

AGENDAS

FOR THE AMARILLO CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2010, AT 4:00 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 5:30 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 Economic Development Corporation
 - Amarillo Housing Finance Corporation
 - Traffic Commission
 - Zoning Board of Adjustment
 - (2) Consider future agenda items.
- B. City Commission may receive reports on or discuss any of the following pending projects or matters:
- (1) Amarillo Economic Development Corporation incentive project;
 - (2) Possible groundwater rights transactions in Hartley, Potter, Carson, Roberts or Ochiltree Counties;
 - (3) Downtown Development/Redevelopment (studies, progress reports, plans, proposed projects – TIRZ No. 1, Center City, Inc., and/or Downtown Amarillo, Inc.);
 - (4) Proposed acquisition and disposition of real property for economic, recreational or cultural projects;
 - (5) Southwestern Public Services' proposed rate increase, filed on May 17, 2010.

REGULAR MEETING ITEMS

INVOCATION: Davlyn Duesterhaus, Baptist St. Anthony's Health Systems

1. **MINUTES:**
Approval of the City Commission minutes for the regular meeting held on November 23, 2010.
2. **ORDINANCE NO. 7252:**
This is the first reading of an ordinance changing the zoning of a tract of land in the vicinity of Southeast 17th Avenue and Taylor Street from Planned Development District 111 to Amended Planned Development 111B for office, residential and storage uses. This is recommended for approval by a 7:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
3. **ORDINANCE NO. 7253:**
This is the first reading of an ordinance vacating various portions of unimproved rights-of-way in Famous Heights Addition in the vicinity of Southeast 16th Avenue and Seminole Street. This request will allow for streets and alleys to be vacated and abandoned for public purposes. This is recommended for approval by a 7:0 vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

4. **RESOLUTION – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM:**
This resolution authorizes an application to the Texas Environmental Infrastructure Program for funding in the amount of \$15,057,521 which will be matched by \$5,019,174 in local funds. Upon approval, these funds will be used to construct the Osage Potable Water Treatment Plant to the Arden Road Pump Station connecting pipeline. Construction of this pipeline will allow full use of the capacity generated by the new Potter County Wellfield and the Arden Road Pump Station. The City proposes to use uncommitted funds from the favorable Water Infrastructure Fund (WIF) funding made available to the Potter County Well Field Project to fund the local match.

5. **RESOLUTION – DENYING SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY’S PROPOSED INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE TARRIFFS:**
This resolution denies Southwestern Public Service Company’s (SPS) proposed tariffs for the “Summer Only Interruptible Credit Option Program” and the “Voluntary Customer Load Reduction Program” and authorizes the City’s participation in the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities (AXM) efforts to intervene in these proceedings. Denial of these proposed tariffs is requested by SPS to ensure that they are fully examined and in the best interest of all parties.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING – DOWNTOWN URBAN DESIGN STANDARDS:**
This public hearing is to receive input and comments regarding the Downtown Urban Design Standards as they relate to residential properties.

7. **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. **Purchase – Emergency Response Medical Supplies:**
Award to low responsive bidder: EMED Medical Company --- \$27,246.70
This item is the purchase of specific medical supplies used in emergency response situations. The requested items fall under the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRNE) response program and provide enhanced safety to responders and potential victims. Funding for this purchase is from grant funds provided under the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) program. These items are replacements for existing supplies that have passed their expiration date.

 - B. **Purchase – Emergency Response Equipment Supplies:**
Award to low responsive bidder: Aramsco, Inc. -- \$31,693.75
This item is the purchase of replacement filter cartridges to be used by emergency responders on gas masks during certain events. The requested items fall under the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRNE) response program and provide enhanced safety to responders. Funding for this purchase is from grant funds provided under the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) program. These items are replacements for existing cartridges that have passed their expiration date.

 - C. **Award – High Service Water Pump Repair:**
Award to Smith Pump Company -- \$100,600.00
This item is the re-award of a contract to repair a high service water pump at the Osage Potable Water Treatment Plant. This pump serves as the alternate to the two main pumps used to move potable water into the City’s water distribution system and is necessary to ensure that the Osage Plant is able to continuously provide water to the system. Funding for this repair is in the approved FY 2010/2011 Surface Water Treatment Department operating budget.

- D. Approval - Tax Abatement Agreement for Zarges Tubesca (Zarges):
This item is the approval of a tax abatement agreement with Zarges Tubesca (Zarges) granting a ten (10) year abatement of 100% of property taxes eligible for abatement for a portion of the property to be owned by Zarges in the Amarillo Centerport Business Park located in the City of Amarillo Tax Abatement Reinvestment Zone Number 7 in the northeast area of the city. Zarges has selected Amarillo for the construction of an approximately 80,000 square foot manufacturing and distribution center that will create approximately 100 full time jobs related to the design, production and distribution of internal component systems for wind energy towers throughout North and South America. This abatement request reflects the standard conditions associated with previously approved economic development projects and will assist Zarges in fully developing their new operation.

8. **DISCUSSION – PROPOSED INCREASE TO CITY OF AMARILLO POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFFING:**

Staff will present and discuss a proposal to fund six (6) police officers to be added to the authorized strength of the Amarillo Police Department using local funds in lieu of the six (6) officers requested under the COPPS grant program. These officers can be added to the authorized staffing in time for the 2010/2011 Police Academy.

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