STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 7th day of June 2016, the Amarillo City Council met at 3:30 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:

PAUL HARPOLE
ELISHA L. DEMERSON
BRIAN EADES
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
MARK NAIR
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

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

TERRY CHILDERS INTERIM CITY MANAGER
MICK MCKAMIE CITY ATTORNEY
BLAIR SNOW MANAGEMENT ANALYST
FRANCES HIBBS CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Greg Dowell, Central Church of Christ. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A proclamation was presented for "World Refugee Day."

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

<u>ITEM 1</u>: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes for May 31, 2016. Motion was made by Councilmember Nair to approve the minutes; motion was seconded by Councilmember Burkett, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

Mr. Childers introduced new employees Robert Patrick, Director of Public Works and Russell Grubbs, Director of Utilities.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance of an ordinance rezoning of rezoning Lots 1-3 and Lots 22-24, Block 35, Bivins Addition Amended, in Section 187, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys and public ways to change from Planned Development 185A to Amended Planned Development for the addition of a gymnasium. Cheryl Austin, 116 West Cliffside Drive, inquired if the addresses could be put on these locations. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett, seconded by Councilmember Eades, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

# **ORDINANCE NO. 7605**

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 SOUTHWEST 16<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE AND SOUTH GEORGIA STREET, POTTER COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Demerson, Eades, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution authorizing the City to extend for oneyear the Bank Depositor Contract to June 30, 2017. The original contract executed on July 13, 2013 and allows for two additional one-year extensions, the first to run from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Michelle Bonner, Assistant City Manager, stated in 2013 the City of Amarillo went through the RPF process for the best evaluated responder. This contract was a three-year contract with two one-year extensions. The current three-year contract will expire in June 2016. They intend to go through RFP process in 2017. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, inquired if all City funds go through Bank of America. Mr. Childers stated Bank of America was the City's treasury bank and they handle large amounts of funds, but that the City does use other banks. Ms. Bonner further stated they have a secondary depository with Wells Fargo and also use Amarillo National Bank for investments, Amarillo Hospital District and the Amarillo Firemen's Retirement fund. Councilmember Nair stated that the new audit committee has discussed this extension. Mayor Harpole stated as an audit committee member, they will give a report next time to the full Council. Motion was made by Councilmember Nair, seconded by Councilmember Burkett, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-07-16-1 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS APPROVING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Demerson, Eades, Burkett and Nair; voting NO was Councilmember Demerson; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 4: Chief Robert Taylor stated a non-consent wrecker is called when the owner or driver does not have a choice or is unable to make a selection. Councilmember Demerson inquired if there was a consensus between the wrecker companies using light and heavy duty rotations. Chief Taylor stated five of the companies on the current rotation want the rotation to stay the same, four other companies were in attendance and two of those wanted separate rotations for light and heavy towing. David Ferril, 7503 Gainsborough Drive, stated training needs to be mandatory for heavy duty towing. He further stated these training programs should be required, to bring everyone together and set a standard on how to work the scenes, and clean the roads and highways safer and faster. Mr. McKamie stated they have done research on some of this information. Adam Taulbee, 3112 Padron Avenue, stated mandatory training would effectively create the inability to hire new drivers. Councilmember Demerson stated he has received feedback from newer towing services, and he wants to be sure Council is not creating unintended consequences.

Jeff Reese 7001 West Rockwell Road, Cierra Towing, stated heavy towing drivers need to be trained. He further stated heavy towing is completely different than light towing. Paula Hertwig Hopkins stated the City does not tolerate, and is not in the business of playing favorites. Allen Finegold, 2601 North Grand Street, suggested the City invest in the cost of the training. Mayor Harpole stated they may need to have more discussion on these issues. Dick Rogers, 7904 Goodnight Trail, stated the wreck master program was extremely expensive but training is very important. He also asked the Council to consider wrecker services as emergency services so that the drivers could take their vehicles home but wrecker emergency vehicles should be limited to the wreckers on the rotation list. Councilmember Demerson stated the need for more discussion before the first reading of the ordinance. Mr. Childers stated the wrecker committee has meet with the wrecker companies but Council could consider the idea of wreckers as emergency vehicles as part of Community Engagement. Mayor Harpole asked if that could be ready in two weeks. Mr. Demerson stated he would provide Paula Hertwig Hopkins with his feedback.

