

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 10th day of April 2012, the Amarillo City Commission 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 Commission met at 3:00 p.m. in regular session in the Commission 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	COMMISSIONER NO. 1
BRIAN EADES	COMMISSIONER NO. 2
LILIA ESCAJEDA	COMMISSIONER NO. 3
JIM SIMMS	COMMISSIONER NO. 4

Absent was none. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARRETT ATKINSON	CITY MANAGER
VICKI COVEY	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
COURTNEY GOODMAN-MORRIS	CITY ATTORNEY
KELLEY SHAW	PLANNING DIRECTOR
DONNA DERIGHT	CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Jim Simms, Commissioner No. 4. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamations were presented for "Amarillo Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month," "Amarillo's Donate Life Month," "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week" and "Alcohol Awareness Month."

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 April 3, 2012. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending the Amarillo Municipal Code to add a new Chapter 18-4 establishing the City of Amarillo Drainage Utility and its service area. The ordinance further dedicates City assets to the Utility and grants those exemptions required by the Texas Local Government Code. Funds collected under the Amarillo Drainage Utility may only be used for purposes directly related to the drainage system.

Mayor Harpole asked for comments. Cindi Bulla, 1400 Regan Court, appeared on behalf of the Amarillo Association of Realtors and expressed their support of the drainage fees. She stated that they did some comparisons and research and they determined that the fees are reasonable with other Texas cities. She advised that the Association will support it as long as only the exemptions set out by state law are allowed. Gregg Bynum, 2710 John, appeared in support of the drainage fees. There were no further comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7322

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, AMENDING THE AMARILLO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD CHAPTER 18-4 ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF AMARILLO DRAINAGE UTILITY AND ITS SERVICE AREA; DEDICATING CITY

ASSETS TO THE UTILITY; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Green, Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending the Amarillo Municipal Code, Chapter 18-4 to adopt rules for the City of Amarillo Drainage Utility, defining relevant terms, levying a schedule of charges, providing for an appeals process and related matters. This ordinance establishes the base charge for a "TYPICAL" Equivalent Residential Unit at \$2.51 per month. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Green, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7323

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, AMENDING THE AMARILLO MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 18-4, TO ADOPT RULES FOR THE CITY OF AMARILLO DRAINAGE UTILITY; LEVYING A SCHEDULE OF DRAINAGE CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND INTEREST; PROVIDING AN APPEALS PROCESS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Green, Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance changing the zoning of an 8.06 and a 28.18 acre tract in Section 135, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, in the vicinity of Hastings Avenue and Grand Street, to change from Agricultural District to Light Commercial District and Heavy Commercial District, respectively. Motion was made by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Simms, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7324

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE OF USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF HASTINGS AVENUE AND GRAND STREET, POTTER COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Green, Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance changing the zoning of Tascosa Estates Unit No. 8, in Section 11, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, in the vicinity of Fairway Drive and La Costa Drive, to change from Planned Development District 165C to Amended Planned Development 165D for single-family detached home development. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7325

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE OF USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF FAIRWAY DRIVE AND LA COSTA DRIVE, POTTER COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Green, Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution approving the application for the 2012 JAG Grant and the related Interlocal Agreement with Potter County. Under the terms of the grant, the City of Amarillo will apply for \$108,305 and will allocate the grant

proceeds on an equal basis with Potter County. The Amarillo Police Department will use \$54,152.50 which is the City's portion of the grant to purchase three Heavy Ballistic Vests for SWAT, five Stalker Radar Systems for the Motor Squad, and a public address sound system for the Civilian and Law Enforcement Shooting complex. The 2012 allocation represents a reduction of 27% from last year's allocation. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-10-12-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: APPLYING FOR AND ACCEPTING 2012 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT 2012-H1216-TX-DJ; APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER SAID GRANT FUNDS TO POTTER COUNTY; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Green, Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 7: Mayor Harpole advised that appointments are needed for certain boards and commissions. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Green, and unanimously carried, to the Environmental Advisory Committee appoint Ken Pirtle, such term to expire September 1, 2012, and to the Guyon Saunders Resource Center Oversight Committee appoint Anita Burrell and Myrna Raffkind.

ITEM 8: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. Commissioner Green asked that Item F be removed for separate consideration due to her participation in the Health Plan. Motion was made by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Simms, and unanimously carried, to approve Items A through E and G on the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, to approve Item F on the consent agenda. Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Commissioners Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; ABSTAINING was Commissioner Green; the motion carried by a 4:0:1 of the Commission.

- A. Purchase – Digital Cameras and Lens for Police Department:
Award on a Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Contact:
Global Government/Education Solutions Inc – \$32,237.50

This is a contract for the purchase of 50 digital cameras and lenses for the Amarillo Police Department for documentation of accidents and crime scenes. Older cameras are replaced and the new academy recruits will be issued cameras.

- B. Award – Transit Dispatch Console Equipment:
Lowest responsive bidder:
Watson Furniture Group, Inc. -- \$55,778.70

This approves the purchase and installation of dispatch console furniture for the Transit Office at 801 Southeast 23rd Avenue. The bidder complies with the requirements of Buy America per the conditions of the Federal Transportation Administration.

- C. Award – HVAC System for Hollywood Road Treatment Plant Administration Building:
Lowest responsive bidder:
Howard's Mechanical, Inc. -- \$58,968.01

This is a contract for the replacement of the HVAC System for the Administration Building at the Hollywood Road Treatment Plant.

- D. Award – Floor Pan Replacement for Caterpillar Scraper:
Award to Proprietary Manufacturer: Warren Cat -- \$28,384.66

This item approves the unscheduled replacement of a floor pan for a Caterpillar Scraper at the Landfill. Damage to the Scraper is unrepairable and is attributed to the condition of the soil and rock at the landfill. The equipment will be repaired onsite by the manufacturer.

- E. Approval -- Application – 2012 Summer Food Service Program Grant:
This item authorizes the electronic submission of a grant to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the 2012 Summer Food Service Program. The grant will allow the City to serve free snacks and lunches to an estimated 6,800 children per day at 17 park sites, 21 schools, the Wesley Community Center, and the Martial Arts and Athletic Center. The program will begin on June 7th and end on August 7th. The state will reimburse a total of \$4.105 per meal for food costs and administrative costs. This is an increase of 2.7% from last year's program.

- F. Approval – 2012 City of Amarillo Group Health Plan:
This item approves the 2012 City of Amarillo Group Health Plan and the associated changes necessary to update the Plan. Changes include those necessary to accommodate the new hospital provider, grammatical and numbering changes and those required by Federal Law.

- G. Sale – Property:
Sheriff sale property in Potter County awarded to the highest bidder as follows:
409 Browning Street: Santino Castillo – \$5,500.00

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. The public forum is set under the Open Meetings Act and that during the public forum the City Commission can respond with a statement of fact, a statement of city policy or decide whether to place an item on a future agenda. Alan Abraham, 7205 S.W. 35th Avenue, appeared concerning the downtown revitalization projects. He stated that it appears the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Board voted on the payment to Wallace Bajjali in a closed meeting. He also stated that benchmark dates were set out in the agreement and they were not met. Mayor Harpole asked if he would like to meet to address his concerns and Mr. Abraham stated that he would meet. Glenn Runion, 7201 Columbia Lane, appeared and stated that the City's landscape ordinance does not address the type of landscape that should be used to comply with our water conservation efforts. He stated that cities such as Albuquerque address landscape options that use less water. He asked the Commission to consider revising the landscape ordinance. Mayor Harpole stated that he would have City Staff review the ordinance. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Donna DeRight, City Secretary

Paul Harpole, Mayor