STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 18th day of May 2010, the Amarillo City Commission met at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall on the third floor in Room 303 in the Conference Room to review agenda items for the regular meeting.

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:

DEBRA MCCARTT MAYOR

MADISON SCOTT COMMISSIONER NO. 1 RONALD BOYD COMMISSIONER NO. 3 JIM SIMMS COMMISSIONER NO. 4

Absent was Brian Eades, Commissioner No. 2, due to personal business. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

ALAN M. TAYLOR CITY MANAGER

JARRETT ATKINSON DEPUTY CITY MANAGER KELLEY SHAW DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

MARCUS NORRIS CITY ATTORNEY DONNA DERIGHT CITY SECRETARY

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

Mayor McCartt established a quorum, called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance and the following items of business were conducted:

<u>ITEM 1</u>: Mayor McCartt presented the minutes of the regular meeting held May 11, 2010. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

<u>ITEM 2</u>: Mayor McCartt stated that with Mr. Taylor's retirement there is a need to appoint an interim City Manager. The Commission stated that Mr. Atkinson has the expertise and qualifications to be the interim City Manager and recommended he be appointed. There were no comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Scott, and unanimously carried, to appoint Mr. Atkinson as interim City Manager.

<u>ITEM 3</u>: Mayor McCartt opened for discussion and consideration the process of hiring a new City Manager. Commissioner Simms stated that Mr. Atkinson is very capable of the job but he believes they owe it to the community to conduct a national search to be certain the right person is chosen for the job. The other members of the Commission agreed that Mr. Atkinson is qualified for the position but feel it is important to conduct a search outside the city. There were no comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Simms, and unanimously carried, that the City Attorney and Human Resource Director provide the names of professional search firms for them to consider and hire to conduct a national search for the City Manager position.

ITEM 4: Mayor McCartt presented a resolution approving an Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) for the construction of a 0.2 mile section on North Coulter Street from Weeping Willow Lane northward to Loop 335. This project, which will complete North Coulter Street, as a four lane arterial street, is being funded by unexpended American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Federal Stimulus Funding previously allocated by TxDot to the Amarillo Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). There were no comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, that the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 5-18-10-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: APPROVING ADVANCED FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF N. COULTER AS A FOUR LANE ARTERIAL FROM 0.2 MILES NORTH OF WEEPING WILLOW LANE TO LOOP 335; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor McCartt, Commissioners Scott, Boyd and Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 4:0 vote.

<u>ITEM 5</u>: Mayor McCartt presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. She advised that Item I would be removed for separate consideration. There were no comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Scott, and unanimously carried, to approve Items A through H, J and K on the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

Motion was made by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve Item I on the consent agenda. Voting AYE were Mayor McCartt, Commissioners Scott and Boyd; voting NO were none; ABSTAINING was Commissioner Simms; the motion carried by a 3:0:1 vote of the Commission.

A. <u>Purchase – Portable Radios</u>:

Award to WT Services/Motorola on Northwest Texas Council of Governments Coalition Cooperative Purchasing Contract -- \$289,953.00

This is the purchase of 97 hand-held radios and associated chargers for use by the Amarillo Fire Department. These radios will replace existing radios that are 8 years old and have surpassed their usable lifespan. The price includes a \$500 per unit trade-in allowance which has reduced the total purchase amount by over \$48,000. The new radios were selected after an in-field evaluation of available units and are designed to function in critical environments and provide increased firefighter safety through features that allow the radios to be incorporated in the firefighters self contained breathing systems and audible/visual confirmation of proper channel selection

B. <u>Purchase – Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Supplies</u>:

Award to sole (proprietary) bidder:

Panhandle Breathing Air Systems, Inc. -- \$28,398.46

This is the annual purchase of supplies and repair parts for the ISI Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) used by the Amarillo Fire Department.

