

AGENDAS

FOR THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2012 AT 1:30 P.M. ON THE THIRD FLOOR, ROOM 303, CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL, 509 S. E. 7th AVENUE, AMARILLO, TEXAS, AND FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION AT 3:00 P.M. THE COMMISSION CHAMBER ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF CITY HALL.

***Please note:** The City Commission may take up items out of the order shown on any Agenda. The City Commission 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 Commission 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 Housing Finance Corporation
 - Board of Review for Landmarks and Historic Districts
 - Environmental Advisory Committee
 - Planning and Zoning Commission
 - Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 Board of Directors
 - (2) Presentation and Discussion:
 - Medicare 1115 Waiver Program and Potential Benefits to Amarillo
 - (3) Consider future agenda items.
- B. City Commission 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 economic, recreational or cultural projects;
 - (5) 2012 Water Conservation and Use Discussion;
 - (6) Discuss Atmos Rate Review Mechanism rider and the associated rate and regulatory matters;
 - (7) Potential changes and/or updates to Ambulance Ordinance and Permit;
 - (8) Confer with attorney and discuss threatened or pending litigation or settlement of same: Burch; Trujillo; Tortella; and
 - (9) Proposed Drainage Utility Program.

REGULAR MEETING ITEMS

INVOCATION: Gene Shelburne, Anna Street Church of Christ

PROCLAMATIONS: “Kick Butts Day 2012”
“Safe Digging Month”
“American Red Cross Month”

1. **MINUTES:**
Approval of the City Commission minutes of the regular meeting held on March 13, 2012.

2. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION:**
2012 City of Amarillo Water Presentation and *Every Drop Counts* Water Conservation Campaign kick-off.

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 7321:**
This is the first reading of an ordinance amending the Amarillo Municipal Code, Chapter 16-3, Traffic, and Chapter 2-6, Boards and Commissions. These changes are designed to remove the City Driveway and Parking Manual from the current ordinance and to place the authority for revisions with the City Traffic Engineer, subject to public notice, hearing requirements and comment from the Amarillo Traffic Commission.

3. **APPOINTMENTS – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**
Appointments are needed for the following board:

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 Board of Directors (3 year terms)

02/15/11	Scott Bentley (City of Amarillo appt.)	03/20/12
11/17/09	John Ben Blanchard (AISD appt.)	03/20/12
03/20/07	Richard Brown (City of Amarillo appt. & Chairman appt.)	03/20/12
01/01/09	H. R. Kelly (Potter County appt.)	03/20/12
03/20/07	Sonya Letson (Potter County appt.)	03/20/12

4. **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. **Purchase – Radio Network Repeaters:**
Award on Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Interlocal Agreement to E.F. Johnson Technologies - \$25,122.00

This item approves the purchase of two, VHF radio repeaters. These repeater units will augment an existing repeater location, which is part of the Panhandle Regional Interoperable Communications System. Radio repeater units are used to extend the range and reliability of various hand-held and mobile radio units and to ensure proper coverage of public safety and emergency radio networks. Funding for this purchase is from the approved Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) grant program.

- B. **Purchase – Computer Network Hardware and Licenses:**
Award on State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Purchasing Contract to Synetra - \$169,099.32

This item approves the purchase of computer network switches, the associated licenses and related items for the current City network. This equipment replaces existing primary network switches located at City Hall and the Police building and will provide redundancy for both locations. The existing switches were originally purchased in 2006 and will no longer be supported or maintained by the manufacturer. Funding for this purchase is in the approved FY 2011/2012 Information Technology Division Capital Improvement Program budget.

- C. **Award – Hamlet Park Splash Pad:**
Award to low responsive bidder:
Kraftsman Commercial Playgrounds & Water Parks - \$155,526.00

This item awards the contract to construct a new splash pad and two shade structures at Hamlet Park. The proposed splash pad will encompass approximately 1,590 square feet and has several features unique to Hamlet Park, including a water feature in the shape of the school mascot. Funding for this project is from the approved FY 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant program. The new splash pad should be operational by Memorial Day, 2012.

- D. Award – 2012 Arterial Street Overlay Project:
Award to low responsive bidder:
L.A. Fuller & Sons Construction, LTD. - \$2,159,016.00

This item awards a contract for the annual arterial street overlay project. The contract includes the needed repairs, milling and installation of a new layer of hot-mix asphalt on ten existing arterial street segments. Collectively, this project includes over 400,000 square feet of asphalt overlay across approximately 13 street miles. Funding for this award is in the approved FY 2011/2012 Street Department Capital Improvement Program budget.

- E. Award – Former Police Department/Courts Buildings Demolition Project:
Award to low responsive bidder:
Empire Environmental Group, L.L.C. - \$162,586.70

This item awards the contract to demolish and remove the former Police Department, Municipal Court, and Police Garage buildings located on the block bounded by Buchanan Street, 6th Avenue, Fillmore Street, and 7th Avenue. The contract includes the full demolition of these structures, removal of the debris, and restoration of the site to a level surface. This site will be used for construction activities associated with the future Downtown Convention Center Hotel and will also be the site of the Downtown Parking Garage. Funding for this award is in the previously approved Capital Improvement Program budget and the recommended contract is 22% below the project cost estimate.

- F. Approval - Fire Department Heavy Rescue Training Course:
Award to proprietary provider:
Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) - \$26,000.00

This item approves the funding for ten members of the Amarillo Fire Department to attend Structural Technician II training at Texas A&M in College Station. The training is provided by TEEX and is a continuation of Structural Technician I training from the previous year. The attendees are all involved in the City's Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) program and this specialized training will provide them with additional education and experience to be used in case of large structural collapses or disasters. Funding for this training is from the FY 2010 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant. The grant will further fund the overtime and personnel backfill costs associated with this training.

- G. Approval – City of Amarillo Investment Policy:
This item is the annual approval of the revised Investment Policy for the City of Amarillo. State law requires the City to have a written investment policy and for the City Commission to review and approve the policy on an annual basis. The primary revisions to the Policy include those required by recent changes in the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, to clarify the Certificates of Deposit section, changes to the training and reporting section, and the addition of a monitoring section for money market mutual funds. Finally, the Policy includes a statement regarding yield calculation and clarifications as to the collateral the City will accept under the Public Funds Collateral Act. The City Investment Committee recommends approval of this Revised Investment Policy.

- H. Approval – License and hold Harmless Agreement:
License and Hold Harmless for a seven foot tall fence and an underground electrical service line encumbering N.W. 4th Avenue right-of-way for Plains Dairy L.L.C.

- I. Dedication and Acceptance – Water Line Easement:
A 10 ft. water line easement in Section 42, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, in the vicinity of Westgate Parkway West and Mall Ring Road for the installation of a water main.

PUBLIC FORUM

Comments from interested citizens on matters pertaining to City policies, programs or services.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Planning and Zoning Commission – minutes for March 12, 2012
2. Boards and Commissions – appointments as listed on attached.