

3STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 20th day of December 2017, 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
Bryan Poff, Jr., Board Member	Y	32	31
William Biggs, Vice President	Y	32	32
Eddy Sauer, Councilmember & Board Member	Y	9	8
John Lutz, President	Y	51	46
Howard Smith, Councilmember & Board Member	Y	9	9
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS			
Jared Miller, City Manager	Y	12	9
Mercy Murguia, Potter County Commissioner	Y	51	35

Absent were none.

Staff in Attendance:

William McKamie, City Attorney; Jerry Danforth, Facilities Manager, Andrew Freeman, Economic Development Manager, Frances Hibbs, City Secretary and Paul Matney.

ITEM 1: Mr. Lutz called the meeting to order.

ITEM 2: Minutes of the regular meeting held on November 29, 2017 were presented. Motion was made by Mr. Biggs to accept the minutes, and seconded by Dr. Sauer. The minutes were unanimously approved.

ITEM 3: Mr. Danforth presented updates on the Convention Center Parking Garage. He spoke on the need for a Downtown Parking Management, and stated the street and curb construction near the Convention Center Hotel was nearly complete. Mr. Danforth further stated the asphalt in the drive lane in front of City Hall should be done this week. The next step was to remove the area on Lincoln Street and 7th Avenue would be the last step. Mr. Smith inquired when the MPEV location would be finished. Mr. Danforth replied the site plan has been submitted and approved by the Planning Department. Mr. Miller inquired as to when the road demolition would be complete. Mr. Danforth replied by the end of January. Mr. Miller stated he would provide an update to the LGC board on the MPEV during executive session.

ITEM 4: Mr. Lutz advised that an appointment was needed to be made to the Executive Committee. Motion was made by Dr. Sauer to nominate Paul Matney to the Executive Committee, seconded by Mr. Biggs.

Voting AYE were Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Dr. Sauer, Mr. Lutz and Mr. Smith voting No were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Biggs explained the Executive Committee meets and brings the issues to the full LGC Board at their next meeting. He stated in the past they negotiated leases such as the retail agreement. Mr. Poff inquired if the Executive Committee could have communications with the full board or be provided a summary of the issues before a meeting without breaking the Open Meetings Act. Mr. McKamie replied any summary would also be public information. Mr. Lutz stated the Executive Committee would try to improve their visibility going forward. Mr. Biggs stated the Executive Committee provides reports on their meetings at the next available full LGC board meeting.

ITEM 5: Mr. Lutz stated the current members on the Parking Garage Revenue Enhancement Committee are: Mr. Biggs, Mr. Smith and Ms. Murguia. Motion was made by Mr. Biggs to approve the Resolution making the Parking Garage Revenue Enhancement Committee as a Standing Committee, seconded by Mr. Smith.

Voting AYE were Mr. Poff, Mr. Biggs, Dr. Sauer, Mr. Lutz and Mr. Smith voting No were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Lutz stated he and Mr. Biggs had a social lunch with the newly elected member, Michael Haning, and they would ask him to join this committee as well.

ITEM 6: Mr. Poff stated he would like a 2/3 rule for attendance better than a 3/4 or 75% rule. He further stated not having a set schedule sometimes made it difficult to attend. Mr. Smith stated he had lots of experience with boards and committees and he believed 75% was fine. Mr. Lutz stated his preference was to keep it at 75%. Mr. Poff withdrew his requested change.

ITEM 7: Mr. McKamie advised at 11:59 a.m. that the Board would convene in Closed Session per Texas Government Code section 551.071, consult with the attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter.

Mr. McKamie announced that the Closed Session was adjourned at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting.

ITEM 8: Mr. Lutz 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. There were no comments.

ITEM 9: Mr. Lutz inquired about items for the next agenda. Mr. Lutz suggested each board member come up with names for the subcommittee. Mr. Smith stated he would like to nominate Bob Garrett. Mr. Lutz suggested this as a possible item. Mr. Miller stated a need for a possible Executive Session to discuss the MPEV. Mr. Biggs inquired when Council would begin discussions on the downtown parking management. Mr. Miller stated he would also check on the boundaries.


ITEM 10: Mr. Lutz stated the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, 2018. Ms. Murguia stated she would be able to attend but would try by conference call.

ITEM 11: Mr. Lutz announced the meeting was adjourned.



John Lutz, President

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary