

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 17th day of January 2017, the Amarillo City Council met at 3:30 p.m. for a work session, and the regular session was held at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located on the third floor of City Hall at 509 Southeast 7th Avenue, with the following members present:

PAUL HARPOLE
ELISHA DEMERSON
LISA BLAKE
RANDY BURKETT
MARK NAIR

MAYOR
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 3
COUNCILMEMBER NO. 4

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

BOB COWELL
MICK MCKAMIE
BLAIR SNOW
FRANCES HIBBS

INTERIM CITY MANAGER
CITY ATTORNEY
MANAGEMENT ANALYST
CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Councilmember Elisha Demerson. Mayor Harpole led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ITEM 1: Mayor Harpole presented the minutes for January 10, 2017. Motion was made by Councilmember Blake to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilmember Burkett, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

ITEM 2: Mr. McKamie, City Attorney, stated he and Ron Holifield with Strategic Government Resources, engaged with the City Manager candidate to discuss terms Council had requested. Those terms have been concluded as directed by Council. The candidate did sign off on the major terms, and this item is for final action. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett to appoint the City Manager, Jared Miller, seconded by Councilmember Nair.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 3: Councilmember Demerson stated he was personally disappointed that information was shared prematurely, but Council has done a remarkable job in choosing the best man for the position and for the residents of this community. Motion was made by Councilmember Demerson to approve the employment agreement for Jared Miller, City Manager, seconded by Councilmember Burkett.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 4: Mayor Harpole presented the first and final reading of an ordinance discussing and considering the issuance of the City of Amarillo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017 and resolving other matters incident and related thereto. Mayor Harpole announced this item would now be considered at the January 24, 2017 Council meeting. Councilmember Nair stated this item was in regard to issuing the Certificates of Obligation, what the City is trying to accomplish and the debt that they would issue. Councilmember Demerson stated the costs came in 30% below the estimated costs. Motion was made by Councilmember Nair to table this item until next week, seconded by Councilmember Blake.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair;

voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 7645

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF "CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS, COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2017"; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION BY THE LEVY OF AN AD VALOREM TAX UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY AND A LIMITED PLEDGE OF THE CITY'S WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM; SPECIFYING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION; RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE, PAYMENT, SECURITY, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF SAID CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, INCLUDING THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT AND THE APPROVAL AND DISTRIBUTION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ITEM 5: Mayor Harpole presented the first reading of an ordinance providing for specified changes in the adopted Comprehensive Plan by amending the Future Land Use and Character Map, specifically for eight parcels located north of West Farmers Avenue and east of South Western Street, and falling within a study area of approximately 800' along South Western Street from IH-27 (Canyon Drive) to the southernmost city limit (West Sundown Lane); providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Vicinity: South Western Street from IH-27 (Canyon Drive) to West Sundown Lane.) AJ Fawver presented this item. Ms. Fawver stated these changes attempt to plan for the future more reactively. The City departments are working together in the same direction and utilizing the plan in place. Councilmember Burkett stated he preferred this approach. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett, seconded by Councilmember Nair, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7646

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS BY AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE AND CHARACTER MAP SPECIFICALLY FOR PARCELS WITHIN APPROXIMATELY 800' ALONG SOUTH WESTERN STREET FROM IH-27 (CANYON DR) TO THE SOUTHERNMOST CITY LIMIT (WEST SUNDOWN LN); PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 6: Mayor Harpole presented the first reading of an ordinance rezoning of a 6.53 acre portion of land out of Lot 8, South Side Acres Unit No. 1, in Section 230, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways to change from Residential District 1 (R-1) to General Retail District (GR). (Vicinity: Western Street and Catalpa Lane.) AJ Fawver presented this item. Motion was made by Councilmember Nair, seconded by Councilmember Burkett, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7647

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 SOUTH WESTERN STREET AND CATALPA LANE, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 7: Mayor Harpole presented the first reading of an ordinance rezoning a 19.12 acre tract of land in Section 62, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways to change from Agricultural District to General Retail District. (Vicinity: South Soncy Road (Loop 335) and Anton Kuster Avenue.) AJ Fawver presented this item. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, inquired as to the proximity of the city limits. Motion was made by Councilmember Burkett, seconded by Councilmember Blake, that the following captioned ordinance be passed on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 7648

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 SOUTH SONCY ROAD (LOOP 335) AND ANTON KUSTER AVENUE, RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

ITEM 8: Mayor Harpole presented the consent agenda and asked if any item should be removed for discussion or separate consideration. There were none. Motion was made by Councilmember Blake to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Burkett.