<u>ITEM 5</u>: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. There were none. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Nair.

A. Award of Contract – Agreement For Audit Services:

Connor, McMillon, Mitchell and Shennum, PLLC -- \$140,885

This agreement for audit services with Connor, McMillon, Mitchell and Shennum, PLLC is for a one-year contract with two one-year extensions.

# B. <u>Award --- Meter Reader Handheld Devices</u>:

HD Supply Waterworks -- \$86,260.00

This award is to approve the purchase of meter reader handheld devices for the City of Amarillo Utility Billing Department.

# C. <u>Award -- Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer for Laboratory Administration:</u>

Awarded to Perkin Elmer LAS Inc. -- \$177,892.60

This is a replacement for a laboratory instrument which is 18 years old. The instrument is used to analyze low trace metals in Drinking Water, Wastewater, and many City Departments. The instrument is also used to support several State TCEQ Permits.

### D. <u>Purchase – Truck with Dual Rear Wheels and Aerial Manlift:</u>

Silsbee Ford -- \$59,498.00

This item is an unscheduled replacement of unit 7309, 2011 Ford 1-ton Aerial Truck that was involved in an accident on 10/27/2015 that has been totaled. Replacement approved in the 2015-2016 budgets. This award will be used by the Traffic Field Operation department for daily operations. This bid represents a 13% increase from the last purchase. Funding for this award is available in the approved FY 2015-2016 Municipal Garage Rolling Stock Budget.

#### E. <u>Approval – Amendment #2, Lease Agreement: Rick Husband Amarillo</u> International Airport:

Lessee: CNS, LLC - Pantex Plant

Term: 5 year term (final option of original lease agreement)

Lease Info: Three buildings plus ground lease for total leased premises of 143,244 square feet.

This item approves Amendment #2 for three buildings and ground lease for leased premises at the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport. The amendment represents a 5.5% increase in lease revenues to the Airport.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Demerson, Eades, Burkett and Nair; Voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 6: Russell Grubbs, Director of Utilities, presented an overview of the water system and water conservation tips. Mr. Nair inquired if the City provided any incentive for using rain barrels. Jesse Pfrimmer, 5723 South Milam Street, stated the City has failed to recognize water conservationists. Allen Finegold, 2601 North Grand Street, urged the City to hold comprehensive discussions on rates and usage. Floyd Hartman stated an upcoming capital budget item would ask for a rate study and comprehensive new rate structures. Mr. Hartman further stated wastewater rates were averaged over the December, January and February months for usage. Cole Camp, 4402 Charlene Avenue, suggested the City look at a drought plan that is not pegged to water but weather conditions. He further stated he hoped the City continued to speak to the top users.

Mayor Harpole announced that this is the end of the regular agenda, but this time is reserved to hear from any citizen concerning matters pertaining to City policies, programs or services not on today's agenda. The public forum is set under the Open Meetings Act and that during the public forum the City Council can respond with a statement of fact, a statement of City policy or decide whether to place an item on a future agenda.

Shawn Fuller, 3801 Paramount, inquired if the City had authority to vacate the people living under the bridge on Fillmore Street if it was TxDot property. Mr. McKamie stated the ordinance covers all governmental owned property. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, inquired if Councilmember Eades was going to resign, and if so that Council should move ahead with the selection process. Cheryl Austin, 116 West Cliffside Drive, questioned the building codes and search and seizure warrants.

Laura Street, 5204 Spartanburg Drive, stated public servants serve all the people of the City. She implored Council that whoever they put in this position has the leadership to provide for our City. She further asked the Council to think very strongly about this appointment. Councilmember Burkett stated he had Facebook problems but he turned out to be good councilman. Tammy Bell,113 Alta Vista, stated Sandra is a great woman with knowledge, and she cannot be bullied by the AGN article.

Brittney Arturo, 6820 Rochelle Lane, asked if it was fair to base a person on their Facebook page. She stated it was because this is how a person represents themselves. Lorene Austin, 3603 South Lamar Street, stated who a person is on social media is who they are in real life. What a person does on social media can make or break a professional career. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Frances Hibbs, City Secretary

Paul Harpole, Mayor