

AGENDAS

FOR THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 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. IN 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
Potter-Randall Appraisal District Board of Directors
Zoning Board of Adjustment
- (2) Discussion and review of the proposed 2011/2012 City of Amarillo Budget and associated tax rate;
- (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;
- (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) To deliberate regarding security devices or security audits, security personnel;
- (6) Potential private gifts and donations to the City;
- (7) 2011 Water Conservation and Use Discussion;
- (8) Discuss 2011 Wildfire incident and preparedness; and

REGULAR MEETING ITEMS

INVOCATION: Gene Shelburne, Anna Street Church of Christ

1. **MINUTES:**

Approval of the City Commission minutes of the special and regular meetings held on September 9, 2011 and September 13, 2011, respectively.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 7297:**

This is the first reading of an ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 8, Block 19, Fairview Townsite in Section 123, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, in the vicinity of Southeast 6th Avenue and Vernon Street, from Residential District 3 to Residential District 3 with a Specific Use Permit 163 for placement of a Type B Manufactured Home. This is recommended for approval by a 7:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

3. **ORDINANCE NO. 7298:**

This is the first reading of an ordinance changing the zoning of a 13.08 acre tract of unplatted land in Section 37, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, in the vicinity of Coulter Street and Hollywood Road/Loop 335, from Agricultural District to Multiple-Family District 1. This is recommended for approval by a 7:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

4. **ORDINANCE NO. 7295:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance adopting the City of Amarillo budget for the 2011/2012 fiscal year. This budget allows for the City to continue providing effective public services, programs and assistance to Amarillo residents in the upcoming year.

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 7296:**

This is the second and final reading of an ordinance approving the City of Amarillo tax roll, setting an ad valorem property tax rate and levying a tax on all property subject to taxation within the City for the 2011 tax year. This ordinance establishes an ad valorem tax rate of \$0.29230 per \$100.00 property valuation for City maintenance and operations expenses and \$0.02779 per \$100.00 property valuation for existing debt expenses resulting in a total ad valorem rate of \$0.32009 per \$100.00 property valuation.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.51% AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000.00 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$9.51.

6. **RATIFICATION – CITY OF AMARILLO TAX RATE AND BUDGET:**

Pursuant to the terms of Tex. Loc. Gov. Code, Sec. 102.007(c), the City Commission is required to take a separate ratification vote on the tax rate when the adopted budget requires more property tax revenue than did the previous year's budget.

7. **RESOLUTION – PUBLIC HEARING:**

This resolution conducts a public hearing on and orders the removal of substandard structures and solid waste accumulation located in the city.

8. **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. **Award – Housing Rehabilitation Contract:**

Award to sole bidder: Brown Construction Services - \$52,051.50
Property: 1007 S. Ricks

This item awards a contract to perform various rehabilitation projects to an owner occupied home under the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program. This program provides financial assistance to qualified low income homeowners to perform needed repairs and improvements to their owner-occupied property. As a condition of receiving this funding and the subsequent improvements, the homeowner agrees to maintain the home as their residence for a period of not less than 15 years. Should the homeowner sell, rent or vacate the residence, they will be liable to repay a pro-rated amount of the award. Funding for this award is from the FY 2010/2011 Home Investment Partnership Program grant with funds on-hand and available.

B. Acceptance – Texas State Library and Archives Commission FY 2010/2011 Grants:

Interlibrary Loan Center Grant (771-12002)	\$ 4,000.00
Library System Operating Grant (470-12007)	\$204,341.00
Technical Assistance Negotiated Grant (476-12008)	<u>\$ 79,971.00</u>
Total	\$288,312.00

This item accepts one grant to the City of Amarillo and two grants to the Harrington Library Consortium from the State of Texas to support various services offered to Library patrons in Amarillo and the surrounding area.

This funding received is a reduction of 55% from the current year. This will be the last year for these grant programs as the funding for the Texas State Library was substantially reduced by the Texas Legislature this session.

The Interlibrary Loan Center Grant is for one month of transition to October 1, 2011 to transition the staff to a city funded position. This state program has been eliminated in this fiscal year.

The Library System Operating Grant provides basic operating support to the Amarillo Public Library System as well as required coordination with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

The Technical Assistance Negotiated Grant (TANG) provides funding to support personnel and information technology used in local and regional libraries to enhance service levels for patrons.

C. Approval – Pipe Clamps Annual Contract:

Award to low responsive bidder by line item as follows:

Power Seal Pipeline Products (Lines 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 21, 22)	\$10,787.84
Western Industrial Supply (Lines 3, 6, 43, 45, 48)	\$10,651.96
Water Products (Lines 8, 9, 11-19, 23-27, 29-40, 42, 46, 47)	\$50,335.27
Ferguson Enterprises (Lines 20, 41, 44)	<u>\$ 1,519.01</u>
Total	\$73,249.08

This item approves the annual supply contract for the purchase of various pipe fittings and clamps. These items are purchased and stocked on an as-needed basis in the City warehouse for issuance to field crews. The requested items are used for repairs, new services and other operational needs. Funding for this purchase is in the approved FY 2011/2012 Central Stores (warehouse) operating budget.

D. Dedication and Acceptance – Water Line Easement and Sanitary Sewer Easement:

1. Dedication of a water line easement in Section 137, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas in the vicinity of Marrs Street and Fairfield Street.
2. Dedication of a 10 foot sanitary sewer easement in Section 25, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, Texas in the vicinity of Lost Canyon Drive and Canyon Crest Drive.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Boards and Commissions – appointments as listed on attached