

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 7th day of November 2017, the Amarillo City Council met at 3:00 p.m. for a work session, and the regular session was held at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located on the third floor of City Hall at 509 Southeast 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

GINGER NELSON
ELAINE HAYS
FREDA POWELL
EDDY SAUER
HOWARD SMITH

MAYOR
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

Absent were none. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARED H. MILLER
MICHELLE BONNER
MICK MCKAMIE
ANDREW FREEMAN
FRANCES HIBBS

CITY MANAGER
DEPUTY CITY MANAGER
CITY ATTORNEY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MGR.
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Shawn Freeby, Hillside Christian Church. Mayor Nelson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamations were given for "Municipal Court Week," "Working Ranch Cowboys Association (WRCA)," "National Bible Week," and "National Hospice Care Month."

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, stated he wished to speak on the fallout from the resignation of Sherwin Cox. He inquired if Council had to file a disclosure of holdings and any conflicts of interest. Mr. McKamie replied Council is required to file a financial statement each April and they are public records. He further stated any conflicts of interest are also public records. Mr. Schenck inquired if there was an ethics code in the City Charter. Mr. McKamie replied there was not. Mr. Schenck commented the applications for board appointments were flooded, and expressed concern on the November 1 deadline. He further inquired why they were considering taking out the red light camera on Elmhurst Drive. Mr. Miller stated Mr. Cox had accepted a position as an employee of the City, but decided to resign yesterday. Cheryl Ashby, 8309 Progress Drive, spoke on Item 2, Ordinance No. 7685, she stated she was concerned about the drainage nearby. She inquired if the drainage would be assessed before approving the rezoning. She stated a six foot fence was not tall enough to separate the residential area. She also stated the traffic near I-27 traffic backs up and traffic diverts to her alley and there needs to be a sign indicating it was not a through street. Ken Miller, 8306 Progress Drive, also spoke on Item 2, Ordinance No. 7685. He presented photographs of the drainage area and stated it has not been maintained by the city very well. There were no further comments.

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

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.

A. **MINUTES:**

Approval of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting held on October 31, 2017.

- B. **ORDINANCE NO. 7683 – RENAMING OF CITY STREETS:**
(Contact: Andrew Freeman, Economic Development Manager)
This is the second and final reading of an ordinance establishing guidelines, criteria, and procedures related to the renaming of City streets.
- C. **ORDINANCE NO. 7684 – RENAMING OF CITY LAND AND FACILITIES:**
(Contact: Andrew Freeman, Economic Development Manager)
This is the second and final reading of an ordinance establishing guidelines, criteria, and procedures related to the renaming of City land and facilities.
- D. **APPROVAL – AVIATION CLEAR ZONE EASEMENTS:**
(Contact: Jeffrey English, Planner 1)
1) Aviation Clear Zone Easement, being 3,750 feet above mean sea level above the plat of Highland Park Village Unit No. 2, an addition to the City of Amarillo, being a replat of a portion of Lot 1, Block 23, Highland Park Village Unit No. 1, in Section 40, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas.
2) Aviation Clear Zone Easement, being 4,700 above mean sea level above the plat of South Georgia Place Unit No. 32, an addition to the City of Amarillo, being an unplatted tract of land in Section 183, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas.
- E. **APPROVAL – CONCRETE DRIVE LANE ON 5TH AVENUE:**
(Contact: Jerry Danforth, Facilities & Special Projects Administrator)
Award to Tri-State General Contracting Group, Inc. -- \$139,299.00
This item is for approval of a bid for the demo and installation of a new concrete drive lane on 5th Avenue between the Globe News Center and the Embassy Suites.
- F. **APPROVAL – DEMO OF AMARILLO CITY HALL PARKING LOT:**
(Contact: Jerry Danforth, Facilities & Special Projects Administrator)
Award to Holmes Construction -- \$149,945.00
This item is for approval for a fixed price bid for the City of Amarillo Demo of Amarillo City Hall parking lot on the south side, landscape, underground utilities, 1 block of Lincoln Street, 2 blocks of 7th Avenue, and area south to 8th Avenue.
- G. **APPROVE -- INTERLOCAL CONTRACT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (“DPS”):**
(Contact: Ed Drain, Chief of Police)
This item approves the contract with Texas Department of Public Safety (“DPS”) General Stores for the purchase of Alcohol Blood Test Kits and other supplies.
- H. **APPROVAL -- CITY OF AMARILLO 2017 INVESTMENT POLICY:**
(Contact: Laura Storrs, Finance Director)
This item approves the City of Amarillo’s 2017 Investment Policy.
- I. **APPROVAL – SUPPLY AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIRE TRUCK PARTS:**
(Contact: Sam Baucom, Deputy Fire Chief)
This item approves the supply agreement with Ferrara Apparatus, Inc. for \$70,000 for the purchase of proprietary parts for Ferrara built fire trucks of all types.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 2. Mayor Nelson presented the first reading of an ordinance to consider rezoning of a 21.95 acres tract of land in Section 40, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways to change from Agriculture District (A) to Heavy Commercial District (HC) and General Retail District (GR). (Vicinity: Interstate Highway 27 and Thunder Road.) This item was presented by Cody Balzen, Planner I. Floyd Hartman, CP&DE Director also spoke on this matter. Councilmember Hays inquired if this ordinance could require a taller fence. Mr. McKamie replied this was only a zoning change to this property. Mr. Miller commented

that the development standards could be changed. Mayor Nelson opened the public hearing. Wesley Ingram, 8308 Challenge Drive, stated he had privacy concerns and believed heavy commercial zoning could include a hotel and he was concerned about the traffic and light pollution. He further stated he had concerns about the flooding behind his house. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, stated the city needs to restrict building because it would lead to additional drainage issues. There were no further comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer, that the following captioned ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 7685

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE OF USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 27 AND THUNDER ROAD, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; Councilmember Hays abstained, the motion carried by a 4:0:1 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3. Mayor Nelson presented the first reading of an ordinance to consider amending the Planned Development District 386 (PD-386), by modifying specific screening requirements, for Lots 5A and a portion of Lot 5B, Block 8, Sunrise Addition Unit No. 4, and Lots 3, 4, and the west 38 feet of Lot 2, Block 8, Sunrise Addition Unit No. 2, in Section 123, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas. (Vicinity: Carter Street and I-40 East Frontage Road.) This item was presented by Jeffrey English, Planner 1. Mayor Nelson opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. Motion was made by Councilmember Hays, seconded by Councilmember Powell, that the following captioned ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 7684

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE OF USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF CARTER STREET AND INTERSTATE 40 EAST FRONTAGE ROAD, POTTER COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE, PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN 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.


ITEM 4. Mayor Nelson presented an item approving Change Order No. 2 for the replacement of a storm sewer junction box with a fiberglass manhole under the intersection of Southeast 8th Avenue and Lincoln Street. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Hays, that this item be approved.

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 5. Mayor Nelson presented an item approving the contract for the Amarillo River Road WRF Rehabilitation of Final Clarifiers 1, 2 and 6. This proposed project is to rehabilitate the three (3) existing Final Clarifiers whose equipment is beyond its service life and to be replaced with more efficient equipment. This item was presented by Floyd Hartman, CP&DE Director. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Hays, that this item be approved.

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.

ATTEST:


 Frances Hibbs, City Secretary


 Ginger Nelson, Mayor