

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 14th day of January 2014, 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 E. 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
JIM SIMMS	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 Councilmember Jim Simms. 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 January 7, 2014. Motion was made by Councilmember Simms; motion was seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending Chapter 16-3-1002, Traffic Schedule B, of the Amarillo Municipal Code. This amendment will make the following changes to the speed limits on Interstate 27 (Canyon Drive):

- Interstate 27, Main Lanes from Washington Street to Hillside Road – 60 miles per hour
- Interstate 27, Main Lanes from Hillside Road to Bell Street – 65 miles per hour
- Interstate 27, Main Lanes from Bell Street to South City Limits – 75 miles per hour

The proposed changes are requested by the Amarillo Police Department and have been verified through a recent speed study and review by the Texas Department of Transportation. The Traffic Commission has reviewed and approved the requested changes. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on the second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7444

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, CHAPTER 16-3, ARTICLE XXI, SECTION 16-3-1002, CHANGING THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT ON SEGMENTS OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 27; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CONTINUATION OF PRIOR LAW, PENALTY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO was Councilmember Eades; the motion carried by a 4:1:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution conducting a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1644 South Cleveland Street. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades and seconded by Councilmember Green to table this Resolution for two weeks and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION 01-14-14-1

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE PUBLIC NUISANCES, AND REQUIRING THE TAKING DOWN AND REMOVAL OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF LIENS; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERANCE CLAUSE; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE.

Scott McDonald, Building Official and Piedad Arebalo, 1107 South Arthur, Victoria Arebalo, 2406 South Garfield, and Rosa Padilla, 2002 South Cleveland were sworn in. Mr. McDonald stated the property at 1644 South Cleveland Street is a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment and demolition and cleanup is recommended. The property was posted with a notice of condemnation hearing placard onsite January 6, 2014. No permits have been issued. There are \$208.62 current taxes due on the property and no delinquent taxes are due. There has been no water service on the property since January 1992. There are \$296.11 liens owed to the City for prior mowing and cleanup on the property.

Ms. Arebalo appeared and stated she had purchased the property in 1991 from her grandparents. She had intended to use the property for storage. She further stated she was in the process of selling the property but does not have clear title. Ms. Padilla, the great-granddaughter of Jesus Arebalo and his daughter, Victoria Arebalo, stated Victor Arebalo passed away about ten years ago. They may be interested in the lot and not clear on the decisions made on the ownership of the property. Mr. Norris recommended to the Council that this item be tabled until it can be determined what other parties may have an interest in the property and be entitled to notice of this proceeding.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution conducting a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 3702 Southeast 13th Avenue. Motion was made by Councilmember Green and seconded by Councilmember Simms to table this Resolution for two weeks and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION 01-14-14-2

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS DESCRIBED HEREIN ARE PUBLIC NUISANCES, AND REQUIRING THE TAKING DOWN AND REMOVAL OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF LIENS; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERANCE CLAUSE; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE.

Scott McDonald, Building Official, Aurora Pereida, 3209 Carter Street, Sulema Lang, 2502 Southwest 1st Avenue, and Christina Lang, 205 North Forest Street were sworn in. Mr. McDonald stated the property at 3702 Southeast 13th Avenue had fire damage in December 2006, is a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment and demolition and cleanup is recommended. The property was posted with a notice of condemnation hearing placard onsite January 6, 2014. There has been no permit activity. There are \$483.16 current taxes due on the property and no delinquent taxes are due. There has been no water service on the property since February 2007. The property has been maintained the last couple years by a City contractor but there are no liens currently owed to the City.

Ms. Pereida stated she was the sister-in-law to Maria Torres and she currently lives with her and cares for her. She stated she has power of attorney for Maria Torres and Jesus Torres is deceased. Maria Torres has one adopted daughter, Sulema Lang. Ms. Lang stated she had not received any notice on the property. Also in the audience was Christina Lang. Mr. Norris recommended to the Council that this item also be tabled until it can be determined what other parties may have an interest in the property and be entitled to notice of this proceeding.

ITEM 5: 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, 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. Purchase – Ammunition:
Award on Buyboard Cooperative Purchasing Contract -- \$69,157.57

This item is the purchase of ammunition for use by the Amarillo Police Department and the Amarillo Shooting Complex. The purchase includes duty and training ammunition for the Amarillo Police Department and also ammunition for use at the Complex. Funding for this purchase is available in the approved FY 2013-2014 Police Department operating budget.

- B. Purchase – Residential Solid Waste Refuse Bags:
Award to low responsive bidder: Dyna Pak Corp. -- \$77,700.00

This item approves the purchase of refuse bags used by the Solid Waste Collection Department. Bags are provided to residential customers located on hand-pickup routes. This purchase is for 105,000 pounds of bags that will supply the customers on these routes for one year. This year's purchase reflects an additional 5,000 pounds of bags. The proposed purchase is less than the budgeted amount. Funding for this purchase is available in the approved FY 2013-2014 Solid Waste Collection Department operating budget.

- C. Approval – Landfill Scale House Engineering Services:
Award to best evaluated proposer: CP&Y, Inc. – \$69,675.00

This item approves a contract for engineering services for the design and construction of a new scale house at the Amarillo Landfill. The project includes the installation of new scales. The current scales, installed in the early 1990s, are nearing the end of their useful life. Funding for the project is available in the Solid Waste Improvement Fund.

- D. Approval – License and Hold Harmless Agreements:
1) Assignment of License and Hold Harmless to Cascade Pipeline LLC previously Key Pipelines Ltd., in Sections 106 and 123, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas.

- E. Approval – Aviation Clear Zone Easement:
1) Aviation Clear Zone Easement being 4,750 feet MSL above the plat of Holiday South Unit No. 9, in Section 177, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, from Joy Gail Graham.
2) Aviation Clear Zone Easement being 3,600 feet MSL above the plat of Whitaker's Subdivision Unit No. 2, in Section 92, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, from Felipe and Alberto Ramirez.

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.

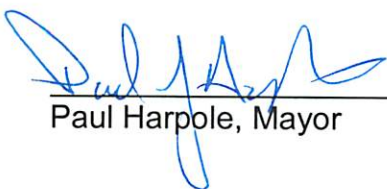
Sue Garcia, 5216 Westway, inquired as to what if any recycling plans that the City may have in place. Mayor Harpole stated that recycling is not viable and therefore not profitable due to commodity prices and transportation costs. Mr. Atkinson stated a private business, K&B Recycling, offers curbside service to customers who want to pay a monthly fee. Stephanie Tucker, 4213 South Austin, stated the Amarillo Venom had a press conference today announcing an international exhibition game with a team from Mexico City on March 23, 2014. Dan Quandt, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, stated the CVC was excited about this opportunity with the Lone Star Football League. 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