Amarillo City Council
Regular Meeting

October 22, 2024
3:00 PM
City Hall - Council Chamber
601 S. Buchanan Street, 3rd Floor
Amarillo, Texas 79101

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

On October 22, 2024 the Amarillo City Council met at 3:00 PM 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:

Mayor Cole Stanley
Councilmember, Place 1 Josh Craft
Councilmember, Place 2 Don Tipps
Councilmember, Place 3 Tom Scherlen
Councilmember, Place 4 Les Simpson
Absent were none.

Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:
Grayson Path, City Manager
Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager
Rich Gagnon, Assistant City Manager and CIO
Laura Storrs, Assistant City Manager and CFO
Floyd Hartman, Assistant City Manager
Bryan McWilliams, City Attorney
Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

Mayor Stanley established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

2. Invocation Davlyn Duesterhaus, Retired BSA Chaplain

Shane Chadwick, Amarillo Police Department Chaplain, gave an invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Stanley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. The Texas Pledge

Mayor Stanley led the Texas Pledge.

5. Proclamations

5.A. Municipal Court Week

Councilmember Josh Craft read the proclamation, and it was accepted by Donna Knight, Director of Court Services, and members of the Municipal Court and Judicial departments.

5.B. National Chiropractic Health Month

Councilmember Les Simpson read the proclamation, and it was accepted by Dr. Jon Blackwell.

5.C. National Code Compliance Month

Councilmember Don Tipps read the proclamation, and it was accepted by Jacob Diaz, City Marshal, and members of the City Marshal's Office.

6. Announcements

7. Public Comment The public will be permitted to offer public comment on agenda items and items related to City business. Citizens interested in commenting may sign up online at https://www.amarillo.gov/departments/city-manager/city-secretary/public-address-registration-form, by calling the City Secretary's office at (806) 378-3014, or in person in Room 303 of City Hall, 601 S. Buchanan. Citizens should signup at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting start time.

Mayor Stanley opened public comment. The following individuals spoke:

Babji Yalamanchili, of Amarillo	Citizen
Fernando Lopez, of Amarillo	Citizen
Bill Harris, of Amarillo	Citizen
Richard Brown, of Amarillo	Citizen
Sam Burnett, of Amarillo	Citizen
Teresa Burnett, of Amarillo	Citizen
John Adair, of Amarillo	Citizen
Mike Fisher, of Amarillo	Citizen
Sylvia Stephens, of Amarillo	Citizen
James Schenck, of Amarillo	Citizen

Mayor Stanley closed public comment.

8. Discussion Items City Council will discuss or receive reports on the following current matters or projects.

8.A. Review agenda items for regular meeting and attachments

8.B. Fleet vehicle leasing program update

8.C. Facilities update on the following projects: City Hall, Grant Street Drainage, Service Center North, Service Center Fuel Islands, Transformation Park, Civic Center Coliseum Flooring, Amarillo Police Department Regional Crime Center, and Municipal Court Building Streetscape

8.D. Discuss and receive feedback on possible amendments to the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation – Type A's Articles of Incorporation intended to better ensure operational compliance with applicable law

8.E. Updates from Councilmembers serving on outside boards and commissions

i. Beautification and Public Arts Advisory Board
ii. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
iii. Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee
iv. Amarillo Local Government Corporation
v. Convention and Visitors Bureau

8.F. Request future agenda items and reports from City Manager.

9. **Consent Items** It is recommended that the following items be approved and that the City Manager be authorized to execute all documents necessary for each transaction. The following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Councilmember, in which event the item shall be considered in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon by a single motion.

Mayor Stanley introduced the consent agenda and asked if anything should be pulled for separate discussion and consideration.

ACTION:	Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by Don Tipps, second by Josh Craft; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

9.A. CONSIDER APPROVAL - MINUTES
This item considers approval of the City Council minutes for the work session held on October 8, 2024.

(Contact: Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

9.B. CONSIDER APPROVAL - MINUTES
This item considers approval of the City Council minutes for the regular meeting held on October 8, 2024.

(Contact: Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

9.C. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 8166
This item is the second and final reading of an ordinance regarding the City of Amarillo's Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) benefits authorizing: (1) non-retroactive repeating COLAs, for retirees and their beneficiaries under TMRS Act §853.404(f) and (f-1), and (2) annually accruing updated service credits.

(Contact: Laura Storrs, Assistant City Manager and CFO)

9.D. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-1
This item considers a resolution approving the amended Articles of Incorporation of the Amarillo Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

(Contact: Kashion Smith, Convention and Visitor's Bureau)

9.E. CONSIDER APPROVAL - AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION OFFICE AND THE CITY OF AMARILLO
This item considers the approval of Amendment No. 3 to Agreement in Principle (AIP) Contract CP22003, which adds to the City of Amarillo's fiscal year 2025 funding in the amount of $218,416 for a cumulative total of $913,953.29 within the contract term. The funding received through this agreement is to conduct emergency management activities in preparation for a response to an incident at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Pantex Plant.

