

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 7th day of October 2015, the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Board of Directors met at 11:30 a.m. on the Third Floor, Room 306, City Hall, 509 Southeast 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Sunny Hodge-Campbell, Board Member	Y	3	3
Bryan Poff, Board Member	Y	1	1
William Biggs, Board Member	Y	1	1
Les Simpson, Board Member	N	76	57
Brian Eades, Councilmember & Board Member	Y	76	70
John Lutz, Board Member	Y	20	18
Randy Burkett, Councilmember & Board Member	Y	3	2
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS			
Jarrett Atkinson, City Manager	Y	76	75
Melissa Dailey, Executive Director of DAI	Y	76	74
Mercy Murguia, Potter County Commissioner	Y	20	11

Absent was Les Simpson.

Staff in Attendance:

William McKamie, Interim City Attorney; Michelle Bonner, Assistant City Manager; Jerry Danforth, Facilities Manager; Bob Cowell, Assistant City Manager and Liz Swearingen, Assistant City Secretary.

ITEM 1: The meeting was called to order by Mr. Atkinson as there were no presiding officers. Motion was made by Mr. Poff to appoint Sunny Hodge-Campbell as acting Presiding Officer, seconded by Mr. Burkett.

Voting AYE were Ms. Hodge-Campbell, Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Councilmember Eades, Councilmember Burkett and Mr. Lutz, voting No were none; the motion carried by a 6:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 2: Ms. Hodge-Campbell welcomed the two new members, Mr. Poff and Mr. Biggs.

ITEM 3A: Ms. Hodge-Campbell advised that officers needed to be appointed. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett, seconded by Mr. Biggs, to appoint Mr. Bryan Poff as President. Motion was made by Mr. Poff, seconded by Mr. Biggs to appoint Ms. Sunny Hodge-Campbell as Vice President. Motion was made by Mr. Poff, seconded by Mr. Burkett, to appoint the Assistant City Manager of Finance, Michelle Bonner as the Treasurer and the City Secretary, Frances Hibbs as the Secretary for the board.

Voting AYE were Ms. Hodge-Campbell, Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Councilmember Eades, Councilmember Burkett and Mr. Lutz, voting No were none; the motion carried by a 6:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 3B: Ms. Bonner presented the investment policy for approval. Motion was made by Mr. Biggs, seconded by Mr. Poff to approve the investment policy as presented.

Voting AYE were Ms. Hodge-Campbell, Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Councilmember Eades, Councilmember Burkett and Mr. Lutz, voting No were none; the motion carried by a 6:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 4: Minutes from the regular meeting held on September 29, 2015 were presented. Motion was made by Mr. Lutz and seconded by Mr. Poff to approve the minutes as presented.

Voting AYE were Ms. Hodge-Campbell, Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Councilmember Eades, Councilmember Burkett and Mr. Lutz, voting No were none; the motion carried by a 6:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 5: Mr. Atkinson and City staff presented project updates on the following items:

Project Parking Update, Buchanan Street Storm Sewer Project, TxDOT Streetscape Project, Xcel Energy/Southwestern Public Service Company Headquarters, Convention Center Parking, and Convention Center Hotel. Mr. Danforth advised that the parking lot was done and has been used for one event. Mr. Cowell advised that Buchanan Street is currently closed and close to completion for the Storm Sewer Project. Mr. Cowell advised that TxDOT is currently reviewing the plans on the Streetscape Project. The goal is to begin the project in February 2017. Mr. Danforth advised that architecture for the Convention Center Garage is 65-70 percent complete.

ITEM 7: Ms. Hodge-Campbell stated that at this time the Board would invite comments from interested citizens on matters directly pertaining to policies, programs or activities of the Amarillo Local Government Corporation. Craig Gualtiere, 4407 Southwest 3rd Avenue, stated the parking garage is expensive. He hopes that it is a competitive bid. Mr. Atkinson stated this would be competitive using a traditional bid format with plans and specifications that would be followed by all bidders. The bids would go out nationally, regionally, and at the state level, and should generate a large response. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, inquired if the bids would have an option with and without retail space. Mr. Atkinson stated LGC was under instructions by the City Council to include retail space.

There were no additional comments.

Items taken out of order.

ITEM 6: Mr. McKamie advised at 12:31 p.m. that the Board would convene in Closed Session after a short break in Closed Session to discuss the potential purchase, sale, or lease of downtown property, together with (i) economic incentives that may be available for a prospective or existing business and (ii) attorney-client communication and advice regarding same, per Texas Government Code sections 551.071, .072 and .087, as they relate to proposed projects for downtown redevelopment. The newly appointed board member, William Biggs was asked to stay for the closed session.

Mr. McKamie announced that the Closed Session was adjourned at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting.

ITEM 8: Future agenda items discussed by the Board are: potential Bylaw changes in the Ex-officio and the Sub-committee sections, ex-officio member status; a resolution for the date and time of the regular meetings; and discussion of including/not including retail space at the parking garage.

ITEM 9: Ms. Hodge-Campbell stated that the next meeting would be tentatively scheduled for October 21, 2015.

ITEM 10: Ms. Hodge-Campbell announced the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.



Bryan Poff, President

ATTEST:


Frances Hibbs, City Secretary