

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

October 18, 2016

9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on October 18, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

JIM McKENZIE, Mayor

LARRY MAY, Commissioner

JIM LEE, Commissioner

JEROD PEEK, Mayor Pro-Tem

RICKY CASTRO, Commissioner

DAVID A VELA, City Manager

PATTY TORRES, City Secretary

Absent: **PETER SHERIDAN**, City Attorney

Staff members present: Utilities Director Eddy Campbell, Emergency Services Director Grant Madden, City Services Director Kirk Harris, Public Works Director Russell Jones, Human Resource Director Lisa Adames and SNAP Director Tonya Challis.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Jared Houze, minister of St. Stephens Episcopal Church gave the invocation.
3. Commissioner Mayor Pro Tem Peek led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Presentation of Rotary International Proclamation.
5. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve minutes for the meetings held on September 13, 2016, September 20, 2016 and September 27, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Action Items:
 - A. City Commission opened and read aloud bids to contract for membrane replacement equipment at the WTP funded by the TWDB, based upon the Engineer's Letter of Recommendation and concurrence by the TWDB

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to award bid to the sole qualified bidder, GE Power, base bid of \$786,400, as recommended by City's engineer, Joshua Berryhill, of Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

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- B. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to authorize staff to advertise to receive sealed proposals for installation of recently procured membrane replacement equipment at the WTP funded by the TWDB. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Castro to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance establishing classification and number of positions for the fire and police departments pursuant to Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; providing a severability clause; finding and determining that the meetings at which the ordinance is passed are open to the public as required by law; and providing an effective date. Police Lieutenant Matt Counts and Sergeant Todd Jones made presentation and answered questions. The motion carried unanimously.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF POSITIONS FOR THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 143 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE; INCREASNG THE NUMBER OF POLICE SERGEANTS BY ONE; PROVIDNG A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETINGS AT WHICH THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IN FULL IS LOCATED IN ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGE 727-729.

- D. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended September 30, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF REPORT IN FULL IS LOCATED IN ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGE 730.

- D. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner May to approve resolution designating an administration service provider, GrantWorks and an engineering service provider, Enprotec/Hibbs & Todd for the 2017-2018 Texas CDBG Community Development Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

A RESOLUTION OF CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDER CONTRACTS FOR THE 2017-2018 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT.

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COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL IS LOCATED IN ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGE 731.

- F. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peek to grant an Easement for ingress and egress across a 2.46 acre tract of land to Jeff Humphrey and across a 0.31 acre tract of land to Melvin Coe and wife, Kimberly Coe, both in Section 75, Block 21, T&P Ry. Co. Survey in the vicinity of Lake Sweetwater, Nolan County, Texas. Rachel Newberry from Beall Abstract spoke about need of easement and answered questions. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF EASEMENTS IN FULL IS LOCATED IN ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGES 732-735.

- G. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Castro to approve appointment of Neta Baucom as City Position #4 on the Sweetwater-Nolan County Child Welfare Board. The motion carried unanimously.
7. City Manager's Report.
- A. City will host Leadership Sweetwater November 8, 2016.
8. Public Input.
- Gary Smith with GrantWorks introduced himself and thanked City Commission and Patty Torres.
9. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Castro to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Jim McKenzie, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Joshua Berryhill, Mary A. Smith, Gary Smith, Bob Russell, Rachel Newberry, Pam Reynolds, Jeanie McPherson, Mila Gibson, Russ Petty, Jeremy Dodd, John McPherson, Cesar M. Caro and Jared Houze.