

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTIES OF POTTER  
AND RANDALL  
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 7th day of January 2020, the Amarillo City Council met at 1:00 p.m. for a regular meeting held in the Council Chamber located on the third floor of City Hall at 601 South Buchanan Street, with the following members present:

GINGER NELSON  
ELAINE HAYS  
FREDA POWELL  
EDDY SAUER  
HOWARD SMITH

MAYOR  
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1  
MAYOR PRO TEM/COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2  
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3  
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

Absent were none. Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

JARED MILLER  
MICHELLE BONNER  
BRYAN MCWILLIAMS  
ANDREW FREEMAN  
FRANCES HIBBS

CITY MANAGER  
DEPUTY CITY MANAGER  
CITY ATTORNEY  
DIR OF PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES  
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Lance Herrington, Paramount Baptist Church. Mayor Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A proclamation was presented for the "75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Kids, Inc."

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

**PUBLIC ADDRESS:**

Angel Roberts, signed up but did not appear. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Road, read a statement regarding abuse of power by the Mayor and Council by eliminating public comment and having a special bond election in May 2020. There were no further comments.

**ITEM 1:**

- A. Review agenda times for regular meeting and attachments;
- B. Reports and updates from City Councilmembers serving on outside Boards: Amarillo Local Government Corporation; Convention and Visitors Council; and
- C. Request future agenda items and reports from City Manager.

**CONSENT ACTION ITEMS:**

**ITEM 2:** Mayor Nelson presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilmember Sauer:

- A. **MINUTES:**  
Approval of the City Council minutes for the meeting held on December 17, 2019.
- B. **CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 7834:**  
(Contact: Emily Koller, Planning and Development Services Manager)  
This item is the second and final reading of an ordinance to consider amendments to the Amarillo Municipal Code, Chapter 4-10, Article IV, Section 4-10-1002, Downtown Urban Design Standards.

- C. **CONSIDER AWARD – LEASE FOR ELECTION EQUIPMENT:**  
 (Contact: Kevin Starbuck, Assistant City Manager)  
 Hart InterCivic, Inc. – \$179,591.50  
 This is a lease agreement with Hart InterCivic, Inc. for voting system equipment.
- D. **CONSIDER AWARD – PROPOSAL TO REMOVE AND REPAINT TAXIWAY KILO AND ASSOCIATED TAXIWAY CENTERLINES AND EDGELINES:**  
 (Contact: Michael W. Conner, Director of Aviation)  
 Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC – \$99,654.00  
 The Department of Aviation is seeking approval of the proposal from Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC. It is a current Sourcewell (Formally NJPA) vendor qualified to perform airfield repair services. This proposal encompasses the first of three phases to remove and repaint all airfield markings to ensure compliance with current Federal Aviation Administration regulatory standards and maintain the safety of the traveling public. Taxiway Kilo and associated taxiways, Phase 1, was selected first to build cost savings and efficiencies in the two remaining phases and represents the greatest need on the airfield.
- E. **CONSIDER APPROVAL – TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) ROUTINE AIRPORT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (RAMP) GRANT AGREEMENT:**  
 (Contact: Michael W. Conner, Director of Aviation)  
 Texas Department of Transportation – Grant up to \$100,000.00  
 The Department of Aviation is seeking approval of the 2020 RAMP Grant agreement. This grant will match funds, at 50%, up to \$100,000.00 of total project costs. Projects and services are selected based on Airport needs and evaluated for funding eligibility under the General Maintenance guidelines in this grant agreement.
- F. **CONSIDER AWARD – AMMUNITION:**  
 (Contact: Trent Davis, Director of Purchasing)  
 Award to GT Distributors – \$71,605.54  
 This award consists of ammunition for the Police Shooting Range, Airport Police, SWAT, Narcotics and Fire Marshall.
- G. **CONSIDER APPROVAL -- STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) GRANT PURCHASE OF AMARILLO POLICE DEPARTMENT BOMB SUITS:**  
 (Contact: Chip Orton, Emergency Management)  
 Med-Eng – \$79,752.00  
 This agenda item is to approve two new bomb suits for the Amarillo Police Department Bomb Squad which are replacing bomb suits well past their end-of-life that are 14 and 19 years old. Funding was awarded through a competitive process for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant that requires no match.
- H. **CONSIDER APPROVAL -- INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CANYON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF AMARILLO:**  
 (Contact: Floyd Hartman, Assistant City Manager)  
 This items considers approval of an interlocal agreement between the Canyon Independent School District and the City of Amarillo to facilitate the timely installation of public improvements related to the future high school site located near the intersection of Arden Road and the new Loop 335. The maximum cost participation by the City will be:
1. Engineering Services- Up to \$46,800.00.
  2. Participation per City policy in paving of Arden Road up to \$800,000.

