

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF GRAYSON §

November 16, 2015

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sherman, Grayson County, Texas was begun and held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on November 16, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR CARY WACKER; DEPUTY MAYOR DAVID PLYLER. COUNCIL MEMBERS DAVIS, JOHNSON, SOFEY, STEELE, WATT.

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wacker called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were given by Council Member Ryan Johnson.

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 2, 2015. Council Member Watt moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Sofey. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

**DECLARE RESULTS OF NOVEMBER 3, 2015 REGULAR AND
SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**
CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS

Mayor Wacker canvassed the Election returns of the November 3, 2015 Regular and Special Municipal Elections by reading the number of early votes, Election Day votes, and total votes received for each candidate, for Proposition 1, and for Charter Amendment 1.

The detail of the Election returns are maintained in the permanent record file entitled "Elections" in the Office of the City Clerk. The canvass statistics are attached and made a part of these Minutes. (Exhibit A)

Mayor Wacker asked for a motion accepting Resolution 6039, declaring the official results of the November 3, 2015 Regular and Special Municipal Elections.

**RESOLUTION NO. 6039 – DECLARING THE RESULTS OF
THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 REGULAR AND SPECIAL
MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS HELD IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN,
GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 REGULAR AND SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS HELD IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN, GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

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ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve Resolution No. 6039, as presented. Second by Council Member Davis.

VOTING AYE: Davis, Johnson, Plyler, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Wacker recognized Council Member Ryan Johnson for his service to the City and presented him with a plaque listing his dates of service.

Council Member Johnson thanked God for allowing him the opportunity to serve the City and the grace and wisdom he has provided to make these tough decisions. He thanked his family for their sacrifice, adding that he has missed soccer games and evenings with his family.

He also thanked his colleagues on the City Council saying it had been a pleasure working with them. He felt they had many projects that were put forward that would set the stage for the City future growth. He also thanked the City staff and said there are great employees working for the City and a great leadership team in place.

Deputy Mayor Plyler presented a plaque and gavel to Mayor Cary Wacker listing the dates of her service. He also presented her with a bouquet of white roses.

Mayor Wacker said it had been an overwhelming day and she thanked Deputy Mayor Plyler for the recognition. She said she was able to thank some people at the reception held earlier in her honor.

She thanked her fellow Council Members and the City staff that have made everything so easy because they work so well together in Sherman. She said her service had been a privilege and a blessing in her life. She thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as Sherman's Mayor.

OATH OF OFFICE

OATH OF OFFICE AND PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

Linda Ashby, City Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to the following Council-elect positions.

Mayor	David Plyler
Council Member, At-Large, Place 1	Kevin Couch
Council Member, At-Large, Place 2	Jason Sofey

A Certificate of Election was presented to each of the newly sworn-in Council Members. The new members were seated at the Council table.

**RECOGNITION OF
OUTGOING
COUNCIL MEMBERS**

OATH OF OFFICE

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NEW COUNCIL SEATED

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor David Plyler.
Council Members Couch, Davis,
Sofey, Steele, Watt.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Plyler called for the second public hearing concerning the annexation of 186.244 acres of land adjacent to the Sherman City Limits and in the City's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction:

ANNEXATION
CARRIAGE HOUSE
ESTATES

Robby Hefton, City Manager, explained that this is the second public hearing for the proposed annexation of Carriage Estates and surrounding areas. The final action will be at the December 7, 2015 Council Meeting, where there will be a public hearing on the actual ordinance.

Sylvia Hema, 262 Shady Oaks Circle

Ms. Hema spoke against the proposed annexation of the Shady Oaks Subdivision. She said it is really just Carriage Estates and some residents of Lamberth Estates that want to be annexed into the City.

She said Shady Oaks Circle and Shady Oaks Lane are comprised of 12 houses. Looking at the petition for annexation, these 12 residents were "steamrolled" by the 100 plus residents of Carriage Estates that were in favor of annexation.

She asked that the residents of Shady Oaks Subdivision have their own petition, and in fact, she felt that each subdivision should have their own petition. She said it is possible to have "an island of land" that is not inside the City limits. Ms. Hema asked that the City "leave them alone."

She said the majority of residents in the Shady Oaks Subdivision do not want to be annexed. It doesn't benefit them. They have no water problem. They are happy with their services. Ms. Hema said if they become City residents, it's the same price, the only difference is that they will owe \$700 to \$800 a year in City taxes, which they don't want to pay.

She asked that the City remove the Shady Oaks Subdivision from the proposed annexation or that they allow them to have their own petition. She said if 50% of her Subdivision wants to be annexed, then that is fine and she will go alone with it.

Ms. Hema also said she has contacted the City Attorney to determine what the laws are that gives the City the right to annex someone without them having any choice. He has not returned her call.

She asked for answers to her question about if the City has the right to annex someone without their consent. She said they are happy with their services and don't want to pay the additional taxes. Ms. Hema said their water doesn't come from the same system and is already City water that is sold to a "rebiller" who bills them for their fee.

