STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 10th day of May 2022, the Amarillo City Council met at 1:00 p.m. for a regular meeting held in Council Chamber, located on the third floor of City Hall at 601 South Buchanan Street, with the following members present:

GINGER NELSON MAYOR

FREDA POWELL MAYOR PRO TEM/COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2

COLE STANLEY COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
EDDY SAUER COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
HOWARD SMITH COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

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

JARED MILLER CITY MANAGER

ANDREW FREEMAN ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER LAURA STORRS ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

BRYAN MCWILLIAMS CITY ATTORNEY

JENIFER RAMIREZ ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER

STEPHANIE COGGINS CITY SECRETARY

A quorum was established by Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley. Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m., welcomed those in attendance, and the following items of business were conducted.

The invocation was given by Mary Nell Hunt of Pray the City. Mayor Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council presented a proclamation for "Older Americans Month" that was read by Mayor Nelson and accepted by Lisa Hancock with the Area Agency on Aging in the Panhandle and a proclamation for "Kids to Parks Day" that was read by Councilmember Powell and accepted by Kristen Wolbach, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation.

### **PUBLIC ADDRESS**

There was no one signed up for public address.

### **ITEM 2 – CONSENT ACTION ITEMS:**

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

#### A. CONSIDER APPROVAL - MINUTES

(Contact: Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

This item considers approval of the City Council minutes for the regular meeting held on April 26, 2022.

### **B. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 7975**

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Planner II)

This item is a second and final reading to consider an Ordinance annexing into the City of Amarillo, Potter and Randall County, Texas, on petition of property owner, territory generally described as a 77.29-acre tract of land being all of West Plains High School Unit No. 1, a suburban subdivision to the City of Amarillo, and unplatted land, all in Section 73, Block 9, B.S.&F. Survey, Randall County, Texas. (Vicinity: Helium

Rd. and Arden Rd.; Applicant/s: Canyon Independent School District and Helium Hope Development LLC.)

### C. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 7976

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Planner II)

This is a second and final reading to consider an ordinance rezoning a 1.40-acre tract of unplatted land, in Section 63, Block 9, B.S.&F. Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways, to change from Agricultural District (A) to General Retail District (GR). (Vicinity: McKenna Sq. and East Village Sq.; Applicant: Mike Ross for Domain at Town Square LTD.)

### D. <u>CONSIDER AWARD – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL</u> <u>GOVERNMENT RELATIONS SERVICES</u>

(Contact: Andrew Freeman, Assistant City Manager)
Award to: The Normandy Group - \$180,000.00

This item considers the award of a one-year contract for professional services focused on increasing Amarillo's Federal Agency Engagement related to ongoing grants, funding, and other opportunities meeting City Council priorities.

# E. <u>CONSIDER PURCHASE - AUTOMATED METER INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI)</u> <u>COMPATABLE METERS</u>

(Contact: Jonathan Gresham, Director of Utilities) Award to: Western Industrial - \$171,690.00

This item considers the purchase of smart meters to be installed in new development and growth areas. These meters will integrate into the new AMI smart meter system.

# F. <u>CONSIDER APPROVAL – REPLACEMENT MIXER FOR RAW WATER RESERVOIR</u>

(Contact: Jonathan Gresham, Director of Utilities) Award to: IXOM Watercare, Inc. - \$63,650.00

This item considers the approval to replace an existing mixer located at the Raw Water Reservoir. This approval will include delivery, assembly, and startup of a new mixer. This mixer is utilized at the Raw Water Reservoir and used to continuously mix water to mitigate algae blooms and prevent lake turnover.

#### G. CONSIDER PURCHASE - TRAFFIC SIGN EQUIPMENT

(Contact: Donny Hooper, Public Works Director)
Award to: Gevecko Markings Inc (Lot 1) - \$24,556.38
Vulcan Signs (Lots 2-5) - \$47,013.40
Total Award - \$71,569.78

This item considers the purchase for Traffic Sign Equipment to be used at existing locations, this equipment is the replacement of materials that have reached their lifespan or no longer meet Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) mandates or are not compatible with reflective regulations.