- I. **CONSIDER PURCHASE – AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ALERTING EQUIPMENT OF THE NEW FIRE STATION 5:**  
 (Contact: Jeff Greenlee, Fire Chief)  
 Locution Systems, Inc. – \$63,167.00  
 The Amarillo Fire Department currently uses Locution Systems, Inc. as the provider for all Amarillo Fire Station alerting systems. The alerting systems are used by Amarillo Emergency Communications Center to notify and dispatch firefighters to emergency incidents and must therefore be compatible. These systems are specifically designed to the space and construction specifications of the new stations and are planned components of the construction process for new fire stations.
- J. **CONSIDER APPROVAL – AUTHORIZE A SUPPLY AGREEMENT FOR FERRARA FIRE APPARATUS PARTS THROUGH THE TEXAS SOLE SOURCE PROVIDER:**  
 (Contact: Sam Baucom, Deputy Fire Chief)  
 Sole Source Provider: Lone Star Emergency Group – \$140,000.00  
 This agreement allows for the purchase of parts either proprietary to Ferrara Fire Apparatus, or parts that are unique. It is required that parts are purchased through an authorized dealer. This supply agreement is to establish a set discounted price for OEM replacement parts.
- K. **CONSIDER APPROVAL – AUTHORIZE A SUPPLY AGREEMENT FOR CERTIFIED NFPA 1971 COMPLIANT FIREFIGHTER GARMENTS (COAT & PANTS) SUPPLY AGREEMENT:**  
 (Contact: Sam Baucom, Deputy Fire Chief)  
 Darco Fire Equipment – \$132,700.00  
 This item purchases personal protective equipment (PPE), aka firefighter “bunker gear” for protective garments during firefighting operations. Per state regulations, this firefighter PPE must meet the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1971 standard and must be replaced regularly when excessively worn out or before it turns 10 years old. This supply agreement will establish a set price for the replacement of NFPA-compliant PPE necessary to replace firefighters PPE.
- L. **CONSIDER PURCHASE – REDI MIX CONCRETE:**  
 (Contact: Donny Hooper, Assistant Director of Public Works)  
 Award to low bidder: Thomas Redi-Mix Company, Inc. – \$350,775.75  
 This item awards a contract for the purchase of Redi-Mix Concrete used by the Street Division primarily for the repair of utility cuts in streets, alleys, and other miscellaneous projects.
- M. **CONSIDER APPROVAL – AVIATION CLEAR ZONE EASEMENT:**  
 (Contact: Cris Valverde, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services)  
 This item considers an Aviation Clear Zone Easement being 4,450 feet above mean sea level above the plat of Morrison Acres Unit No. 2, a suburban subdivision to the City of Amarillo, being a unplatted tract of land, in Section 151, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**NON-CONSENT ITEMS:**

**ITEM 3A:** Mayor Nelson presented the first reading of an ordinance considering an ordinance rezoning Lot 1, Block 35, The Colonies Unit No. 62 in Section 40, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public way to change from Agricultural District to Residential District 1. (Vicinity: Liberty Circle and Continental Parkway.) This item was presented by Cris Valverde, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Services. Mayor Nelson opened a public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. Motion was made that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Smith:



## ORDINANCE NO. 7835

AN ORDINANCE OF 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 VICINITY OF LIBERTY CIRCLE AND CONTINENTAL PARKWAY, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**ITEM 3B:** Mayor Nelson presented a resolution to submit a Bus and Bus Facilities (5339 Program) Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Transportation in the amount of \$212,749 and to the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$42,550 on behalf of the City of Amarillo. This item was presented by Christopher Quigley, Assistant Transit Director. Mayor Nelson opened a public hearing. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Road, inquired where the multi-modal facility would be located. Mayor Nelson stated there is a preliminary land site. Mr. Miller replied that land has been purchased by a private party and ownership has been transferred to the City. There were no further comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. Motion was made that the following captioned resolution be passed by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer:

## RESOLUTION NO. 01-07-20-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: CONDUCTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMARILLO CITY TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS; AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZING WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 SMALL URBAN BUS AND BUS FACILITIES 5339 PROGRAM GRANT; DESIGNATING AN AUTHORIZED AGENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALER CLAUSE; AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**ITEM 3C:** Mayor Nelson presented an item awarding the construction contract to Plains Builders for the construction of the new Fire Station #5 located at 3200 South Washington Street. This project is bond funded as authorized in the November 2016 election for Proposition 2. This item was presented by Jerry Danforth, Facilities Director. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Hays to approve this item.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**ITEM 3D:** Mayor Nelson presented an item awarding the construction contract to Tri-State General Contractors Group, Inc. for the construction of the new Animal Management & Welfare (AM&W) Observation Building located at 3501 South Osage Street. This project is bond funded as authorized in the November 2016 election for Proposition 2. This item was presented by Jerry Danforth, Facilities Director. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer to approve this item.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**ITEM 3E:** Mayor Nelson presented an item to approve the purchase and installation of playground equipment and safety surfacing at Sam Houston Park to replace the existing playground. This item was presented by Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Hays to approve this item.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.


**ITEM 3F:** Mayor Nelson presented an item to approve Amendment No. 1 for engineering services with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the design of Dale Street and the adjacent embankments of Martin Road Lake, including construction phase services. This item was presented by Kyle Schniederjan, Director of Capital Projects & Development. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve this item.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Hays, Powell, Sauer and Smith; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

**ITEM 3G:** Mr. McWilliams advised at 2:03 p.m. that the City Council would convene in Executive Session per Texas Government Code: 1) Sec.551.071 – Consult with Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or settlement of same or on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter. (a) Pending litigation: City of Amarillo vs. Mission Clay Pipe, et al. (b) Discuss property located in the vicinity of East 34th Avenue and South Osage Street. 2) Section 551.072 - Discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, sale, or value of real property and public discussion of such would not be in the best interests of the City's bargaining position: (a) Discuss property located in the vicinity of East 34th Avenue and South Osage Street. (b) Discuss property located in the NE quadrant of the Central Business District. 3) Section 551.087 - Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations; discussion of commercial or financial information received from an existing business or business prospect with which the city is negotiating for the location or retention of a facility, or for incentives the city is willing to extend, or financial information submitted by the same: (a) Discuss property located in the NE quadrant of the Central Business District.

Mr. McWilliams announced that the Executive Session was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. and recessed the Regular Meeting.

ATTEST:

  
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 Frances Hibbs, City Secretary

  
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 Ginger Nelson, Mayor