STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 10th day of June 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 S.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

Absent was Jim Simms. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

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

The invocation was given by Davlyn Duesterhaus, Baptist St. Anthony's Health Systems. 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:

<u>ITEM 1</u>: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes of June 3, 2014. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda; motion was seconded by Councilmember Eades, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending Chapter 8-4, Article II, Section 8-4-21 of the Amarillo Municipal Code regarding adding aircraft, watercraft and recreational vehicles to the definitions. Mr. Atkinson explained because of changes in state laws over the years, this amendment added definitions for aircraft and watercraft so Building Safety could enforce the definition of junk and abandon vehicles as they work to keep the neighborhoods clean. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades, seconded by Councilmember Green, and that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7463

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, CHAPTER 8-4, ARTICLE II, SECTION 8-4-21 ADDING AIRCRAFT, WATERCRAFT AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas State Comptroller to seek state funds for the purpose of attracting and retaining events in Amarillo. The City of Amarillo, as the host community of the 2014 World Championship Ranch Rodeo and other eligible events, is eligible to receive a rebate of the lesser of half the sales tax generated by the event or half of the cost of hosting the event. If approved, the funds received will be utilized to provide local incentives to retain, pursue, and enhance the events that would be hosted in Amarillo. If this resolution is approved, subsequent approval of a participation agreement is consent agenda Item 7C. Motion was made by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, and that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION 06-10-14-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SEEK AND DISTRIBUTE STATE FUNDS, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5190.14, SECTION 5C OF THE TEXAS REVISED CIVIL STATUTES, A QUALIFYING EVENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CAUSE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution conducting a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of two substandard structures located at 911 Southwest 1st Avenue. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda to select options ii and v, seconded by Councilmember Eades, and that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION 06-10-14-2

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 was sworn in and stated the fire damaged residential wood structure and detached garage at 911 Southwest 1st Avenue is a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment and demolition and cleanup is recommended. It has been vacant for seven years. The original placard was posted on May 13, 2014. There has been no permit activity. There are no current taxes due on the property and no delinquent taxes due. There has been no water service on the property since December 2006. There is \$452.82 owed to the City for prior mowing and cleanup on the property.

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

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution conducting a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard manufactured home structure located at 918 North Washington Street. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades to select options ii and v, seconded by Councilmember Green, and that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION 06-10-14-3

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 was sworn in and stated the property at 918 North Washington Street is a manufacture home and a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment and demolition and cleanup is recommended. The original placard was posted on May 13, 2014. There has been no permit activity or repairs made by the owners. There are no current taxes due on the property and no delinquent taxes due. There has been no water service on the property since January 2013. There are no liens owed to the City for prior mowing and cleanup on the property.

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

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ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole advised that appointment are needed for the Board of Review-Landmarks & Historic District. Motion was made by Councilmember Green seconded by Councilmember Escajeda and unanimously carried to appoint Chan Davidson, Linda Pitner and Trey Porter to replace Jacy Jenks, Betty Trotter and a vacancy and to the Board of Review-Landmarks & Historic District, such terms to expire on 05/21/2017. Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Coucilmembers Green, Eades, and Escajeda; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Council.

<u>ITEM 7</u>: 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 Escajeda, 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. Award – Fire Hydrant Installations and Valve Replacement:

Award to low responsive bidder: Amarillo Utility Contractors, Inc. -- \$198,926.75

This item awards a construction contract for the replacement of a 24 inch water valve on Plains Blvd. and the installation of new three (3) new fire hydrants at school locations. The installation of the new hydrants will improve fire coverage for Eastridge, Will Rogers and Mesa Verde elementary schools. Funding for this contract is available from the approved FY 2013/2014 Utilities Division Capital Improvement Project budgets and the 2013 Water Expansion and Improvement Fund.

B. <u>Award – Rehabilitation of Sanitary Sewer Mains:</u>

Award to low responsive bidder: Amarillo Utility Contractors, Inc. -- \$758,362.40

This item awards a construction contract for the rehabilitation of deteriorating six (6) to eight (8) inch sanitary sewer mains using the pipebursting method. The mains are in various residential additions including North Heights, Westlawn, Southlawn, Washington Center, Eastridge, and East Amarillo. Funding for the project is available in the Approved 2014 Utilities Division Capital Improvements budget.

C. <u>Approval – Event Support Contract for 2014 World Championship Ranch Rodeo</u>:

This item approves an agreement between the Working Ranch Cowboy Association and the City of Amarillo to secure eligibility for the possible rebate of the state portion of the sales tax attributable to the Working Ranch Cowboy Association event held in Amarillo. Funds received from any state sales tax rebate will be used to create a funding mechanism to support and promote events such as the World Championship Ranch Rodeo. This agreement relates to the resolution above in Item 3.

D. <u>Dedications and Acceptances:</u>

- Three tracts of land for public right of way purposes in Section 136, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County for Americans with Disabilities Act improvements along Grand Street.
- 2) Three drainage easements of varying sizes in Sections 61 and 72, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County for area watershed.

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.

Jack Juett, 5400 Keystone Drive, inquired about a change to the taxi ordinance. He recommended changes be made regarding the debt of taxi owners of previous named companies. Judy Glidewell, 176 Dolphin Terrace, presented a volunteer proposal opportunity for shelter volunteers. Sherril Wallace, 5106 Pin Oak Drive, thanked Councilmember Eades for touring the Animal Shelter. Mayor Harpole stated he also went to Animal Control and visited with the dedicated employees. Jack Juett, 5400 Keystone Drive, asked if taxi parking signs could be posted at the airport.

Councilmember Eades announced a special event at the Animal Control, Wednesday, June 11. The animal shelter would be participating in the 'Just One Day' national campaign. There would be half-price adoptions, children IDs, hot dogs, and limited free microchip service then there would be half-price microchipping.

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