

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 3rd day of February 2015, the Amarillo City Council met at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall on the third floor in Room 303 in the Conference Room for review of agenda items, and consideration of future agenda items.

The City Council met at 5:30 p.m. in 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
ELLEN ROBERTSON GREEN	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
BRIAN EADES	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
LILIA ESCAJEDA	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
RONALD BOYD	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

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

JARRETT ATKINSON	CITY MANAGER
VICKI COVEY	DEPUTY CITY MANAGER
MARCUS NORRIS	CITY ATTORNEY
KELLEY SHAW	PLANNING DIRECTOR
FRANCES HIBBS	CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Kevin Deckard, Polk Street United Methodist Church. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamation was presented for "Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week."

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

ITEM 1: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes of January 27, 2015. Motion was made by Councilmember Boyd; motion was seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance conducting a public hearing on and considers the first reading of an ordinance renewing the designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 7, which encompasses the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation's Centerport Industrial Park, located in northeast Amarillo. This Zone was originally designated in February, 2010 and any such designation must be considered for renewal every five (5) years. The renewal of this Reinvestment Zone is necessary to allow for future consideration of possible property tax abatements for commercial and industrial businesses located in the Zone. Renewal of this designation does not grant a property tax abatement or amend any existing abatement agreements. Renewal of the designation continues the eligibility of the area for future consideration of an abatement(s) should such be presented. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda, seconded by Councilmember Eades, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7505

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL; RENEWING DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN AREAS AS REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 7 FOR COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT, CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE, CHAPTER 312, SUBCHAPTERS A & B, ESTABLISHING BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING A SEVERANCE CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 3: 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, motion was seconded by Councilmember Green, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

- A. Award – FPX Nano X-ray System:
Award to sole source provider: ADS, Inc. -- \$82,800.00

This item approves the purchase of two x-ray machines, displays and software for the Amarillo Police Department Bomb Squad. Funding for the purchase is available from a Homeland Security Grant and seized funds.

- B. Interlocal Cooperation Contract for Electronic Court and Related Documents:
Parties: Panhandle Regional Planning Commission and City of Amarillo
Cost: \$250 annual activation fee and \$2.50 per use for the first 500 uses with declining per unit costs thereafter

This item approves an Interlocal agreement with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) to access an electronic system to provide the capability to electronically handle documents used to file cases, complaints and request search warrants. The PRPC will function as the service provider and will offer this service to other law enforcement and judicial agencies, thus reducing the total overall cost of the system to each agency. Use of this system increases efficiency, accuracy and speed of acquiring, filing and approving necessary judicial documents by the Amarillo Police Department. Funding for the agreement and services is available within the approved Police Department operating budget.

- C. Approval – Airport Task Order No. 1:
RS&H, Inc. -- \$217,500

This item approves task order number 1 under the recently approved Airport On-Call Engineering and Architectural Services agreement. Task Order No. 1 under this five-year agreement is to develop a pavement condition index, pavement management program, pavement classification number analysis and related items. The results of this project will be used to evaluate and prioritize future pavement needs at the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport. Funding is available from Airport and FAA funds.

Mayor Harpole announced that this is the end of the regular agenda, but time is reserved to hear 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.

Bill Wright, 4712 Eagle Lane, stated he was present again today to speak about House Bill 2391 and the decision an officer has to issue a citation for possession of less than two ounces of marijuana. He further stated information he received from the Police Chief's office indicted there were 554 arrests last year for possession of under two ounces. Mayor Harpole inquired if Texas recognized medical marijuana. Mr. Norris replied no, but the law Mr. Wright was referring to provides that alternative, but it is Amarillo Police Department's policy to make an arrest. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned and the Council would return to Closed Session.

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary



Paul Harpole, Mayor