STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 9th day of October 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, presentation and discussion of a proposed Municipal Annexation Policy, 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

ELLEN ROBERTSON GREEN

BRIAN EADES

LILIA ESCAJEDA

JIM SIMMS

MAYOR

COMMISSIONER NO. 1

COMMISSIONER NO. 2

COMMISSIONER NO. 3

COMMISSIONER NO. 4

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

JARRETT ATKINSON
VICKI COVEY
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
CITY ATTORNEY
DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES
FLANNING DIRECTOR
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Pastor Stephen Friedrich, Amarillo's Beautiful Savior Lutheran 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:

<u>ITEM</u> 1: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes of October 3, 2012. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

<u>ITEM 2</u>: Mayor Harpole presented an ordinance changing the zoning of an 11.61 acre tract in Section 62, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, in the vicinity of Soncy Road/Loop 335 and Tarter Avenue from Agricultural District to General Retail District for various retail activities. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on second and final reading:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 7368

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 SOUTHWEST THIRTY-FOURTH AVENUE AND SONCY ROAD, RANDALL 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.

<u>ITEM 3</u>: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution closing the public hearings and setting the date of October 30, 2012 for the first reading of an ordinance annexing 16.35+ acres of unplatted land to the City in Section 62, Block 9, BS&F Survey Randall County, Texas in the vicinity of Southwest 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Soncy Road/Loop 335. Motion was

made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 10-9-12-1

A RESOLUTION CLOSING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SETTING THE DATE FOR THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN PROPERTY BY THE CITY OF AMARILLO.

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 a resolution approving and adopting the City of Amarillo's Water Conservation Plan. Mr. Autrey stated that the City is required to update the Plan every five years. It contains water conservation goals for the City's system and also includes strategies to reduce consumption of water, to improve the efficiency of water use, to increase recycling and reuse, and to prevent water pollution. He advised that the Plan further includes Best Management Practices to assist in meeting identified targets and goals. Motion was made by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Simms, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 10-9-12-2**

A RESOLUTION OF THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION: AMENDING THE WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF AMARILLO, ORIGINALLY ADOPTED IN 2002 AND LAST AMENDED IN 2007 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

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 a resolution approving and authorizing the publication of the Notice of Intention to issue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2012A in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,900,000. Mr. Atkinson introduced Mr. Frigo and Steven Adams with Specialized Public Finance. Mr. Frigo stated that these Certificates are to be issued for the purposes of acquiring, improving and constructing municipal drainage facilities, equipment and related items. This issuance is as considered in the approved FY 2012/2013 budget and will be repaid with revenue generated by the Drainage Utility and includes an ad-valorem tax pledge to ensure the City receives the most favorable rates possible, which will result in a net savings for Amarillo residents. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

# RESOLUTION NO. 10-9-12-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2012A.

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 and authorizing the publication of the Notice of Intention to issue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2012B in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,790,000 for the purposes of acquiring rolling stock, equipment, vehicles and related items for the City Fleet. Mr. Frigo advised that this issuance is as considered in the approved FY 2012/2013 budget and will be repaid with revenue generated by the Municipal Garage Fund and includes both an ad-valorem tax pledge and solid waste disposal fee pledge to ensure the City receives the most favorable rates possible, which will result in a net savings for Amarillo residents. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

## RESOLUTION NO. 10-9-12-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2012B.

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 the Amarillo Hospital District Board of Managers. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Green, and unanimously carried, to appoint Mark Logsdon to the expired term of Murielle Barnes, Smith Ellis to the expired term of Greg Graham, and reappoint Chuck Speed, such terms to expire October 1, 2014.

<u>ITEM 8</u>: 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 Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Simms, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

## A. <u>Purchase – Mowers and Utility Carts:</u>

Award to low responsive bidder by line item as follows:

\$ 39,898.00
\$ 58,916.60
\$ 22,985.03
\$ 33,821.38
\$ 14,576.00
\$ 28,053.60
\$198,250.61

This is the purchase of various carts and mowers to replace existing units that have reached or exceeded their usable lifespan. Equipment purchased under this bid will be used by Comanche Trail Golf Course, Parks Maintenance, the Hollywood Road and River Road Wastewater Treatment Plants, Street Department and the Animal Control Department.

## B. <u>Award – Edgefield Addition Sewer Main Rehabilitation Project</u>:

Low responsive bidder:

PM Construction and Rehab, LLC - \$671,868.80

This is a contract to rehabilitate approximately 12,100 linear feet of sewer main in the Edgefield area. The sewer mains in this area have passed their usable lifespan and are subject to frequent blockages and repairs. Under the terms of this contract, six-inch, ten-inch and twelve-inch mains will be rehabilitated through the pipe-bursting method, which minimizes disruptions to the customers and the need for extensive open ditches.

#### C. Acceptance – Emergency Solutions Grant Awards:

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs FY 2011-12 \$158,780.00 FY 2012-13 \$242,247.79

This is the acceptance of two competitive grant awards from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for funding under the Emergency Solutions Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in total amount of \$401,027. The FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 allocations are effective October 1, 2012. The funding will provide operational assistance for several of Amarillo's homeless shelters as well as agencies providing outreach and counseling services. Homelessness Prevention funding will again be available for rent and utilities deposits, and payment of delinquent rents and mortgage payments.

# D. <u>Approval – Tank Industry Consultants Professional Services Agreement Amendment #1:</u>

Tank Industry Consultants as follows:

Original Contract Amount: \$133,220.00
Previous Amendments: \$ 0.00
Proposed Amendment: \$59,500.00
Adjusted Contract Amount: \$192,720.00

This approves an amendment to the professional services agreement with Tank Industry Consultants to provide contract administration and inspection services to complete the painting project for the Osage Elevated Water Tank. The painting project was stopped in the spring of 2012 to ensure the water tower was available for service during the summer demand periods and was returned to service on May 1, 2012. The contractor is ready to resume the painting and repair of the tank and this amendment is needed to allow for the necessary inspection, testing and other professional services to ensure the project is completed properly.

<u>ITEM 9</u>: Mayor Harpole asked Mr. Autrey to appear and provide an overview of the year-to-date water usage in Amarillo. He stated that on the screens are charts showing the consumption use, rainfall amounts, and rainfall and temperature versus water usage. He stated that we had an increase in consumption during July and August and the rainfall amounts were still down. He advised that this would be the last water usage report for this year and he would continue them next year beginning in the spring.

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. Jack Jewett, 3954 Business Park Drive, appeared and stated that he has started putting safety features on his taxi cabs because he believes safety is important. He asked the City Commission to consider making safety equipment a requirement for taxi cabs. He provided the Commission with information explaining his request. Mayor Harpole thanked him for bringing this to their attention. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned and stated that the City Commission would reconvene to Closed Session.

ATTEST.		
Donna DeRight, City Secretary	Paul Harpole, Mayor	