

AGENDAS

FOR THE AMARILLO CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014 AT 1:30 P.M. ON THE THIRD FLOOR, ROOM 303, CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL, 509 S. E. 7th AVENUE, AMARILLO, TEXAS, AND FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AMARILLO CITY COUNCIL AT 3:00 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 Local Government Corporation
 - Board of Hospital Managers
 - Library Board
 - Texas Panhandle Centers
 - Zoning Board of Adjustment
- (2) Discussion Proposed 2014/2015 Fiscal Year City of Amarillo Budget;
- (3) Presentation and Discussion of the proposed 2014/2015 Fiscal Year Budgets and Program of Services for:
 - Center City, Inc.
 - Downtown Amarillo, Inc.
- (4) Presentation and Discussion of the TZI Shelter Assessment;
- (5) Presentation and Discussion of the Proposed Downtown Design Standard Revisions;
- (6) 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;
 - (2) Possible groundwater rights transactions in Hartley, Potter, Carson, Roberts or Ochiltree Counties; including Canadian River Municipal Water Authority and related acquisitions;
 - (3) Downtown Development/Redevelopment (studies, progress reports, plans, 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; APM and Boyd;
 - (6) To deliberate regarding security devices or security audits, security personnel;
 - (7) Discuss Animal Management and Welfare Management and Operations;
 - (8) Refugee resettlement;
 - (9) Boards and Commissions review and update;
 - (10) Texas Transportation Commission, TxDot Right-of-Ways Maintenance and Improvements; and
 - (11) Texas Railroad Commission and Texas Racing Commission Rules and Related matters.
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REGULAR MEETING ITEMS

INVOCATION: Gene Shelburne, Anna Street Church of Christ

PROCLAMATIONS: "Realtor Day"

"Constitution Week," Panhandle Plains SAR Chapter, Llano Estacado Chapter, Esther McCrory Chapter, and Arredondo Chapter

1. **MINUTES:**

Approval of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 2014.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING ON FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015 BUDGET:**

This Budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$764,289 or 2.15%, and of that amount \$644,297 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 7484:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance adopting the City of Amarillo budget for the 2014/2015 fiscal year. This budget allows for the City to continue providing effective public services, programs and assistance to Amarillo residents in the upcoming year.

4. **ORDINANCE NO. 7485:**

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 2014 tax year. This ordinance establishes an ad valorem tax rate of \$0.31915 per \$100.00 property valuation for City maintenance and operations expenses and \$0.02594 per \$100.00 property valuation for existing debt expenses resulting in a total ad valorem rate of \$0.34509 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 3.92 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$5.80.

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

Pursuant to the terms of Tex. Loc. Gov. Code, Sec. 102.007(c), the City Commission 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.

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 7487:**

This is first reading of an ordinance approving a negotiated settlement agreement on Southwestern Public Service Company's proposed increase in electrical rates. The agreement was negotiated and is recommended by the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities and the special counsel and consultants hired by the Alliance. If approved, the proposed settlement will result in an overall increase of \$37 million rather than the requested \$81.5 million. Impact to the average residential customer will be approximately a 8% increase.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 7488:**

This is the first reading of an ordinance changing the zoning of a 14.41 acre tract of unplatted land in Section 39, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, from Agricultural District to General Retail District, in the vicinity of Soncy Road and Hillside Road for the next phase of The Greenways at Hillside subdivision. This is recommended for approval by a 7:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 7489:**

This is the first reading of an ordinance amending the Amarillo Municipal Code, Chapter 4-3, to clarify when a residential building permit must be obtained.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 7486:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance adding Chapter 14-10 to the Amarillo Municipal Code concerning "Credit Access Business." This chapter provides definitions, registration requirements, credit extension guidelines, inspection of records and other pertinent matters for businesses engaged in credit lending practices commonly known as payday and auto title lending.

