

AGENDAS

FOR THE AMARILLO CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTMEBER 15, 2015 AT 4:30 P.M. ON THE THIRD FLOOR, ROOM 303, CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL, 509 SOUTHEAST 7th AVENUE, AMARILLO, TEXAS, AND FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AMARILLO CITY COUNCIL AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF CITY HALL.

Please note: *The City Council may take up items out of the order shown on any Agenda. The City Council reserves the right to discuss all or part of any item in an executive session at any time during a meeting or work session, as necessary and allowed by state law. Votes or final decisions are made only in open Regular or Special meetings, not in either a work session or executive session.*

WORK SESSION

A. City Council will discuss or receive reports on the following current matters or projects.

- (1) Review agenda items for the regular meeting, miscellaneous attachments; and appointments for the following boards and commissions:
Amarillo Hospital District Board of Managers
Animal Management & Welfare
Board of Review – Landmarks & Historic District
Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee
Downtown Urban Design Review Board
Library Advisory Board
Potter-Randall Appraisal Districts
Traffic Advisory Board
Zoning Board of Adjustment
- (2) Presentation and Discussion: Proposed FY 2015/2016 City of Amarillo Budget and related matters:
 - a. Proposed organizational structure;
 - b. Downtown Amarillo, Inc.
- (3) Discussion: exempting disabled and decorated veterans from parking charges at the airport;
- (4) Discuss and review proposed Chapter 380 guidelines; and
- (5) Consider future agenda items.

B. City Council may receive reports on or discuss any of the following pending projects or matters in Work Session or Regular Meeting:

- (1) Amarillo Economic Development Corporation incentive project and related matters;
- (2) Possible groundwater rights transactions in Potter, Carson, Roberts or Ochiltree Counties;
- (3) Downtown Development/Redevelopment (studies, progress reports, plans, projects or proposed projects – TIRZ No. 1, Center City, Inc., Downtown Amarillo, Inc. and/or Amarillo Local Government Corporation);
- (4) Proposed acquisition and disposition of real property for municipal, economic, recreational or cultural projects;
- (5) Confer with attorney and discuss threatened or pending litigation or settlement of same: Atmos (2012 rate case) Burch; Zambrana, Torres, West, Johnson, Mission Pipe and SPS 2014 Rate Case;
- (6) To deliberate regarding security devices or security audits, security personnel;
- (7) TxDot Right-of-Ways Maintenance, projects and improvements;
- (8) City's organizational structure; including Fire Marshall's office;
- (9) Recycling yard regulation;
- (10) Discuss and review City and TxDot Road Projects and 58th Avenues, Southwest 9th Avenue, Fulton Drive, and 2015 Overlay Program;
- (11) Stormwater management and update;

- (12) Amarillo Citizens for Open Government discussion; and
 - (13) Training and Qualifications of Model Police Departments.
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REGULAR MEETING ITEMS

INVOCATION: Davlyn Duesterhaus, Baptist St. Anthony's Health Systems

PROCLAMATIONS: "Constitution Week" (Sons of the American Revolution; Panhandle Plains SAR Chapter; Arredondo Chapter, Ester McCrory; and Llano Estacado Chapter), and "Life Insurance Awareness Month"

1. **MINUTES:**

Approval of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting held on September 8, 2015.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 7549:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance adopting the City of Amarillo budget for the 2015/2016 fiscal year. This budget allows for the City to continue providing effective public services, programs and assistance to Amarillo residents in the upcoming year.

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 7550:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance approving the City of Amarillo tax roll, setting an ad valorem property tax rate and levying a tax on all property subject to taxation within the City for the 2015 tax year. This ordinance establishes an ad valorem tax rate of \$0.32566 per \$100.00 property valuation for City maintenance and operations expenses and \$0.02506 per \$100.00 property valuation for existing debt expenses resulting in a total ad valorem rate of \$0.35072 per \$100.00 property valuation.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 4.50 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$6.51.

4. **RATIFICATION – CITY OF AMARILLO TAX RATE AND BUDGET:**

Pursuant to the terms of Tex. Loc. Gov. Code, Sec. 102.007(c), the City Council is required to take a separate ratification vote on the tax rate when the adopted budget requires more property tax revenue than did the previous year's budget.

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 7551:**

This is the first reading of an ordinance re-appointing existing judges now serving in the City of Amarillo Municipal Court. These appointments for a two (2) year period are as follows:

Sonya Letson – Full-time Presiding Judge
Jennifer Cates – Part-time Associate Judge
Inda Crawford – Part-time Associate Judge

6. **RESOLUTION – PUBLIC HEARING ON 2015 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS AND APPROVAL OF THE 2015 GRANT APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING FOR THE AMARILLO CITY TRANSIT SYSTEM:**

This resolution conducts a public hearing on the FY 2015 Program of Projects and authorizes the City of Amarillo to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for fiscal year 2014-2015 operating and capital assistance for the Amarillo City Transit Department. The City will receive an allocation from both the Federal Transit Authority Administration and the Texas Department of Transportation. The current year allocations are:

Federal FTA Funds	\$3,162,971
TxDOT Funds	\$ 396,680
Local Funds	\$1,738,221
Total Capital and Operating	\$5,297,872

7. **RESOLUTION – SETTING FEES:**

This resolution sets the fees for certain services performed by the Department of Public Health Department in accordance with Section 8-5-3 of the Amarillo Municipal Code. The Bi-City-County Health District Board has recommended the fees be adopted.

8. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

It is recommended that the following items be approved and that the City Manager be authorized to execute all documents necessary for each transaction:

A. **Approval – Engagement Letter for City of Amarillo Representation:**

Parties: Denton, Navarro, Rocha, Bernal Hyde & Zech, PC and the City of Amarillo

Terms and conditions as noted

This item approves an engagement letter for the City's upcoming labor negotiations with the Amarillo Police and Fire Fighters Associations. A Meet and Confer request was submitted by the Amarillo Professional Fire Fighters Association – Local 542 and City Council passed a Resolution on July 28, 2015, requesting recognition pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, 142.103; and a Meet and Confer request by the Amarillo Police Department requested recognition pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, 142.053 and Council passed this Resolution on August 25, 2015. This item is recommended by the Interim City Attorney.

B. **Approval – Change Order – Sanitary Sewer Main:**

Original Contract:	\$2,952,715.00
Previous Change Order:	\$ 0
Current Change Order:	<u>\$ 89,000.00</u>
Revised Contract:	\$3,041,715.00

This item approves change order number two (2) to the contract with Amarillo Utility Contractors, Inc. for the installation of the sanitary sewer main on Soncy Road. This change order will allow playa lake water to be pumped into an adjacent landowner's drainage basin allowing the contractor to keep the project on schedule. Funding for this project is available in the approved Utilities Division Capital Improvement Program budget.

9. **PRESENTATION:**

National Association of Clean Water Agencies – Wastewater Treatment Plant Awards

PUBLIC FORUM

Comments from interested citizens on matters pertaining to City policies, programs or services.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Boards and Commissions – appointments as listed on attached.

Amarillo City Hall is accessible to individuals with disabilities through its main entry on the south side (Southeast 7th Avenue) of the building. An access ramp leading to the main entry is located at the southwest corner of the building. Parking spaces for individuals with disabilities are available in the south parking lot. City Hall is equipped with restroom facilities, communications equipment and elevators that are accessible. Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations or a sign language interpreter must contact the City Secretary's Office 48 hours prior to meeting time by telephoning 378-3013 or the City TDD number at 378-4229.

Posted this 11th day of September 2015.