A. Purchase – Cars and Light Trucks:

Award to low bidders meeting specifications as follows:

Gene Messer Ford of Amarillo – Lines 2,5,8,9,12,15 \$285,087.00

Caldwell Country Ford dba Rockdale Country Ford –

Lines 1,3,4,10,11,14 \$482,164.00

Caldwell Country Chevrolet – Lines 6,7,13,16 \$605,716.00

Total Award: \$1,372,967.00

This item is the scheduled replacement of fleet vehicles that have reached or exceeded usable lifecycle approved in the 2016-2017 budgets.

B. Award – Electrical Supplies Annual Contract:

Awarded on Buyboard Purchasing Cooperative Contract to Dealers
Electrical Supply not to exceed amount of \$423,000

This award is to approve a contract for the purchase of electrical supplies.

C. Award of Paper Goods Supply Agreement:

Mayfield Paper Co. \$164.00

Miller Paper Co. \$119,234.00

Empire Paper Co. \$453.60

Wagner Supply Co. \$2,704.00

Pyramid School Products \$552.00

Total Amount Awarded: \$123,107.60

This award is to approve an annual contract for the purchase of paper goods for the City of Amarillo.

D. Approval – Playground Replacement and Swings at Mesa Verde School Park:

Playwell Group -- \$188,716.09

This item authorizes the contract award to the Playwell Group to provide and construct the new playground and swings replacement at Mesa Verde School Park.

Voting AYE were Mayor Harpole, Councilmembers Blake, Demerson, Burkett and Nair; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 5:0 vote of the Council.

Mayor Harpole announced that this is the end of the regular agenda, but this time is reserved to hear from any citizen concerning matters pertaining to City policies, programs or services not on today's agenda. The public forum is set under the Open

Meetings Act and that during the public forum the City Council can respond with a statement of fact, a statement of City policy or decide whether to place an item on a future agenda.

William Sumerford, 6103 Blue Sage Circle, asked the Council to consider three items on the May 6, 2017 ballot: 1) change the designation of AEDC to a Type B Corporation; 2) include a pay increase for the Mayor and Council which would require a change to the City Charter. Such pay should be in an amount much like Potter/Randall County(ies) Commissioners with the Mayor receiving 20% more; and, 3) to change the referendum requirements back to what they were. He further stated they are virtually impossible for citizens to have local involvement. James Schenck, 6216 Gainsborough Street, concurred with Mr. Sumerford, and stated the need to work quickly to get these items on the ballot. He stated the pay increase would allow for more qualified candidates. Mr. Schenck further inquired when the new City Manager would begin. Mayor Harpole stated approximately February 20, 2017, or it could be sooner. Mr. Schenck inquired as to when the CIP would continue. Mr. Cowell stated on the 31st. Jesse Pfrimmer, 5723 Milam Street, stated he has heard complaints on the striping of the city streets. Mayor Harpole stated the requirements were set by the federal government. Cheryl Austin, 166 Cliffside, questioned the amount of money spent on advisory companies and the amount spent to obtain the city manager. Ms. Austin also stated Wedgeworth v. City of Amarillo had no immunity. Councilmember Burkett stated the amount paid to the recruiter included salaries. Mildred Thornton, 2005 Northwest 14 Avenue, inquired as to the illegal tire dumping issue. There were no further comments.

Mayor Harpole advised that the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:



Frances Hibbs, City Secretary



Paul Harpole, Mayor