



Amarillo City Council Work Session

March 11, 2025

1:00 PM

City Hall - Council Chamber
623 S. Johnson Street, 3rd Floor
Amarillo, Texas 79101

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

On March 11, 2025 the Amarillo City Council met at 1:00 PM for a Work Session held in Council Chamber, located on the third floor of City Hall at 623 South Johnson Street, with the following members present:

Mayor Cole Stanley

Councilmember, Place 1 Josh Craft

Councilmember, Place 4 Les Simpson

Absent were Councilmember, Place 2 Don Tipps

Councilmember, Place 3 Tom Scherlen.

Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager and Public Safety Director

Laura Storrs, Assistant City Manager and CFO

Floyd Hartman, Assistant City Manager

Donny Hooper, Assistant City Manager and Public Infrastructure Director

Leslie Schmidt, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

Mayor Stanley established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

2. **Executive Session** The City Council may convene in Executive Session to receive reports on or discuss any of the following pending projects or matters:

Councilmember Tipps joined the meeting in progress.

Ms. Schmidt advised at 1:00 PM that the City Council would convene into executive session per Texas Government Code A) Section 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: i) Economic development project located in the vicinity of S. Western Street and Plains Boulevard and ii) Handling of City Council Texas Public Information Act Requests, the application of Texas State Bar Rule 1.05 Confidentiality to legal representation, and the use of outside legal counsel; B) 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: i) Property located in the Downtown Central Business District; and C) Section

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) Economic development project located in the vicinity of S. Western Street and Plains Boulevard.

2.A. Section 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:

- i. Economic development project located in the vicinity of S. Western Street and Plains Boulevard
- ii. Handling of City Council Texas Public Information Act Requests, the application of Texas State Bar Rule 1.05 Confidentiality to legal representation, and the use of outside legal counsel.

2.B. 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:

- i. Property located in the Downtown Central Business District

2.C. Section 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. Economic development project located in the vicinity of S. Western Street and Plains Boulevard

3. Adjourn

Ms. Schmidt announced the executive session was completed at 2:56 PM, and Mayor Stanley adjourned the Work Session.

ATTEST:

/s/ Stephanie Coggins

/s/ Cole Stanley

Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

Cole Stanley, Mayor