

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTIES OF POTTER  
AND RANDALL  
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 2nd day of December 2014, the Amarillo City Council met at 4:00 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 5:30 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
LILIA ESCAJEDA	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3

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 Green. Mayor Harpole also 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 November 25, 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 a resolution honoring and memorializing the service of Councilmember Place 4, James H. "Jim" Simms. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades, seconded by Councilmember Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-14-1  
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO,  
TEXAS; HONORING JAMES H. 'JIM' SIMMS.

The former Atmos Building at 808 South Buchanan Street was renamed the "Simms Municipal Building." Favorable comments were made by the Mayor, Councilmembers, Debra McCartt, J. Fred Simms, and Chief Robert Taylor.

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 advised per the Charter of the City of Amarillo, Article V, Section 3 (b), any vacancy in the office of a Councilmember shall be filled by an appointment by the Mayor and the remaining Councilmembers to the unexpired term of the office. This item allows the discussion and possible appointment of a qualified individual to the unexpired term of office on the Amarillo City Council, Place 4. Motion was made by Councilmember Green, seconded by Councilmember Escajeda, and unanimously carried to appoint Ronald Boyd to the unexpired term of office of Councilmember Simms, such term to expire in May 2015. Ron Boyd stated he would be honored to fill this position in honor of Jim Simms, but he would not seek the office of Councilmember Place 4 in May 2015. There were no public comments. 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. Municipal Judge Sonya Letson administered the required Oath of Office. Newly sworn in Councilmember Boyd took his seat on the dais.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole advised that an appointment is needed for a certain board and commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Eades, seconded by Councilmember Green, and unanimously carried to appointment to the Amarillo Local Government Corporation, Lilia Escajeda, to fill the unexpired term of James H. "Jim" Simms, Councilmember Place 4, such term to expire September 30, 2017. Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Green, Eades and Boyd, and Councilmember Escajeda abstained; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:1 vote of the Council.

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

A. Purchase – Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete:

Award to best evaluated proposer: R.K. Hall Construction, LTD -- \$900,000.00

This item awards an annual contract to provide Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete for use by the Street Department. This product is ordered and used throughout the year in the construction, maintenance and repair of paved streets and alleys. The base cost is \$69.50 per ton which is an increase of 20.35% over the current contract. The proposed agreement includes a clause to adjust the contract price per ton upwards or downwards based on fluctuations in the price of liquid asphalt to protect both the supplier and the City. This purchase method has been used successfully in the past and ensures that this product is available on an as-needed basis. Funding for this purchase is in the approved FY 2014-15 Street Department Operating budget.

B. Approval – Forensic Engineering Emergency Services Contract:

Award to RIMKUS Consulting Group, Inc. -- \$57,650.00

This item approves an emergency services contract for professional forensic engineering services to assess the failure of the 30" vitrified clay pipe (VCP) sanitary sewer main in the Hillside Estates areas. This line was installed in 2007 and has sustained several systemic failures. The results of this forensic investigation will be used by the City to recapture costs associated with the failure and repair of this line. Funding for this contract is available in the approved FY 2014/2015 Utilities Division Capital Improvement Program budget.

C. Approval – Airport Lease Amendment No. 2:

Parties: City of Amarillo and Leading Edge Aviation Services, Inc.

This amendment extends the lease term for four (4) years per the terms of the original lease and adjusts the lease rate, including an annual CPI adjustment. Under the terms of the amendment the Airport will receive an additional \$135,600 in rental revenue over each of the next four (4) years.

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.

Pastor Walter McGill, McNear County Tennessee, stated he was walking through the City of Amarillo on a prayer walk from coast to coast carrying the American flag. Andrea Gulley, 3533 Sleepy Hollow Boulevard, stated a small change has been made at the Animal Management & Welfare by dipping the animals upon arrival. She further expressed concerns about the various animal diseases in the community, in our town and at the animal shelter. She encouraged everyone to vaccinate their pets. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Frances Hibbs  
Frances Hibbs, City Secretary

Paul Harpole  
Paul Harpole, Mayor