

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 18th day of November 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 Southeast 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

PAUL HARPOLE
ELLEN ROBERTSON GREEN
LILIA ESCAJEDA

MAYOR
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3

Absent was Brian Eades. 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 Greg Dowell, Central Church of Christ. There was a moment of silence Honoring Councilmember Jim Simms, Place 4. Mayor Harpole also led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamations were presented for "Epilepsy Awareness Month" and "National Bible 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 November 11, 2014. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda; motion was seconded by Councilmember Green, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending Chapter 4-10 of the Amarillo Municipal Code of Ordinances regarding the Downtown Amarillo Urban Design Standards. The proposed amendments address triggers for walkway improvements, clarification regarding review of drive-through lanes, clarification regarding the relationship between a building and its setback and clarification of screening and monument sign requirements. These amendments are recommended for approval by the Downtown Amarillo Urban Design Review Board, the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, and the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Shaw reviewed the main points and changes. Robert Goodrich, 4111 Stony Point, stated he has inquired about a walkway to other buildings from his high rise building and he was told it would not be allowed. Mr. Shaw replied walkways were discussed and because the goal is to make downtown more pedestrian friendly, a walkway would keep pedestrian traffic off the sidewalks. Motion was made by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7498

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 4-10, ARTICLE XXI, TO AMEND SECTION 4-10-1002 (APPENDIX); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF PRIOR LAW; PROVIDING PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green and Escajeda; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 3:0 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 914 North

Washington Street. Motion was made by Councilmember Escajeda to select Options ii and v, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 11-18-14-1

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 was sworn in and stated the property at 914 North Washington Street has been abandon since February 2003. There have been no applications for permits to abate the property. The property was posted with a condemnation placard on October 21, 2014. The property is a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment. Current taxes due on the property are \$401.69; there are \$2,640.17 in delinquent taxes due for years 2010-2013. There has been no water service since February 2003. The City has contractor liens totaling \$639.82 on the property.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green and Escajeda; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 3:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution conducting a public hearing on and considers ordering the removal of a substandard structure located at 1109 North Washington Street. Motion was made by Councilmember Green to select Option iii, seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 11-18-14-2

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 property at 1109 North Washington Street has been abandon since March 2010. There have been no recent applications for permits to abate the property. Electrical permits were issued in January and July of 2010. The property was posted with a condemnation placard on October 21, 2014. Mr. Adrian Garcia has been in contact with the Building Safety Department in February 2014, October 23, 2014 and again today. Today, Mr. Garcia brought an interpreter and was given the documents required to bring the property to standards and was reminded of the public hearing. The property is a nuisance to the community and creates an unsafe environment. Current taxes due on the property are \$200.92; there are no delinquent taxes due. There has been no water service since March 2010. The property has not been maintained by a City contractor. Mr. McDonald also stated the property creates numerous problems for the police department because of illegal activity and vagrants on the property.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green and Escajeda; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 3:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution setting the date and time for public hearings on December 16, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. to determine if the properties at 2201 Rule Street and 3100 South Woodland Street constitute public nuisances and thereby declared as dangerous structures. 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 Escajeda, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 11-18-14-3

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 and Escajeda; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 3:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. There were none. Mr. Atkinson explained that Item 6C would utilize the new immunization van throughout the community to those who qualify. Mayor Harpole also introduced Casie Stoughton, Public Health Director. Motion was made by Councilmember Green to approve the consent agenda, motion was seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

- A. Purchase – Civic Center Arena Football Turf:
Award to UBU Sports on TexBuy Contract -- \$173,053.20

This item awards a contract for the purchase of artificial football turf for the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum. This turf will replace the original turf that was damaged in the July, 2014 Civic Center flood events. Funding for this purchase is from the FM Global Insurance Settlement.

- B. Purchase – Electromagnetic Flow Meters with Mounting Kits:
Award to Sole Bidder Endress Hauser C/O Vector Controls and Automation -- \$56,701.92

This item approves the purchase of 24 electromagnetic flow meters for use in the Southwest Well Field. This purchase is an addition to similar meters currently in use. Funding for the purchase is in the approved Water Production Department budget.

- C. Award – Public Health Department Annual Vaccine Contract:
Award to MMCAP Purchasing Co-op – Estimated Amount \$408,143.80

This item approves an annual vaccine contract through the MMCAP purchasing cooperative for the purchase of vaccines used in the Refugee Health Program and the Adult Immunization Project. Funding for this Public Health specific purchase is through the Refugee Health grant the Amarillo Hospital District DSRIP Program. These vaccines support the ongoing requirements of the Refugee Health Program and the Adult Immunization Project.

- D. Approval – Addendum No. 1 for Professional Services:
Downtown Amarillo, Inc. -- \$290,856.00


This item approves an addendum to the existing professional services agreement between the City of Amarillo and Downtown Amarillo, Inc. (DAI). This addendum specifically enables to contract for services involved in making application under the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) program administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The specific scope of services include planning and design/engineering services for the potential redevelopment of portions of Polk Street and 6th Avenue to enhance the streetscape, sidewalks, bicycle facilities and related improvements. Funding for this addendum is from the General Construction Reserve fund.

- E. Sale – Property:
Sheriff Sale Property in Potter County.

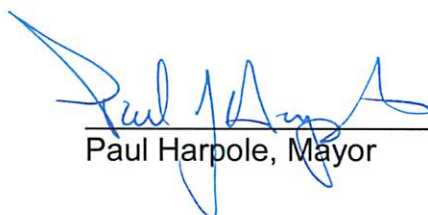
Mayor Harpole announced that this is the end of the regular agenda, but time is reserved to hear any citizen concerning matters pertaining to City policies, programs or services not on today's agenda. The public forum is set under the Open Meetings Act and that during the public forum the City Council can respond with a statement of fact, a statement of city policy or decide whether to place an item on a future agenda. There were no comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary



Paul Harpole, Mayor