

**CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
AGENDA**

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, will meet in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room of the City Hall, 200 E. 4th Street, Sweetwater, Texas.

1. Call to order.
2. Invocation.
3. Pledge of allegiance.
4. City Commission to consider approval of minutes for the meetings held on July 12, 2011 and July 26, 2011.
5. Action Items:
 - A. City Commission to open and consider proposals on Self-Insured Group Health, Dental and Life Insurance Employee Benefit for FY 2011-2012.
 - B. City Commission to consider entering into a public hearing on the Proposed Budget for 2011-2012. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$43,496 which is 2.74%, and of that amount \$53,833 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the roll this year.
 - C. City Commission to consider closing the public hearing and entering into regular session.
 - D. City Commission to consider any action from the public hearing.
 - E. City Commission to consider approval of Central Rate Schedule for the 2011-2012 Budget.
 - F. City Commission to consider first reading of the Appropriations Ordinance for the 2011-2012 Budget.
 - G. City Commission to consider first reading of an Ordinance to adopt the 2011-2012 Budget.

- H. City Commission to consider entering into a public hearing to discuss the proposed tax rate of \$.48 (48 cents) per \$100 valuation for Tax Year 2011.
- I. City Commission to consider closing the public hearing and returning to regular session.
- J. City Commission to consider any action from the public hearing.
- K. City Commission to consider first reading of an Ordinance approving a negotiated resolution between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee ("ACSC" or "Steering Committee") and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos Mid-Tex" or "Company") regarding the Company's fourth annual rate review mechanism ("RRM") filing in all cities exercising original jurisdiction; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement and finding the rates to be set by the attached tariffs to be just and reasonable; requiring the company to reimburse cities' reasonable ratemaking expenses; repealing conflicting resolutions or ordinances; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this ordinance to the Company and the Steering Committee's legal counsel.
- L. City Commission to consider first reading of an Ordinance Amending the 2010-2011 Budget.
- M. City Commission to open and review bank depository bids for the City of Sweetwater and Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development.
- N. City Commission to consider authorizing staff to go out for bids for fuel for 2011-2012.
- O. City Commission to consider authorizing staff to go out for bids for oil and lubrication products for 2011-2012.
- P. City Commission to consider authorizing staff to go out for bids for hot mix cold lay asphalt for 2011-2012.
- Q. City Commission to consider authorizing staff to go out for bids for ready mix concrete for 2011-2012.

- R. City Commission to consider authorizing staff to go out for bids for weed killer for 2011-2012.
- S. City Commission to consider scheduling a public hearing for redistricting.
- T. The City Manager, on advice of the Director of Utilities is implementing Stage 1 drought condition of the Drought Contingency Plan effective immediately. During Stage 1 all water customers are asked to curtail use of water for nonessential purposes on a voluntary basis.
- U. City Commission to consider entering into executive session pursuant to the provision of 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate regarding the purchase, sale and/or lease of real property.
- V. City Commission to consider entering into regular session.
- W. City Commission to consider an action necessary from the executive session.

6. City Manager's Report.

- A. Nolan County Commissioners Court has approved a payment in the amount of \$779.50 to the City of Sweetwater which qualifies SNAP for a 2012-2013 grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans program. Current year funding for this grant is contingent on the 82nd Legislative Session. The City has received approximately \$50,000 over the past three years through this program.
- B. Mayor and Commissioners should consider nomination of two SEED Board members at a future meeting each for a three year term beginning October 1, 2011.
- C. Remind City Commission of August 16, 2011, 9:00 a.m. meeting to conduct the second public hearing on the proposed tax rate of \$.48 (48 cents).
- D. Remind City Commission of August 23, 2011, 9:00 a.m. meeting to vote on the tax rate for Tax Year 2011.

- E. July sales tax was up 34% from prior year partially due to an audit recovery. Sales tax revenues are up 10% year to date.
- F. Police Chief Jim Kelley has decided to retire May 31, 2012 after 35 years of service with the Sweetwater Police Department.

7. Public Input.

8. Adjournment.

In accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551.041, the regular City Commission meeting agenda was prepared and posted on the 3rd day of August, 2011 at 10:00 A.M.



Carolyn Lawrence, City Secretary

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