

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 5th day of October 2010, the Amarillo City Commission met at 12:00 p.m. at City Hall on the third floor in Room 303 in the Conference Room to review agenda items and to consider 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:

BRIAN EADES	MAYOR PRO TEM
MADISON SCOTT	COMMISSIONER NO. 1
RONALD BOYD	COMMISSIONER NO. 3
JIM SIMMS	COMMISSIONER NO. 4

Absent was Debra McCartt, Mayor, due to illness. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARRETT ATKINSON	INTERIM CITY MANAGER
KELLEY SHAW	DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
MARCUS NORRIS	CITY ATTORNEY
DONNA DERIGHT	CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Mr. Norris. Mayor Pro Tem Eades led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A proclamation was presented for "Domestic Violence Awareness Month".

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

ITEM 1: Mayor Pro Tem Eades presented the minutes of the regular meeting held September 28, 2010. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mayor Pro Tem Eades presented an ordinance to adopt the City of Amarillo Comprehensive Plan. This plan provides an overall strategic framework and suggestions to help elected officials and staff guide the orderly development, growth and redevelopment of Amarillo in the upcoming years.

Mayor Pro Tem Eades asked for comments regarding this ordinance. Ken Graham, 3007 Harmony, member of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, appeared in support of the plan and stated that this plan is intended to assist all neighborhoods with future planning. Erma Heras, 1604 S. Harrison, appeared and asked the Commission to table the plan to a later time because she is concerned about what will happen to her neighborhood with the new regulations. Gary Lindvay, 4802 Carole Lane, appeared against the plan. David Rodriguez, 304 N. Virginia, appeared in favor of the plan and stated how it will provide parks and additional green areas for the city's future growth. Kevin Locke, 1002 S. Bonham, appeared and stated that he likes some of the plan but not all of it. He expressed that many people have concerns regarding the downtown area and he asked the Commission to table the plan until people can better understand it. Alan Abraham, 7205 S.W. 35th, appeared and stated that many people are misinformed and that is why they are afraid of the Comprehensive Plan. He stated that the Downtown Urban Design Standard is what has people upset and they are confusing the two plans. Jim Ammons 1514 S. Pierce, appeared and commented that his neighborhood has improved over the last several years. Beth Duke, 3141 W. 28th, member of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, appeared and stated that this plan is the work of many people not just the committee. She expressed that the plan is a guide for our future and we will be able to use it as a vision for our city. Lilla Escajeda, 3104

S. Pittsburg, member of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, appeared and stated that it took a lot of hard work to get the plan completed and it will take many years to accomplish what is set out in it for our future growth and revitalization. She stated that working on the plan involved citizens from all areas who wanted it to be something good for the future of our city. Commissioner Scott stated that the Comprehensive Plan is not set in stone and should be considered a guide to leaders now and in the future to make good choices for our city. He commented that approving this plan is just being good stewards. Commissioner Simms thanked the Comprehensive Plan Committee for their work on the plan. He commented that the plan will happen as future growth occurs. He advised that nothing will come from the plan until the time comes for the City Commission to act on what the plan recommends and that will be as growth and revitalization begin. There were no further comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Scott, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7243

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF AMARILLO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 213 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE; DEFINING THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PLAN TO THE CITY'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 3: Mayor Pro Tem Eades presented an ordinance changing the zoning of a tract of land in the vicinity of Southwest 81st Avenue and Coulter Street from Agricultural District to Planned Development District 365 for a hair salon and mini-storage warehouses. There were no comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Simms, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7244

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 CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE VICINITY OF SOUTHWEST EIGHTY-FIRST AVENUE AND COULTER STREET, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

ITEM 4: Mayor Pro Tem Eades 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 Simms, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and unanimously carried, to approve the consent agenda and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for each transaction.

A. Purchase – Pavement Marking Materials:

Award to sole bidder: Flint Trading, Inc. -- \$32,567.50

This is the purchase of thermoplastic pavement marking materials. These products are pre-manufactured pavement marking symbols that are applied to various streets and intersections throughout the year to replace existing aged symbols or to mark new locations.

B. Approval – City Health Plan Hospital Services Contract – Extension No. 1:

Parties: City of Amarillo and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System

Terms and Conditions: No fee increase

Extension Period: One year – January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

This is the approval of one (1) one-year extension for the City Health Plan Hospital Services contract. This extension will continue services under the existing contract for calendar year 2011 and will do so with all other terms and conditions of the contract remaining unchanged, including contract rates.

- C. Approval – Firefighting Clothing Contract:
Award to low bidder meeting specifications:
Daco Fire Equipment Company, Inc. -- \$126,825.00

This is the approval of the annual contract to purchase protective clothing for the Amarillo Fire Department. The contract is for 75 sets of protective bunker pants and coats. These items will be used to replace existing protective clothing that is no longer serviceable and to equip new firefighters.

- D. Approval – Tax Collection Agreement:
Randall County – agreement for the collection of City of Amarillo taxes

- E. Approval – City of Amarillo Investment Policy:
This is the annual approval of the Investment Policy for the City of Amarillo organization. State law requires the City to have a written investment policy and for the City Commission to review and approve it annually.

- F. Dedication and Acceptance Easement:
10 ft. sanitary sewer line easement and a 20 ft. temporary easement in Section 155, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County from Martin P. Gutierrez and Mirna Gutierrez.

Mayor Pro Tem Eades 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 Pro Tem Eades announced that the meeting was adjourned and the City Commission would return to Executive Session.

ATTEST:

Donna DeRight, City Secretary

Brian Eades, Mayor Pro Tem