10. **APPOINTMENTS – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

Appointment is needed for the following board:

Amarillo-Potter Events Venue District (2 year terms)

10/01/2001	Tom Bivins	10/01/2014
10/01/2004	Dean Roper	10/01/2014

11. **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 – Amendment #5 to Pantex Agreement in Principle (AIP) Agreement:
Granting Agency: State Energy Conservation Office

This item approves the fifth (5th) amendment to the Agreement in Principle (AIP) contract with the State Energy Conservation Office. The AIP provides funding to the City's Office of Emergency Management to provide ongoing planning, coordination and response efforts related to the activities at the Pantex Plant. A portion of the funding will provide for hazardous materials training for the Amarillo Fire Department. This amendment carries over \$34,383.42 funding from FY2013 and 2014, and provides new funding of \$123,440.00 for FY2015.

- B. Approval – Agreement for Services with Center City of Amarillo, Inc.:

This item approves a one (1) year agreement with Center City of Amarillo, Inc. for services associated with the preservation, improvement and revitalization of the Central Business District of Amarillo. Two sources of funding are included in the agreement:

1. The City will provide \$90,000.00 for administrative operations;
2. The City will provide \$70,000.00 as matching funds for a Center City façade grant program (\$160,000 total);
3. The Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 will provide \$150,000.00 for matching grants up to \$50,000.00 for streetscape improvements in the City's right of way.

- C. Approval – Agreement for Services with Downtown Amarillo, Inc.:

This item approves a one (1) year agreement with Downtown Amarillo, Inc. for services associated with the implementation of the approved Downtown Amarillo Strategic Action Plan, the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 (TIRZ) Project and Financing Plan, and the Civic Center Area Redevelopment Plan for the revitalization of downtown Amarillo. In consideration for these services, the City of Amarillo is to provide \$276,298 in total funding.

- D. Approval – Continuum of Care Grant Agreements:

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
FY 2013 Continuum of Care Program Grants -- \$765,026.00

This item approves the FY 2013 Continuum of Care grant agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the continuation of the following programs:

Shelter Plus Care -- \$362,520

Provides rental assistance to homeless persons with disabilities and their families, primarily, those with serious mental illness or chronic problems with alcohol or drugs. Case management is provided by Texas Panhandle Services.

Transitional Housing -- \$311,418

Provides rental assistance to homeless families with children referred from shelters and community agencies. Supportive services and case management is provided by Downtown Women's Center.

Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) -- \$91,088

Provides the software licenses and annual service support for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HMIS is a computerized data management and collection software system required for the provision of services.

E. Approval – Agreement for Construction Services:

Suddenlink Communications -- \$139,900.00

This item approves a fixed price agreement with Suddenlink Communications for the relocation of existing and installation of additional fiber optic and other communication lines between City facilities in downtown Amarillo. This project will provide for the relocation of lines necessary for the downtown projects and also install additional lines necessary to provide redundant communication paths for critical City facilities in the area. Funding for this project is available in the approved downtown utility relocation Capital Improvement Program projects.

F. Approval – Office Supplies Annual Supply Agreement:

Officewise Furniture and Supply, Inc.

Region 16 Tex-Buy Contract #014-001 -- \$275,000.00

This item approves a non-exclusive annual contract to provide and deliver office supplies for use by various City Departments. The contract term is for one-year with the option for three (3) one-year renewals. This agreement is estimated at \$275,000 which is a savings of 11.4% over the last contract.

G. Award – Civic Center Carpet Replacement in Heritage Room:

LVR Carpet of Lubbock – \$196,563.64

This item awards a contract for the replacement of the original carpet in the Heritage Room of the Amarillo Civic Center. This purchase is based on pricing in the TXMAS State Contract #13-72020-21. The carpet was installed as part of the 2003 Civic Center expansion. The contract cost is 2% less than budget estimate. Funding for the purchase is available in the approved Civic Center Capital Improvement Program for carpet replacement.

H. Approval – Aviation Clear Zone Easement:

Aviation Clear Zone Easement being 3,570 feet MSL above the plat of Freeman Subdivision Unit No. 4, in Section 74, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, from Robert Keys.

I. Dedications and Acceptances:

- 1) A 20' public utility easement and a 50' temporary construction easement out of Section 46, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, Texas
- 2) A 10' public utility easement and a 50' temporary construction easement out of Section 62, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, Texas.

12. PRESENTATIONS:

- 1) Award for Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)
- 2) 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. Planning and Zoning Commission, minutes of August 25, 2014.
2. 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 12th day of September 2014.