Mayor Plyler asked the City staff to respond to Ms. Hema with her options concerning the proposed annexation.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss the proposed annexation.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance 5913 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, CONFIRMING AND VALIDATING THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A SALES AND USE TAX OF ONE-EIGHTH (1/8) OF ONE PERCENT TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 327 OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

ORD 5913
REAUTHORIZATION
OF STREET SALES
TAX

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5913.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance 5914 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 8, SUBSECTION (5)(A), ORDINANCE NO. 2280, SO AS TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A MARRIOTT COURTYARD HOTEL IN A C-1 (RETAIL BUSINESS) DISTRICT/O-1 (75 & 82) OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 4344 LOY LAKE ROAD, BEING LOT 2, BLOCK 1, AMERISTATE PLAZA (SHERMAN HOTELS, LLC, OWNER; RAJ PATEL, REPRESENTATIVE; RICHARD HUMISTON, ARCHITECT; AND GRAY ROCK CONSULTING, CIVIL ENGINEER AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT); PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; PROVIDING THAT THIS SPECIFIC USE PERMIT SHALL BE GRANTED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00.

ORD 5914
SUP FOR
MARRIOTT
COURTYARD HOTEL
(4344 LOY LAKE RD)

Vickie Woodard, Sherman Hotels, LLC

Ms. Woodard appeared representing Sherman Hotels, LLC, and their request for a Specific Use Permit for a hotel. The luxury hotel will be approximately 73,000 square feet and will add 117 hotel rooms and over 3,400 square feet of meeting space to the City.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5914.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 5913

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ORD 5914
SUP FOR
MARRIOTT
COURTYARD HOTEL
(4344 LOY LAKE RD)

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to approve Ordinance Nos. 5913 and 5914, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council reviewed the Consent Agenda. Council Member Steele moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Second by Council Member Davis. All present voted AYE.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 6040 – RELATING TO GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY CONTRACT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015B (CITY OF SHERMAN PROJECT), APPROVING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF AND THE FACILITIES TO BE CONSTRUCTED OR ACQUIRED BY SUCH AUTHORITY FOR BENEFIT OF THE CITY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, RELATING TO GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY CONTRACT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015B (CITY OF SHERMAN PROJECT), APPROVING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF AND THE FACILITIES TO BE CONSTRUCTED OR ACQUIRED BY SUCH AUTHORITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITY.

RES 6040
WATER TREATMENT
PLANT EXPANSION
& ELEVATED WATER
STORAGE TANK

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Drew Satterwhite, General Manager, Greater Texoma Utility Authority, explained that the request is for a \$27.31 million bond issue on behalf of the City of Sherman, for the expansion of the Water Treatment Plant and a new Elevated Water Storage Tank on the southwest side of Sherman.

The funds are being pursued through the Texas Water Development Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. This fund offers a 1.25% interest rate reduction. The interest rate received on the bond issue is 1.46% on a 20 year term. Mr. Satterwhite said they are very pleased to receive this rate.

The Water Development Board estimates that the City could save approximately \$3.76 million over the life of the loan by utilizing this Drinking Water Program. They anticipate a December 17, 2015 closing date.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve Resolution No. 6040, as presented. Second by Council Member Sofey.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6041 – AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT AWARDED UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR – CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF FIFTY-FIVE (55) BODY-WORN CAMERAS AND STORAGE SERVERS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT USE WITHIN THE CITY OF SHERMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT; DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL TO ACCEPT, REJECT, ALTER OR TERMINATE THE GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY

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RES 6041
BODY CAMERAS
FOR POLICE DEPT.

Otis Henry, Police Chief, said the State has opened up the grant application process, however the City does not know the dollar amount that will be awarded. He asked for permission from the City Council to make application for the grant.

If the City is awarded the grant, at that time they will ask permission from the Council to pursue the purchase.

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ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to approve Resolution No. 6041, as presented. Second by Council Member Steele.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6042 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2015 PIERCE IMPEL PUMPER FOR THE SHERMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM SIDDONS-MARTIN EMERGENCY GROUP THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (H-GAC)

**RES 6042
FIRE PUMPER**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2015 PIERCE IMPEL PUMPER FOR THE SHERMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM SIDDONS-MARTIN EMERGENCY GROUP THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (H-GAC).

Danny Jones, Fire Chief, explained that they are requesting to purchase a 2015 Pierce Fire Truck to replace a 2000 model Freightliner that has almost 180,000 miles. If approved, they will keep the Freightliner until the new truck arrives and will then dispose of it by City policy.

