

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES
JULY 24, 2012
9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met in regular session on July 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

GREGORY L. WORTHAM, Mayor
LARRY MAY, Commissioner
JEROD PEEK, Commissioner
JIM MCKENZIE, Commissioner

RICKY CASTRO, Mayor Pro-Tem
PETER SHERIDAN, City Attorney
EDWARD BROWN, City Manager
CAROLYN LAWRENCE, City Secretary

Staff members present: Chief of Police Brian Frieda, City Services Director, and Kirk Harris.

1. Mayor Wortham called the meeting to order.
2. Commissioner Peek gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Wortham led the pledge of allegiance.
4. Action Items:
 - A. City Commission reviewed the Proposed Budget for 2012-2013.
 - B. City Manager, Edward Brown reviewed the summary of significant budget items. Mr. Brown stated that we have not yet received the certified tax roll and the proposed rate is based on preliminary projections. The proposed tax rate is set below the projected rollback rate. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Castro to propose a tax rate of \$.4630 (46.30 cents) for each \$100 valuation for Tax Year 2012. The motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Motion was made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to schedule two Public Hearings, one on August 14, 2012 and the second on August 21, 2012 on the proposed tax rate \$.4630 per \$100 valuation for Tax Year 2012, and to schedule a meeting on August 28, 2012 to vote on the tax rate for Tax Year 2012. The motion carried unanimously.
 - D. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Castro to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Approving and Adopting a Budget for the City of Sweetwater for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2011 and Ending September 30, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

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- E. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to approve second and final reading of an Ordinance to Annex 53.14 Acre tract of Land out of Section 52, Block 22, T & P RR. Co. Surveys, Nolan County, Texas, into the City of Sweetwater. Said tract being located northeast of the intersection of Hopkins Road and Interstate 20. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Presentation on new construction of Wasp Museum will be rescheduled to a future date.
- G. Motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Castro to enter into Executive Session pursuant to the provisions of 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate regarding the purchase, sale and/or lease of real property. The motion carried unanimously.
- H. Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Castro, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to enter into Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.
- I. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner May to ratify purchase of 134 acres of land for municipal use. The motion carried unanimously.

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5. City Manager's Report.
- A. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) invites citizens to attend a public meeting about a project to rehabilitate Lamar Street on July 24 from 1 to 8 p.m. in the administration classroom at the Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital at 200 E. Arizona Ave. in Sweetwater.
6. Public Input.
- None.

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7. Mayor Pro-Tem Castro made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to adjourn. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Gregory L. Wortham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carolyn Lawrence, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Jim Clements