

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

JULY 12, 2016

9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on July 12, 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

JEROD PEEK, Mayor Pro-Tem

LARRY MAY, Commissioner

JIM LEE, Commissioner

RICKY CASTRO, Commissioner

DAVID A. VELA, City Manager

PETE SHERIDAN, City Attorney

PATTY TORRES, City Secretary

Staff members present: Chief of Police Brian Frieda, City Services Director Kirk Harris, Human Resource Director Lisa Adames, and Utilities Director Eddy Campbell.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Ryan Strebeck, minister of First Methodist Church gave the invocation.
3. Commissioner Castro led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Castro to approve minutes for the meetings held on June 7, 2016 and June 14, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items:
 - A. Peter Sheridan administered Oath of Office to Mr. Vela.

COPY OF OATH AND STATEMENT OF OFFICER IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGES 512-514.

- B. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peek to approve the Investment Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF REPORT IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGE 515.

- C. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Lee to enter into an agreement with Tommy Morris Agency to represent City as Broker of Record and to evaluate competitive sealed proposals.

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Nancy Johnson, with Tommy Morris Agency, made presentation. The motion carried unanimously.

- D. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to authorize staff to receive competitive sealed proposals on Self Insured Group Health, Dental, Life Insurance Benefit to be considered at August 9, 2016 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Castro to approve resolution authorizing continued participation with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee; and authorizing the payment of 2.5 cents per capita to the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to fund regulatory and related activities associated with Atmos Energy Corporation. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGES 516-517.

- F. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peek to approve the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the City of Sweetwater, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016, in the principal amount of \$5,000,000 and awarding the sale of such certificates of obligation to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Andrew Friedman, with SamCo made presentation. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IN FULL IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIII PAGES 518-618.

- G. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve request to close and abandon the undeveloped South 150' of an alley located between Ragland and Crane Streets, located in Block 04, Eastern Addition; and to relinquish all public easement. John Kirgis, Ludlum's representative, made presentation. The motion carried unanimously.

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H. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to approve Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development (SEED) request to approve incentive agreement with Logistic Support (Project 1). Ken Becker, Executive Director for SEED spoke about incentive. The motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Castro to approve Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development (SEED) request to approve incentive agreement with Dent Trucking (Project 2). Ken Becker, Executive Director for SEED spoke about incentive. The motion carried unanimously.

6. City Manager's Report.

A. Robert Elliott, Fixed Base Operator, at Avenger Field Airport has optioned to exercise the second of two 5-year extensions to his original lease contract, effective August 15, 2016 to August 14, 2021.

B. We will schedule several meetings in August and September to comply with Truth-in-Taxation Laws.

C. TML 104th Conference is in Austin, October 4th through the 7th, 2016. Registration and lodging reservations will begin July 19, 2016. This year at the conference, Chief Brian Frieda will be sworn in as president of the Texas Police Chiefs Association.

D. Sales tax collections for July 2016 are 6.1% higher than same month last year and are 28.4% higher than same fiscal 10 month period last year.

7. Public Input.

Commissioner May commended the Volunteer and City Fire Departments for quickly responding to lake fire.

Commissioner Lee commended Kirk Harris for his work as Interim City Manager.

8. Mayor Pro Tem Peek made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lee to adjourn. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

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Jim McKenzie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Nancy Johnson, Ken Becker, Larry Locke, Cliff Dent, John Kirgis, Andrew Friedman, Ryan Strebeck, Scott Morgan and Melina Duran