# H. CONSIDER AWARD - CONTRACT FOR THIRD AVENUE STORMWATER LIFT STATION REHABILITATION

(Contact: Donny Hooper, Public Works Director)

Award to: Amarillo Utility Contractors, Inc.- \$312,000.00

This item considers the award of a contract to rehabilitate the Third Avenue Stormwater Lift Station which removes stormwater from the Third Avenue railroad underpass. This project includes the replacement of the existing pumps, motors, plumbing and associated components as well as the installation of water level sensors

# I. CONSIDER APPROVAL – AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT FOR INTERPRETATION SERVICES

(Contact: Casie Stoughton, Public Health Director)
Award to: Refugee Language Project - \$100,000.00

This item considers approval of an amendment to the contract for interpretation services that adds an additional scope of work consistent with grant deliverables. This item will be funded through grants received from the Texas Department of State Health Services.

# J. <u>CONSIDER AWARD - CONTRACT FOR COMPREHENSIVE ELECTRICAL SERVICES AT PARKS AND ATHLETIC FACILITIES</u>

(Contact: Michael Kashuba, Parks and Recreation Director) Award to: AAA Electric Company – Not to exceed \$200,000.00

This item considers the award of a contract for comprehensive electrical services, including repairs and installation, throughout City of Amarillo parks and athletic complexes. The contract is for an initial term of one year and the option to renew for two additional one-year terms.

### K. CONSIDER PURCHASE - LIQUID CHLORINE FOR USE IN THOMPSON POOL

(Contact: Michael Kashuba, Parks and Recreation Director)

Award to: Brenntag Southwest, Inc. - \$65,000.00

This item considers the purchase of liquid chlorine that will be used to chlorinate and disinfect the Thompson Pool in order to maintain chemical levels and eliminate microorganisms, bacteria, and algae.

# L. <u>CONSIDER PURCHASE - POWER SWITCHES FOR VOICE-OVER-IP (VOIP)</u> PROJECT

(Contact: Rich Gagnon, Managing Director of IT)

Award to: Dell - \$248,782.25 (thru DIR Contract # DIR-TSO-3763)

This item considers the purchase of power switches that represent information technology infrastructure necessary for the implementation of the VOIP project.

## M. <u>CONSIDER AWARD – CONSULTING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR BROADBAND PROJECT</u>

(Contact: Rich Gagnon, Managing Director of IT)

Award to: Impact Broadband - Not to exceed \$219,200.00

This item considers the award of a contract for consulting services necessary for program design, operational structure, and sustainable funding of the Broadband project. This item will be funded through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal grant funds.

# N. <u>CONSIDER AWARD – CONTRACT FOR TREE REMOVAL SERVICES IN SAN JACINTO NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN BOUNDARY</u>

(Contact: Emily Koller, Assistant Director of Planning)

Award to: Wright Away Tree Service – Not to exceed \$50,000.00

This item is to consider the award of a contract for tree removal services within the San Jacinto Neighborhood Plan boundary.

### O. CONSIDER APPROVAL - AVIATION CLEAR ZONE EASEMENT

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Planner II)

This item is the consideration of an Aviation Clear Zone Easement, being 4,750 feet above mean sea level above the plat of South Georgia Place Unit No. 40, an addition to the City of Amarillo, being an unplatted tract of land, in Section 183, Block 2, A.B.&M. Survey, Randall County, Texas. (Vicinity:

Georgia St. and Farmers Ave.; Applicant/s: Keith Smith for Betenbough Homes, LLC)

### P. CONSIDER APPROVAL - AVIATION CLEAR ZONE EASEMENT

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Planner II)

This item is the consideration of an Aviation Clear Zone Easement, being 4,850 feet above mean sea level above the plat of Farmers Substation Unit No. 1, an addition to the City of Amarillo and a suburban subdivision to the City of Amarillo, being an unplatted tract of land, in Section 182, Block 2, A.B.&M. Survey, Randall County, Texas. (Vicinity: Georgia St. and Farmers Ave.; Applicant: Southwestern Public Service Company, Inc.)

