Contains a Valley Ranch Area Study; and a meeting agenda with a glossary of planning and zoning terms.
- 47 Economic Development Boards, 1994
Contains the bylaws of the Plano Economic Development Board.
- 48 HUD Plan, 1996
Contains a summary of a plan to reform the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- 49 Emerging Needs Survey, 1974
Contains a summary of a 1974 survey of people in Irving by the Chamber of Commerce. According to a note on the first page, this document was given to Mayor Morris Parrish in 1996.
- 50 Urban Design Concept, undated
Contains a summary of an urban design concept developed for Irving.

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- 1-6 U.S. Conference of Mayors, 1997
Contains the program for the 1997 U.S. Conference of Mayors held in San Francisco, California; an agenda for the Health and Human Services Committee meeting; committee resolutions; a national action plan to control drugs; a U.S. Conference of Mayors newsletter; and clippings from San Francisco newspapers.

Subseries G. Notes, c. 1990s

- 7 Notes, c. 1990s
Contains notes from meetings; presentations; and speeches.
- 8 Notes, c. 1996
Contains a set of notes on City of Irving affairs.

Subseries H. Subject Files, 1981-1999

- 9 Alcohol at Texas Stadium, 1981, undated
Contains a 1981 city council resolution related to the sale of alcohol at Texas Stadium; minutes from the discussion of the resolution at a city council meeting; and an undated flyer encouraging residents to contact council members about the issue.
- 10 Area Personal Transit, 1991
Contains a plan to expand the Las Colinas shuttle service.
- 11 Byron Nelson Classic, 1996-1999
Contains access badges and parking passes for the annual golf tournament.
- 12-13 Byron Nelson Classic Programs, 1998-1999
Contains the collector's edition tournament programs (2 volumes) for the years 1998 and 1999.
- 14 Composting, 1994
Contains a "Home Composting Wheel" distributed by the City of Irving.
- 15 Council Code of Ethics, 1994
Contains notes on a council ethics controversy and ideas for reforms.
- 16 DART, 1994-1997
Contains material related to the opening of Dallas Area Rapid Transit system stations and a failed 1996 election to remove Irving from the system including: correspondence; reports; newspaper clippings; newsletters; campaign mailers; speeches; invitations to grand openings; and system maps.
- 17 Devolution, 1996
Contains material from the North Texas Summit on Devolution held on February 15, 1996. The summit was attended by federal, state, and local government officials. The topic was reducing the spending and responsibilities of the federal government. The material includes: a schedule of events; profiles of speakers; and reports on federal legislation. Also contains a *Federal Funds Watch* newsletter; and a glossary of "Common Terms in the Welfare Debate" with a compilation of Texas welfare statistics.
- 18 Elections, 1991-1995
Contains campaign material for Irving municipal elections and the 1992 U.S. Presidential Election.
- 19 Erosion Control, 1992
Contains an architect and engineer's report water erosion in Irving city parks.

- 20 Great American Race, 1989
Contains material related to the “Interstate Batteries Great American Race” classic rally and its stop in Irving including: a yearbook; newspaper clippings; and a decal.
- 21-24 Mayor’s Calendar, 1999
Contains the mayor’s calendar for January-May 1999.
- 25 NAFTA, 1993
Contains economic reports and news articles related to the North American Free Trade Agreement.
- 26 NEC Presentation, 1996
Contains notes from a presentation by NEC Corporate Networks Group.
- 27-28 Citizen Police Academy, 1998
Contains material from the Irving Citizen Police Academy, a program which taught citizens about the operations of the Irving Police Department.
- 29 IISD, 1987-1997
Contains material related to the Irving Independent School District including: a district map; correspondence; newsletters; statistics; and proposals for community involvement in schools.
- 30 IISD, 1989
Contains correspondence and reports related to the relationship between the City of Irving and the Irving Independent School District.
- 31 Charter Schools, 1996
Contains a news article about charter schools.
- 32 Transportation, 1999
Contains a North Central Texas Council of Governments transportation strategic plan.
- 33 Utilities, 1992
Contains a water consumption chart and an electric utility rate summary.
- 34 Veteran’s Memorial, 1999-2000
Contains records of the City of Irving Veterans Memorial Committee including: meeting agendas; minutes; and schedules.

