

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 16th day of May 2017, the Amarillo City Council met at 4:00 p.m. for a work session immediately followed by the regular session in the Council Chamber located on the third floor of City Hall at 509 Southeast 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

PAUL HARPOLE	MAYOR
ELISHA DEMERSON	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
LISA BLAKE	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
RANDY BURKETT	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3

Absent was Councilmember Mark Nair. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARED H. MILLER	CITY MANAGER
BOB COWELL	DEPUTY CITY MANAGER
MICK MCKAMIE	CITY ATTORNEY
BLAIR SNOW	MGMT. ANALYST PUBLIC SAFETY
FRANCES HIBBS	CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Howard Batson, First Baptist Church. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A proclamation was presented for "Children's Mental Health Awareness Day."

Mayor Harpole established a quorum, called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance and the following items of business were conducted:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Goodrich, 4111 Stony Point, stated he prepared a report concerning the public comment portion of the City Council meetings and asked the new Council to reconsider the process. There were no further comments.

ITEM 1: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett to approval of the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Blake.

- A. **Minutes:**
Approval of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting held on May 9, 2017.
- B. **Lease Agreement for Limited Uses – Lease Agreements between the Amarillo Police Department and a local organization for the limited use of office space by the Neighborhood Police Officer Units:**
This lease agreement for limited uses provides for office space in a designated neighborhood to be used by Amarillo Police Department for the Neighborhood Police Officer Units. These offices will be utilized for the purpose of general police activity, research, preparing reports, meetings with citizens, etc. The organization that has agreed to provide an office is: Eastridge Baptist Church.
- C. **Purchase – Landscaping Project for The Greenways Units #31 and #19:**
Award to Green Plains Design -- \$379,900.00
This item approves the contract for landscape, hardscape, and sidewalk improvements in Units #31 and #19 of The Greenways PID.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson and Burkett; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the regular election held on May 6, 2017. Motion was made that the following captioned resolution be passed by Councilmember Blake, seconded by Councilmember Demerson:

RESOLUTION NO. 05-16-17-1
A RESOLUTION CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE REGULAR ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF AMARILLO ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY 2017 FOR CITY OFFICES.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson and Burkett; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3: Remarks were made by outgoing Councilmembers regarding their service on the City Council.

ITEM 4: The Oath of Office for the incoming Mayor and Councilmembers was conducted by the Honorable Nancy Tanner.

There was a break at this time for a reception.

The Amarillo City Council members took their places on the dais and resumed the meeting:

GINGER NELSON	MAYOR
ELAINE HAYS	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
FREDA POWELL	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
EDDY SAUER	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
HOWARD SMITH	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

ITEM 5: Mayor Nelson and the Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith made brief comments regarding their service on the City Council.

ITEM 6: Mayor Nelson presented a second and final reading on an ordinance changing City Ordinance Section 16-3-131 pertaining to exit and entrance of parking establishments in the Central Business District (CBD) and required signage. The existing ordinance prohibits left turns upon exiting a parking establishment in the CBD, makes no distinction between one-way or two-way street operation, and allows for no exceptions. The ordinance modification will allow for exceptions to the left turn prohibition, particularly in cases where it would make sense from the standpoint of traffic flow and/or circulation. Motion was made by Councilmember Sauer, seconded by Councilmember Powell, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7667
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, CHAPTER 16-3, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 3, SECTION 16-3-131, PERTAINING TO EXIT AND ENTRANCE OF PARKING ESTABLISHMENTS IN CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND REQUIRED SIGNS.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 7: Mayor Nelson presented a second and final reading on an ordinance changing City Ordinance Article XXI, Section 16-3-1001, Schedule A, One-Way Streets. Currently Southeast 7th Avenue is an eastbound one-way street and Southeast 8th Avenue is a westbound one-way street. Both one-ways are effective from Adams Street to Buchanan Street. The request is to modify two blocks on the east end of the one-way pair. Change to two-way operation will better facilitate traffic movement in this area, particularly for vehicles exiting and entering the new City of Amarillo and Xcel Energy parking garages. Councilmember Smith asked what would be done to educate the public. Mr. Miller replied a public notice campaign and signage would be used. Mr.

Cowell stated the new traffic signal would use advanced signage for the two blocks. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:


ORDINANCE NO. 7668

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, CHAPTER 16-3, ARTICLE XXI, SECTION 16-3-1001, SCHEDULE A, TO MODIFY AN EXISTING ONE WAY STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

Mayor Nelson advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary



Ginger Nelson, Mayor