

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 31st day of March 2015, the Amarillo City Council met at 1:30 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 3:00 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
RONALD BOYD	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

Absent was Lilia Escajeda. 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 Mark Love, Central Church of Christ. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 March 24, 2015. Motion was made by Councilmember Boyd; motion was seconded by Councilmember Eades, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance changing the zoning of 97.88 acres of unplatted land, in Section 231, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, from Agricultural District to Residential District 2, in the vicinity of Bismarck Avenue and Georgia Street. This is recommended for approval by a 5:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7523

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 BISMARCK AVENUE AND GEORGIA
STREET, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A
SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE;
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades and Boyd; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance changing the zoning of 8.03 acres and 19.25 acres of unplatted land, in Section 40, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, from Agricultural District to Planned Development District 378 and Residential District 1, in the vicinity of Wesley Road and Liberty Circle North. This is recommended for approval by a 5:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7524

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 WESLEY ROAD AND LIBERTY CIRCLE NORTH, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades and Boyd; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution setting the date and time for a public hearing on April 21, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. to determine if the property at 1323 South Garfield Street, constitutes a public nuisance and thereby declared as a dangerous structure. A copy of this resolution will be mailed to all interested parties providing ten (10) days notice of public hearing. Motion was made by Councilmember Boyd, seconded by Councilmember Eades, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-31-15-1

A RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER CERTAIN CONDITIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AT THE LOCATION(S) STATED; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades and Boyd; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution expressing the City of Amarillo's support for the Texas Events Trust Fund and encourages the continued operation of the program as a way for Texas cities to compete for and attract events to their communities that provide entertainment, quality of life and economic benefits to residents and visitors alike. Mr. Atkinson stated the Events Trust Fund is offered by the State of Texas which consists of a partial rebate on the economic benefit from sales tax. The Fund requires an economic analysis after each event, keeps events from leaving the state and the community shares in its success. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-31-15-2

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: SUPPORT FOR CONTINUATION OF THE EVENTS TRUST FUND PROGRAMS.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades and Boyd; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole advised that an appointment is needed for a certain boards and commissions. Mr. Atkinson stated this board is exempted from term limits and is the former Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation board. Motion was made by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, and unanimously carried to reappointment to the Texas Panhandle Centers, Linda Brian, such term to expire March 29, 2018. Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades, and Boyd; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 7: 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 Boyd to approve the consent agenda, motion was seconded by Councilmember Eades, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

A. Purchase – Truck with Pro Patch System:

Award on Buyboard to Freightliner of Austin -- \$143,602.70

This item approves the purchase of a 35,000 GVW truck chassis with a mounted pothole patching apparatus. The purchase is unscheduled as the existing equipment is obsolete and replacement parts are unavailable. The cost represents a 19% increase from the last purchase in 2007. Funding

for the purchase is available in the Municipal Garage Rolling Stock Fund.

B. Approval – Real Estate Purchase:

Parties: City of Amarillo and Cedar Springs Leasing

Purchase Price: \$85,000

Terms and Conditions: As noted

This item approves the purchase of 76.99 +/- acres in the general area of S.W. 58th Avenue and Georgia Street. The property currently consists of 3 drainage lakes and undeveloped land within the base flood plain as shown on the attached map. The City will use this property to enhance and improve drainage and to support additional development in the associated drainage basin. Funding for this purchase is available in the Drainage Utility fund.

C. Approval – HIV Prevention Program Grant:

Texas Department of State Health Services -- \$210,250.00

This item approves the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of State Health Services for HIV testing, early intervention-counseling and linkages to care for high risk populations. The funding allocation reflects level funding. The contract period will be September 2015 through August 2016.

D. Dedications and Acceptances:

Dedication of 0.008 acres for public right-of-way purposes in Section 72, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas for improvements on Centerport Boulevard.


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.

Allen Finegold, 2601 North Grand Street, inquired about the recent advertisements in the *Amarillo Globe News* concerning the City's fee on property with nondraining surfaces. Mayor Harpole stated a study was done in 1985 on needed drainage issues and numerous public meetings were held. The funds are kept in a special Enterprise Fund. Those funds are dedicated to prevent flooding in the future. The City has begun to put drainage underground which is necessary for further growth of the City. Mayor Harpole stated his concerns from the anonymous author. Councilmember Green stated a boy had drowned due to flooding two blocks from where she lives. Mayor Harpole stated FEMA has redrawn drainage maps. The current project on Martin Road Lake will lower insurance premiums and protect surrounding homes in the current floodplain.

Robert Goodrich, 4111 Stony Point, stated he was concerned about Mayor Harpole's comments on holding additional meetings when he has not done so in the past. There were no further comments.

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

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary



Paul Harpole, Mayor