STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF POTTER
AND RANDALL
CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 3rd day of April 2018, the Amarillo City Council met at 2:00 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:

GINGER NELSON	MAYOR
ELAINE HAYS	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 1
FREDA POWELL	COUNCILMEMBER NO. 2
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
MICHELLE BONNER	DEPUTY CITY MANAGER
MICK MCKAMIE	CITY ATTORNEY
ANDREW FREEMAN	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MGR.
FRANCES HIBBS	CITY SECRETARY

The invocation was given by Greg Dowell, Central Church of Christ. Mayor Nelson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamations were presented for "Amarillo Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month" (Amarillo CASA and The Bridge).

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kathie Altman, 2105 South Lipscomb Street, commented on the public comment rules which requires a signup before the meeting. She also stated that Council does not watch the hand raising for those in the audience in agreement with the speaker. Rosa Kazl, 206 Getman Street, Cactus, spoke on incidents that happened at the Salvation Army. Michael Green, 7612 Loma Vista Drive, addressed violations in the law pertaining to theTexas Open Meetings Law, the raising of hands, direct infringement rights, right to speak, and distort of public records. Mr. Green also presented copies of a lawsuit recently filed. Rusty Tomlinson, 5700 Canyon Drive, with Food Not Bombs Coalition, spoke about the discrepancy in the number of beds. He further asked to see the number of cots available. He also spoke on the departure of Mick McKamie. Trace Elliott Bails, 19944 Clear Sky Trail, Bushland, spoke on the situation with the homeless and how it is being handled. Claudette Smith, 4410 Van Kriston Drive, spoke on the MPEV project. She stated the proposition was approved with a Type A Economic Development Corporation. She asked for a right to vote on the MPEV. Mike Fisher, 4410 Van Kriston Drive, stated the City was not a business and should not be run as such. Not present but signed up to speak: Amanda Hunter, 4849 Mesquite Springs Trail, Bushland and (Unknown) Ratcliff, 2402 South Ong Street. There were no further comments.

ITEM 1: 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 approval the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Smith.

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.

A. **MINUTES**:
Approval of the City Council minutes of the regular meeting and special meeting held on March 27, 2018.

B. **CONSIDER APPROVAL – AMENDMENTS TO CURRENT PHOTOGRAPHIC TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT**:
(Contact: Michael Padilla, Transportation Superintendent)
This item amends the current contract to add seven (7) new camera locations these seven (7) locations have been reviewed and recommended by the Citizens Advisory Board for Photographic Traffic Enforcement, these intersections have also had an Engineering Study completed to determine if any other traffic engineering methods could be used to create a safer intersection.
•Taylor & 10th (WB)
•Grand & I-40 (NFR WB)
•Buchanan & 3rd (WB)
•Grand & I-40 (NFR SB)
•Pierce & Amarillo Blvd (SB)
•Bell & Plains (NB)
• Georgia & 26th (NB)
And to remove four (4) existing camera locations recommended by the Citizens Advisory Board for Photographic Traffic Enforcement, determined by reviewing the Engineering Study and accident rate over the last three years.
•Coulter & Elmhurst (NB) and (SB)
•Pierce & 11th (SB)
•Amarillo Blvd & Fillmore (WB)

C. **CONSIDER AWARD – POLICE DEPARTMENT BALLISTIC VESTS**:
(Contact: Trent Davis, Purchasing Agent)
This item is to consider award of the Police and Department Ballistic Vests.

D. **CONSIDER APPROVAL -- PURCHASE OF WIRELESS MOBILE COLUMN LIFTS AND JACK STANDS**:
(Contact: Chris Quigley, Assistant Transit Manager)
The Amarillo City Transit is requesting approval for the purchase of two (2) sets of heavy duty wireless mobile column lifts and 8 heavy duty jack stands. This purchase replaces our current lift system that has exceeded its useful life.

E. **AWARD – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING**:
(Contact: Michael Padilla, Transportation Superintendent)
This item awards a contract for Professional Services for Traffic Engineering for the design, review, studies and recommendations to the City of Amarillo staff on Traffic related issues. The City of Amarillo has been without a City Traffic Engineer since October of 2015. This is a one-year contract, with options to renew.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 2: Mayor Nelson presented the first reading of an ordinance providing for specified changes in the adopted Comprehensive Plan of the City of Amarillo, Texas by adding the Barrio Neighborhood Plan as a component. This item was presented by AJ Fawver, Planning and Zoning Director. Mayor Nelson opened a public hearing. Edie DiTommaso, 1613 Bowie Street, #B, stated it was her honor to serve on the Barrio Committee. Potter County Commissioner Mercy Murguia, stated there were two key elements to this plan. There were several bond propositions that failed but this one passed, she added having a plan is a step in the right direction. She thanked everyone who have been partners in this journey. Teresa Kenedy, 1914 South Highland Street, stated the Barrio plan is a labor of love. She stated a lot of time has been spent with planning staff, the community and people who care what is happening in the community. She stated she wants to make it better to keep more generations living there. She encouraged Council to visit the neighborhood. There were no other comments. Mayor Nelson closed the public hearing. Motion was made by Councilmember Powell, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that the following captioned ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 7726

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS: PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIED CHANGES IN THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF AMARILLO, TEXAS BY ADDING THE BARRIO NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AS A COMPONENT; 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 3: Jerry Danforth, Facilities and Special Project Administrator presented the MPEV construction updated. He stated they were beginning the construction pads. The first base site will be completed by the end of the week. The third base site currently is being built and then they will begin the locker room excavation. Mr. Danforth stated they have received several bid packages on the steel components and they have come in under budget. Mr. Danforth stated lots of interest is being generated. Councilmember Smith inquired about the schedule. Mr. Danforth replied they are still ahead of schedule

Item B(6) was presented by Council at this time. Councilmember Hays reported on the Buy the Way meeting held this morning on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce Board. She further stated speakers were recorded and it will soon be placed on various websites. Councilmember Hays also commented on the First Responder's Excellence and Innovation event. She spoke on the public partners who also participated. Councilmember Sauer reported the Beautification and Public Arts Board met for the first time and will each report back with three items of interest. Councilmember Smith reported he is a member of the Amarillo Local Government Corporation, and he reported the parking garage pro forma was on schedule. He further stated Bob Garrett has a list of possible prospects for the retail areas.

ATTEST:

Frances Hibbs, City Secretary

Ginger Nelson, Mayor