

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTIES OF POTTER  
AND RANDALL  
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 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  
BRIAN EADES  
LILIA ESCAJEDA  
JIM SIMMS

MAYOR  
COMMISSIONER NO. 2  
COMMISSIONER NO. 3  
COMMISSIONER NO. 4

Absent was Ellen Robertson Green, Commissioner No. 1, due to personal business. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARRETT ATKINSON  
VICKI COVEY  
MARCUS NORRIS  
KELLEY SHAW  
DONNA DERIGHT

CITY MANAGER  
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER  
CITY ATTORNEY  
PLANNING DIRECTOR  
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Kevin Deckard, Polk Street United Methodist Church. 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:

ITEM 1: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes of July 10, 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 changing the zoning of a 77.99 acre tract of unplatted land in Section 63, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, in the vicinity of Hillside Road and Nancy Ellen Street from Agricultural District to Planned Development District for mixed use development. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7337

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 NANCY ELLEN STREET AND HILLSIDE ROAD, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 3: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending Chapter 16-3, Traffic, of the Amarillo Municipal Code regarding school zone speed limit signage. At this time, there are two different Code sections to enforce a school zone speed limit based on whether the signage in the zone was posted on a traditional 'sign' or was on an 'electronically controlled sign'. This ordinance will remove the distinction between the two types of signs. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Simms, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7338

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE AMARILLO MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 16-3, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 2, SECTION 16-3-117 TO SIMPLIFY SCHOOL ZONE SPEED PROVISIONS; 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, Commissioners Eades, Escajeda and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote of the Commission.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance amending Chapter 18-2, Water Utility System, of the Amarillo Municipal Code to revise the protocol for water meter testing. This ordinance is recommended in order to update the City's meter testing standards in accordance with the industry standards prescribed by the American Water Works Association. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7339

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE AMARILLO MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 18-2, ARTICLE III, SECTION 18-2-54 TO REVISE THE PROTOCOL FOR WATER METER TESTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUATION OF PRIOR LAW; PROVIDING PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution approving a Local Transportation Project Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for the reconstruction of Farmer's Lane from Western Street to Georgia Street. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,182,420 of which TXDOT will fund 80% and the City will fund 20%. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 07-17-12-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: APPROVING LOCAL PROJECT ADVANCED FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF A SEGMENT OF FARMERS AVENUE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution accepting a grant award from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) in the amount of \$1,980,725.00. These dedicated funds are provided to the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport each year based on enplanement numbers and are restricted for use on airport projects. The grant will provide ninety percent of the cost of the terminal building drainage improvement project. The required ten percent, \$220,081.00, will be from Airport matching funds approved in the FY 2011-2012 Airport Capital Improvement budget. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Simms, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 07-17-12-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: APPROVING AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR AIRPORT TERMINAL DRAINAGE PROJECT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 7: Mayor Harpole advised that appointments are needed for certain boards and commissions. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to the Parks and Recreation Commission reappoint Clint Norton and Jackie Payne, such terms to expire July 1, 2015, and to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 Board of Directors appoint Jason Herrick to the unexpired term of Paula Bliss, as a City of Amarillo appointment, such term to expire March 20, 2013.

ITEM 8: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. Buzz David, President of the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation, appeared and advised the Commission of the new facility for the Bell Helicopter Relentless 525. He explained the specific details of the project and thanked Bell Helicopter for expanding and broadening the work at their Amarillo location. George Herring with Bell Helicopter appeared and stated that he is excited to be doing military and civilian work at the Amarillo facility. He thanked the AEDC and the City Commission for their continued support. The Commission expressed their appreciation to Bell Helicopter for bringing this project to Amarillo and for the presence they have in our community. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

- A. Purchase – Fitness Equipment for Amarillo Police Department:  
Low responsive bidder: Lubbock Fitness, Inc. - \$26,624.00  
This is the purchase of fitness equipment to replace existing equipment in the Police Department employee fitness center.
  
- B. Award – Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Cell Liner Connection:  
Low responsive bidder: L D Kemp Excavating, Inc - \$693,160.80  
This is a construction contract for the installation of an impervious liner connecting Cell 4 and Cell 2 at Amarillo's solid waste landfill located west of the City. The installation of the liner is required by federal and state environmental regulations to prevent landfill deposits from leaching into the underlying soil and underground water formations.
  
- C. Award – Replacement of Heating and Air Conditioning Units at Building 602 at Rick Husband International Airport:  
Low responsive bidder: G & H Heat and Air, Inc. - \$35,700.00  
This is a contract for the removal and installation of three 10-ton HVAC package units for a portion of Building 602 at Rick Husband International Airport.
  
- D. Approval - Amarillo Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) Project Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. – Relentless 525 Expansion:  
This is approves the AEDC funding participation on a 249,000 square foot building on a 20 acre site for the production of the Bell Helicopter Relentless 525 and other aircraft programs. The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$27 million. AEDC will provide the land, a grant of \$4,240,000 for site improvements for the new facility and a grant of \$760,000 for relocating equipment. Upon completion, this facility will employ 100+ workers with an estimated annual payroll of approximately \$10 million.

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. There were no comments. Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Donna DeRight, City Secretary

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Paul Harpole, Mayor