Series IV. Correspondence, 1967-1999

35 Letters, 1967-1990
Contains letters written by and to Morris Parrish related to his work as a hospital administrator, his work with the Irving Arts Board, and his other civic activities.

36-42 Letters, 1991-1995
Contains letters written by and to Morris Parrish related to his tenure as City Councilman and Mayor, his work with the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners, and his other civic activities.

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1-6 Letters, 1995-1998
Contains letters written by and to Morris Parrish related to his tenure as Mayor.

7 Letters, undated
Contains letters written by and to Morris Parrish related to his tenure as City Councilman and Mayor.

8 Letters from Children, 1998
Contains letters to Morris Parrish from children who attended a Ticketmaster "Tickets for Kids" program.

9-12 Greeting Cards, 1987-1999, undated
Contains greeting cards sent to Morris Parrish.

Series V. Events, 1979-1998

13-16 Events, 1979-1998, undated
Contains invitations; programs; and certificates awarded to Morris Parrish.

17 GTE Headquarters, 1988, 1991
Contains newspaper articles about the relocation of GTE Corp. to Irving and correspondence related to the "Valve Turning Ceremony" to fill in the manmade lakes at the GTE campus.

18 Dallas Cowboys Tickets, 1993-1997
Contains invitations; Stadium Club passes; game tickets; and parking passes.

19 Dallas Cowboys Program, 1996
Contains the "NFL Game Day" program for the December 28, 1996, game.

- 20 Mohammed Burhanuddin, 1997-1998
Contains material related to a visit by the Indian Muslim religious leader to Irving to inaugurate an Islamic center including: correspondence; and a book commemorating his other visits to the United States.

Series VI. Photographs, 1908, 1979-1990s

- 21 Photographs, 1908, 1979, c. 1990s
Contains large-format photographs including a 1908 Irving street scene; Morris and Marge Parrish with Jerry Jones autographed by Jones; Morris Parrish with President Bill Clinton in the White House; a print of Parrish's U.S. Navy portrait with dates of deployment; and a drawing of the Caster Cabin in Irving Heritage Park.
- 22 Mayors Reception, 1987
Contains photographs of a reception for former Irving Mayors held at the home of Morris Parrish.
- 23 Leon, Mexico, c. 1996
Contains photographs taken in Leon, Mexico, including ones of a meeting with then governor Vincente Fox, who would later become President of Mexico, and the signing of a sister cities agreement with the mayor of Leon.
- 24 Folk Dance Show, c. 1990s
Contains a set of photographs from a show featuring folk dancing and music from around the world on a stage with a backdrop which reads "Irving 1st, a City with no Global Limits."
- 25 Photographs, c. 1990s
Contains 4 by 6 inch photographs from various events in Irving

Series VII. Printed Material, 1941-1999

- 26 *See the Arts*, 1990
Contains a book commemorating the opening of the Irving Arts Center titled *See the Arts in a Whole New Light*.
- 27 *The Mustangs of Las Colinas*, 1988
Contains a book on the creation of the Mustangs of Las Colinas sculpture.
- 28 Newsletters, 1991-1996
Contains the September 1991 *Irving Cityletter*; five issues of *The Controversial Committee Report*, June 1991, December 1991, January 1992, February 1992, and March 1992; the July 7, 1995, *Texas Contractor* with photo of Parrish at a groundbreaking event; the March 1996 *Regional Mobility Initiatives*; and the *Window on the Metroplex* anniversary issue 1996.