# Q. <u>CONSIDER APPROVAL - PROPERTY OWNER AUTHORIZATION FOR HISTORICAL MARKER PLACEMENT IN BONES HOOKS PARK</u>

(Contact: Emily Koller, Assistant Director of Planning)

This item is to consider authorizing Jared Miller, City Manager to execute Attachment A "Permission of Property Owner for Marker Placement" in the Texas Historical Commission Subject Marker application. The application is for a Bones Hooks subject marker to be placed in Bones Hooks Park.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

## ITEM 1 - CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS OR RECEIVE REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING CURRENT MATTERS OR PROJECTS:

- A. Review agenda items for regular meeting and attachments;
- B. Discuss Recap of Earth Day; and

Mayor Nelson called a recess of the meeting at 1:25 p.m. and asked Councilmembers to return at 3:00 p.m. Mayor Nelson resumed the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

## <u>ITEM 1 – CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS OR RECEIVE REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING CURRENT MATTERS OR PROJECTS</u>:

C. Request future agenda items and reports from City Manager.

### <u>ITEM 3 – NON-CONSENT ITEMS</u>:

ITEM 3A: Mayor Nelson introduced an item for a public hearing and first reading of Ordinance No. 7977. Kevin Carter, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation, presented the item. Mayor Nelson opened a public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 7977 which designates a zone of the city that is approximately 1,108.70 acres in the vicinity of US Hwy 287, Interstate 40 and West of FM 1912 as Reinvestment Zone No. 17 for commercial and industrial tax abatement Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Smith.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 7977

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL: DESIGNATING CERTAIN AREAS AS REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 17 FOR COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT, CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE, CHAPTER 312, SUBCHAPTERS A & B, ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING A SEVERANCE CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM 3B: Mayor Nelson introduced an item for a public hearing and first reading of Ordinance No. 7978. Kevin Carter, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation, presented the item. Mayor Nelson opened a public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 7978 which designates a zone of the city that is approximately 539.8 acres in the vicinity of US Hwy 60 and Parsley Road as Reinvestment Zone No. 18 for commercial and industrial tax abatement by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 7978

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL: DESIGNATING CERTAIN AREAS AS REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 18 FOR COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT, CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE, CHAPTER 312, SUBCHAPTERS A & B, ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING A SEVERANCE CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM 3C: Mayor Nelson introduced an item for a public hearing and first reading of Ordinance No. 7979. Emily Koller, Assistant Director of Planning, presented the item. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 7979 amending the Amarillo Municipal Code, Chapter 4-6, Article IV, by adding Section 4-6-191 regarding the City's Sidewalk Cost-Share Program by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 7979**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE AMARILLO MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 4-6, ARTICLE IV, BY ADDING SECTION 4-6-191 REGARDING THE CITY'S SIDEWALK COST-SHARE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM 3D: Mayor Nelson introduced an item for a public hearing and first reading of Ordinance No. 7980. Mr. Freeman presented the item. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 7980 which amends the Project Plans and Cost, as originally adopted by Ordinance No. 7076 and amended by Ordinance No. 7578, as stated within the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 City of Amarillo, Texas Final Project and Financing Plan by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Stanley.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 7980

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE 7076 AS TO THE PROJECT PLANS AND COST AS STATED WITHIN THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE #1 CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS FINAL PROJECT AND FINANCING PLAN; PROVIDING RATIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AND REPEALER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**ITEM 3E**: Mayor Nelson introduced an item to consider acceptance of a grant. Ms. Storrs and Casie Stoughton, Public Health Director, presented the item. A motion was made to accept the Safe Kids Grant that will be awarded by the Harrington Cancer and Health Foundation in the amount of \$180,000.00 by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Sauer.

Voting AYE were Mayor Nelson and Councilmembers Powell, Sauer, Smith and Stanley; voting NO were none; absent were none; the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

### **ITEM 4 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**:

Mr. McWilliams advised at 3:55 p.m. that the City Council would convene in Executive Session per Texas Government Code: A) Sec. 551.087 – Discussion regarding commercial or financial information received from a business prospect and/or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect: (i) Project # 21-10-03 (Manufacturing), (ii) Project # 21-12-01 (Manufacturing), (iii) Project # 22-02-04 (Manufacturing), and (iv) Project # 22-02-05 (Manufacturing).

Mr. McWilliams announced that Executive Session was adjourned at 5:04 p.m. and recessed the Regular Meeting.

ATTEST:

Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

Ginger/Nelson, Mayor