C. <u>Purchase – Landfill Dozer:</u>

Award to Warren Cat on the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Contract -- \$221,011.60

D. <u>Award – Interstate Lighting Maintenance and Repair Contract:</u>

Award contract as follows:

AAA Electric Company - Primary Provider Duke Electric Co., Inc. - Secondary Provider

This is the award of two contracts to provide direct service to the City of Amarillo for the maintenance and repair of street lights located in the Interstate 27 and Interstate 40 rights-of-way within the Amarillo City Limits. The City is party to a long-standing agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation that requires the City to provide the maintenance and repair of these lights. Historically, the City has purchased the necessary poles, light heads, arms and other supplies through Southwestern Public Service Company (Xcel Energy) who has both maintained the inventory and contracted with providers to perform the

services as needed at an average annual cost to the City of approximately \$100,000. The current arrangement requires the City to pay a significant surcharge to Southwestern Public Service Company that can be eliminated by taking the inventory in-house and handling the provision of the maintenance and repair services directly. The estimated annual cost of these contracts is \$50,000 and will result in approximately a 50% savings to the City

Approval – Landfill Tier II Engineering Services Testing Contract: Ε. HDR Engineering, Inc. -- \$40,500.00 maximum, not to exceed cost

This is the award of a contract to conduct Tier II environmental testing at the City These federally required tests include evaluating for of Amarillo landfill. methane, carbon dioxide and oxygen at the landfill on a five year repeating cycle.

F. Approval – N.W. Hughes Street Sidewalk and ADA Ramp Project Change Order

Contractor: Advanced Pavement Maintenance

Original Contract Amount: \$223,302.50

\$ 24,135.00 (previously approved)

Change Order #2:
Revised Or \$ 30,636.00 Revised Contract Total: \$278,073.50

This is the approval of Change Order #2 on the N.W. Hughes Street (W. Amarillo Boulevard to N.W. 24th Avenue) Sidewalk and ADA Ramp Installation Project. This change order is necessary due to adjustments in the quantities of each work item required based on field conditions and requirements of adjoining properties.

Approval - FY2010 Justice Assistance Grant Program Application - 2010-G. H4914-TX-DJ:

This is approval of a grant application on behalf of the City of Amarillo and Potter County for federal law enforcement assistance funds through the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Edward Byrne Memorial Grant program. This grant application, in the amount of \$183,272, will be allocated on an even basis between the City and Potter County. The City's portion of this funding will be utilized to purchase equipment for officers working in the S.W.A.T. Team, Narcotics Unit and the Uniform and Detective Divisions.

Н. Approval - Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport Consolidated Concourse Change Order:

Contractor: Western Builders of Amarillo, Inc.

Original Contract Amount: \$33,664,000.00 Previous Net Changes: \$ (1,810,100.00) Proposed Change: \$ 37,670.00 Revised Contract Amount: \$31,891,570.00

This is approval of a change order for the Consolidated Concourse Project at the Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport. The change is necessary to accommodate the eventual build-out of the baggage screening space assigned to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). This change order will allow the current contractor to enlarge a hallway to ensure that the baggage screening equipment ultimately selected by the TSA will be able to be properly installed.

I. City of Amarillo Consent for Baptist Community Services to Participate in a Tax Exempt Financing Project:

The City of Amarillo consents to Baptist Community Services (BCS) participating in the financing or refinancing of the cost of acquisition, construction, repair, renovation, remodeling, equipping or improvement of its health care facilities and senior retirement facilities located in Amarillo. BCS is financing this project work through tax-exempt loans facilitated by the Splendora Cultural Éducation Facilities Finance Corporation in Splendora, Texas. Because this BCS project is located in Amarillo and is associated with a non-profit organization, the Federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requires City of Amarillo consent and the execution of a concurrence approval document by the Mayor. As part of this approval, the City of Amarillo is in no way liable, responsible or in any way obligated for this future tax-exempt debt being assumed by Baptist Community Services.

- J. <u>Approval Dedication and Acceptance Public Utility Easement</u>:
 15 ft. public utility easement on Lot 32, Block 1, Bertelson Acres Amended in Section 185, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, from Patsy Henson.
- K. <u>Dedication and Acceptance Aviation Clear Zone Easement</u>:
 4600 ft. MSL above the plat of Miller Paper Unit #1 from Joe Schmidt.

Mayor McCartt 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. There were no comments. Mayor McCartt announced that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:			
Donna DeRight, City Secretary	Debra McCartt, Mayor		