(Contact: Max Dunlap, Emergency Management Coordinator)

9.F. CONSIDER AWARD - WASHER & DRYER INSTALLATIONS FOR VARIOUS FIRE STATIONS

This item considers the award of a contract to install mechanical and electrical systems for future washers and dryers for the Amarillo Fire Department at several fire station locations, including Fire Station 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12, and 13.
Award to: Panhandle Steel Buildings, INC (Buy Board #728-24)
Amount: $168,226.00
Funding Source: General fund revenues
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: Jerry Danforth, Director of Facilities)

9.G. CONSIDER AWARD - HEXAGON INTERGRAPH COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

This item considers the award of a renewal annual contract for the maintenance of the Hexagon CAD system at Amarillo Emergency Communications Center (AECC).
Award to: Hexagon Intergraph
Amount: $236,227.56
Funding Source: General fund revenues
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: David Kouba, Deputy Fire Chief)

9.H. CONSIDER AWARD - CONTRACT FOR NEW LED PARK LIGHTING AND CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR MARY HAZELRIGG PARK.

This item considers the award of a contract for the demolition of the old lighting systems and installation of new LED park lighting and lighting control systems for Mary Hazelrigg Park.
Award to: Musco Sports Lighting, LLC (BuyBoard #677-22)
Amount: $123,134.00
Funding Source: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and Neighborhood Initiative general funds
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation)

9.I. CONSIDER APPROVAL – CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO STORMWATER VAULT ADDITIONS CONTRACT

This item considers the approval of Change Order No. 1 to the Stormwater Vault

Additions project contract. This change order will add direct power to two sites.
Award to: HDR Engineering
Amount:

Original Award	$161,010.00
Change Order No. 1	39,961.00
Total Revised Award	$200,971.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: Shannon Tollison, Assistant Director)

9.J. CONSIDER PURCHASE – ABSORBENT MEDIA

This item considers the award of absorbent media for toxic gas elimination at the Osage Water Treatment Facility.
Award to: PureAir Filtration
Amount: $66,670.00
Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues.
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: Michael Price, Director of Utilities)

10. Non-Consent Items

10.A. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 8167

This item is a public hearing and first reading to consider an ordinance rezoning a 203.73 acre tract of unplatted 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 Multiple-Family District 1. (VICINITY: SW 45th Ave. & Soncy Rd.; APPLICANT/S: Will Stephens for A.G. Attebury Testamentary Trust)

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner, presented the item. Mayor Stanley opened a public hearing. Tyler Apple spoke on the item. Mayor Stanley closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 8167 by Josh Craft, second by Tom Scherlen;
Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.

AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.B. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-2

This is the consideration of a resolution of the City Council for the City of Amarillo, setting a date, time, and place for a public hearing on the proposed annexation of an approximate 253.61 acre tract of unplatted land, in Section 12, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, Texas, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreed service plan. (APPLICANT/S: North Western Development Company LLC.; VICINITY: N. Western St. & Hastings Ave.)

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Mr. Kendrick presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-22-24-2 by Don Tipps, second by Tom Scherlen; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.C. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-3

This is the consideration of a resolution of the City Council for the City of Amarillo, setting a date, time, and place for a public hearing on the proposed annexation of an approximate 25.77 acre tract of unplatted land, in Section 153, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreed service plan. (APPLICANT/S: PEGA Development, LLC and Perry Williams Inc.; VICINITY: SE 40th Ave. & S. Mirror St.)

(Contact: Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Mr. Kendrick presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-22-24-3 by Josh Craft, second by Don Tipps; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.D. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-4

This item considers a resolution adopting modifications to the Neighborhood

Empowerment Zone program including expansions to the boundaries for Zone No. 2 Barrio and Zone No. 4 Eastridge, the creation of Zone No. 6 Commercial Corridors, and amendments to the program policy to clarify eligibility for sales tax rebate agreements.

(Contact: Emily Koller, Director of Planning and Development Services)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Emily Koller, Director of Planning and Development Services, presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-22-24-4 by Don Tipps, second by Les Simpson; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.E. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-5

This item considers a resolution adopting a legislative agenda for 2025-2026 related to State and Federal priorities.

(Contact: Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager and Public Safety Director)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Mr. Freeman presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-22-24-5 by Josh Craft, second by Don Tipps; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.F. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-22-24-6

This item considers a resolution amending the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) budget for the fiscal year 2024/2025 to authorize an increase in the marketing budget of $625,000, which will be used to construct two gateway signs on Interstate 40.

(Contact: Kevin Carter, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Kevin Carter, President and CEO of AEDC, presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to table the item by Tom Scherlen, second by Les Simpson; Councilmember Simpson withdrew his second and Councilmember Scherlen withdrew his motion.

10.G. CONSIDER APPROVAL - AMARILLO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (AEDC) EXPENDITURE REQUEST

This item considers a request from AEDC to approve $83,512.50 in expenditures.

(Contact: Kevin Carter, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Mr. Carter presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to approve $83,512.50 in expenditures for aedc by Tom Scherlen, second by Josh Craft; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

10.H. CONSIDER PURCHASE - FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT FOR CITY HALL

This item considers the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment for the new City Hall.
Award to: Navajo/Office Wise - Hon (Omnia R191804 - Omnia BNR482-Omnia CDA 30003575)
Amount: $1,521,635.83
Funding Source: General construction fund revenues
Is the item budgeted? Yes

(Contact: Jerry Danforth, Director of Facilities)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Jerry Danforth, Director of Facilities and CIP, presented the item.

ACTION:	Motion to approve item 10.H as presented in the agenda by Tom Scherlen, second by Josh Craft; Motion passed with a 5:0 vote.
AYES:	Cole Stanley, Josh Craft, Don Tipps, Tom Scherlen, Les Simpson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

11. Adjourn

Mayor Stanley adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:44 PM.

ATTEST:

/s/ Stephanie Coggins	/s/ Cole Stanley
Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary	Cole Stanley, Mayor