STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 4th day of October 2011, the Amarillo City Commission met at 4:00 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 5:30 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

Absent was Jim Simms, Commissioner No. 4, due to personal business. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARRETT ATKINSON
VICKI COVEY
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
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CITY ATTORNEY
KELLEY SHAW
PLANNING DIRECTOR
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Brian Eades, Commissioner No. 2. Mayor Harpole led 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 September 27, 2011. Motion was made by Commissioner Escajeda, seconded by Commissioner Eades, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Harpole presented a resolution approving the 2011 fiscal year changes to the City's existing Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. Trina Fournier, 4427 S. Hayden, and Sharlene Taylor, 906 Crockett, appeared with questions about the program. Mr. Atkinson advised that the funding received from the U.S. Department of Transportation assist with the operating and capital costs for the Transit System. He stated that the City establishes goals and guidelines in regard to those funds and follows requirements set out for using them. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Green, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 10-04-11-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO ESTABLISHING A DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM FOR PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF GOALS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AS AMENDED.

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

<u>ITEM 3</u>: Mayor Harpole advised that an appointment is needed for the Construction Advisory and Appeals Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Escajeda, and unanimously carried, to appoint D. Barry Osborne to the unexpired term of Van Dryden as the master electrician representative, such term to expire December 31, 2012.

<u>ITEM 4</u>: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. 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. <u>Award – Bus Stop Improvements – Phase III</u>:

Low responsive bidder: MH Civil Constructors, Inc. -- \$208,000.00

This is a contract to perform the third phase of the bus stop improvements project. Phase III of this effort will install new bus stops and bus benches at various stops on Routes 2, 6, 7, and 8.

B. Award – Civic Center Auditorium Sound System Electrical Upgrade:

Sole bidder: Brown Construction -- \$35,451.00

This is a contract to upgrade the electrical system in the Civic Center Auditorium to support the previously approved sound system upgrade. These upgrades are additions to the existing electrical system and are necessary for the new sound system.

C. Award – Civic Center Auditorium/Lobby Carpet Replacement:

TxMAS Cooperative Purchasing Contract: LVR Carpet Center -- \$138,163.47

This is a contract to replace the existing carpet in the Civic Center Auditorium and associated lobby. Included in this project is the replacement of all step treads and aisle edging in the Auditorium

D. <u>Acceptance – Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Grant</u>:

Agency: Texas Department of State Health Services

Grant Amount: \$46,355.00

This is the acceptance of the fiscal year 2011/2012 grant funding from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) for the Amarillo Department of Public Health Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Program. These funds will support the Public Health Department's ongoing efforts regarding Tuberculosis prevention and control in the City and Potter and Randall Counties.

E. <u>Acceptance – Texas Traffic Safety Grant:</u>

Grantor: Texas Department of Transportation

Grant Amount: \$112,491.00
Match Amount: \$99,139.70
Total: \$211,630.70

This is the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2012 Texas Traffic Safety Program Grant. This grant is offered through the Texas Department of Transportation and is provided to the Amarillo Police Department to focus additional resources on Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) offenses, Speed Enforcement, and Safety Belt and Child Safety Seat.

F. Approval – Firefighter Fatigue Uniforms Annual Contract:

Low responsive bidder: Nardis, Inc. -- \$40,541.50

This approves the annual contract to supply fatigue (duty) uniforms for the Amarillo Fire Department. These uniforms will be used to replace worn uniforms and to equip new firefighters.

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.

Sharlene Taylor, 906 Crockett, appeared and asked questions concerning Jihad El Eid, the former Traffic Engineer. She also asked what citizens can do on their private property without the City's permission. Mayor Harpole advised her to speak with Mr. Atkinson about these issues following the meeting. Jimmy Hammons, 1514 S. Pierce, appeared and stated that the public service announcements advising people to conserve water were very good and the City should do something like that to let people know about the Commission meetings so more people would attend. Carolyn Thornton, 1947 S. Marrs, appeared and expressed her appreciation for the firefighters and she stated that she appreciates the City taking care of them by supplying uniforms for them. No one else appeared and Mayor Harpole adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST:		
Donna DeRight, City Secretary	Paul Harpole, Mayor	