- 29 Oral History Interviewing Guide, 1987
Contains an oral history interviewing guide titled "The Grand Generation" and published to accompany a Smithsonian exhibition.
- 30 Carlos Terres, 1994
Contains a booklet celebrating the works of artist Carlos Terres.
- 31 Business News, 1997
Contains an issue of *Brownfield News* and an issue of *Texas Business*.
- 32 *High Technology Finland*, 1999
Contains a book promoting Finish industries.
- 33 Regensburg, 1995
Contains a book with photographs of architectural landmarks around Regensburg, Germany.
- 34 Amir Khalatbari, 1998
Contains an article by a local businessman about his time in the Iranian military.
- 35 "Making Sense of the Future," undated
Contains a photocopy of a booklet of advice on how public institutions can adapt to various changes in demographics, economics, and politics.
- 36 Jokes, undated
Contains humorous essays and cartoons.
- 37 Miscellaneous Photocopies, undated
Contains photocopied pages of material related to governance, history, and other topics.
- 38 Promotional Material, undated
Contains promotional material and solicitations from various businesses and civic organizations.
- 39 Trinity Broadcasting Network, 1998
Contains promotional material from the Christian media company which has a production studio in Irving, Texas.
- 40 University of Dallas, 1994
Contains a set of photographs of student artwork; and a financial report with a list of donors to the school.
- 41-42 Newspaper Clippings, 1955, 1975-1991
Contains articles about Irving Community Hospital and other local issues.

- 43 Newspaper Clippings, 1992-1994
Contains articles about local issues and national politics.
- 44-46 Newspaper Clippings, 1995-1998, undated
Contains articles about Irving and Dallas-Fort Worth-area politics and events.
- 47 Parrish Commentary, 1992-1994
Contains photocopies of guest commentary articles and letters to the editor written by Morris Parrish.

Box 7

Cookbook – Finnish cookbook *Lappi a la Carte*, featuring the cuisine of Lapland, 1995

Caricature of Morris Parrish from Sister City Leon, Mexico event, 1996

Commemorative Newspapers

Irving's Sesquicentennial News, 1985
Texas Sesquicentennial celebration news.

Irving News, 1990
Special report on the opening of the Irving Arts Center.

Dallas Morning News, 1998
70th anniversary of Industrial Properties Corporation.

Dallas Business Journal, 1997
20th anniversary issue.

Wall Calendars

Texas State Representative Gwyn Shea, 1991

United State Capitol Historical Society (4 calendars), 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988
All autographed by U.S. Representative Martin Frost.

American Heritage "The Civil War Calendar," 1989

Farmer Boy's Market (Irving, TX), 1963

Interstate Batteries "The Great American Race" (2 calendars), 1984, 1989

Airport Development Plan – A large format, bound copy of a 1991 development plan for Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Series VII. Printed Material, 1941-1999

Box 8

Newspapers - Contains portions of issues and full issues of the following:

Irving Citizen, 1951

Irving Daily News, 1969, 1987

Irving News, 1991, 1993-1998

Irving News Texan, 1963

Las Colinas Business News, 1996

Las Colinas Weekly, 1987

Dallas Morning News, 1963, 1969-1970, 1974, 1985-1986, 1991-1997

Dallas Times Herald, 1951

Beaumont Enterprise, 1943

Comanche Chief (Comanche, TX), 1941

Dallas Cowboys Official Weekly, 1995

East Texas Light and Champion, 1948, 1986

Fort worth Star Telegram, 1996

My Weekly Reader, 1963

USA Today, 1986

Flat File Cabinet Drawer 7

Posters

Several posters related to the Irving Arts Center and other theaters, art galleries and art-related events, 1990-1997

American Air Museum in Britain, c. 1992

Poster of the Alamo, no date

Looking Beyond the Horizon – North Irving Transit Center, July 26, 1995

World Health Day, April 7, 1996

Irving Welcomes PGA Tour, (Byron Nelson), no date

“Crossroads” Irving Transit Center signed by Robert Power and Dan Matkin, 1990

Maps

Site Plan Study for Criminal Justice Center, no date

City of Irving Base Map, 1991

Historical map of Washington D. C.

Series VIII. Artifacts, c. 1990s

Box 8

Metal sign – “City Council, Morris Parrish” 12 in. by 18 in., c. 1990s

Large magnet sign – “Sesquicentennial Pioneer Parade, City of Irving, Mayor: Morris Parrish” 11 in. by 23 in., c. 1990s

Box 9

Nigerian robe, no date

Box 10

Robes from dedication of mosque on Shady Grove, no date

Boxes 11-13

Commemorative and promotional items, c. 1996-1998

Contains items from businesses and events in Irving and around the world including bumper stickers, plaques, paper weights, badges, keychains, pens, coffee mugs, and others.

Box 14

Hats, no date

Contains promotional hats from the City of Irving and Irving-area civic groups and businesses.