The staff is proposing to pay the entire amount at the time of purchase, which will allow the City to save over \$22,000 off the purchase price. Council Member Watt verified that the staff planned to take advantage of the savings.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Davis to approve Resolution No. 6042, as presented. Second by Council Member Couch.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6043 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERMAN AND THE CITY OF FRISCO FOR THE PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR USE WITHIN THE SHERMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT

**RES 6043
FIRE DEPT.
UNIFORMS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERMAN AND THE CITY OF FRISCO FOR THE PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR USE WITHIN THE SHERMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RESOLUTION NO. 6044 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CUPID INVESTMENTS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY

**RES 6044
RESIDENTIAL TAX
ABATEMENT
(1516 S.**

RESIDENCE AT 1516 SOUTH MONTGOMERY STREET

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CUPID INVESTMENTS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1516 SOUTH MONTGOMERY STREET. CONSENT AGENDA.

MONTGOMERY)

REQUEST TO ADVERTISE

LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING OF VARIOUS PIECES OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT

Mark Gibson, Director of Utilities, explained that the staff is proposing to lease-purchase several pieces of larger equipment for excavation and construction on the utilities. Currently the City has small to medium size equipment that is used to minimize damage to homeowner's yards and to City streets.

REQ TO ADVERTISE
LEASE-PURCHASE
OF VARIOUS
PIECES OF CAPITAL
EQUIPMENT

This larger equipment will allow the City to undertake larger construction projects. The City currently does have employees that can operate this larger equipment, however they do propose to add one three-man crew, exclusively for the construction projects. This crew would be supplemented as needed from the current distribution crews.

By hiring the extra three-man crew, the staff would not have to take a crew out of service for construction projects. This is what has been done in the past on projects such as the Travis Street storm sewer.

Some advantages of this program would be that the City would have total control over the projects from inception to completion; timing, including a possible two to three month bid process; the ability to complete an urgent project in a timely manner; and the use of the large equipment and crew to repair any major infrastructure; and it will probably be cheaper for the City.

Mr. Gibson said the City can purchase the materials as cheap as any contractor and since the City is not trying to make a profit, the cost should be cheaper.

Council Member Davis asked how much the Travis Street project cost. Mr. Hefton said it cost about \$240,000 for the City to complete the project and the bid received was \$400,000.

Mr. Gibson added that there are currently several major projects in the Capital Improvement Program or in the projected future plans for which this equipment could be used.

Mr. Hefton said the proposed equipment would cost about \$800,000, but the plan is to also hire the new crew. In order

to “ramp up” and complete these six to ten major projects, the City will need the additional manpower to expedite the construction of these critical projects.

The staff has estimated that this plan will save the City an estimated \$3 million to \$4 million over the next four or five years by completing the projects in-house. This projected savings will pay for the purchase of the equipment and the cost of adding the crew.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to approve the request to advertise for the lease-purchase financing of various pieces of capital equipment, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

HARRISON ELEVATED TANK PAINTING IMPROVEMENTS

The City Council approved the request to advertise for bids for the repair and painting of the Harrison elevated storage tank. The protective coatings on the interior and exterior of the tank are at the end of their useful life.

**HARRISON
ELEVATED TANK
PAINTING**

The project is included in the current Capital Improvement Program.

CONSENT AGENDA.

OTHER BUSINESS

RECEIVE REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF TOURISM LAUREN ROTH

TOURISM REPORT

Lauren Roth, Tourism Director, updated the City Council on the tourism program and their upcoming events. They have raised enough money to purchase a new Christmas tree this year. The tree will be purchased from Christmas Designers, a local company.

The tree is a 26 foot tree, with a four foot topper. It will be located on the Grayson County Court House grounds and will be installed on Saturday, November 28, 2015.

The Christmas Parade and Snowflake Festival will be held Saturday, December 5, 2015. In the past, the parade has been held on Friday night, but this year it will be moved to Saturday, to allow for more festivities during the day.

Events will include a Breakfast with Santa in the morning, the Snowflake Festival during the day, and the tree lighting and parade during the evening.

Lights on the Lake and Hot Summer Nights are also in the planning stages. A contract has been signed with the same fireworks company that was used last year and the entertainment has been confirmed.

Ms. Roth said Keep Sherman Beautiful recently had a trash pick-up planned, but it was rained out. The event has been moved to the Spring. Volunteers have signed up to help clean up Sherman.

The Parks and Recreation Department recently held an “It’s My Park Day” and Austin College volunteers planted almost 40 trees in a couple of Sherman parks.

Steve Ayers, Director of Community and Support Services, added that Sherman has been selected as a Texas Main Street City. The staff has been looking at how that will partner with the Tourism Department and the budgetary impact on the City. A presentation will be made to the City Council at a future meeting with a proposal on how that program will be handled.

CONSIDER DIRECTING THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE F.M. HIGHWAY 1417 OVERLAY DISTRICT AND SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL ZONING ORDINANCE

**F.M. HWY 1417
OVERLAY DIST.**

Mr. Hefton said during the summer, the City Council discussed the need to review the zoning ordinance, especially along FM 1417, because of the amount of development between US Hwy 75 and US Hwy 82. What was not discussed, was the impact this review might have on other zoning issues.

He asked the City Council to request that the Planning and Zoning Commission review whatever needs to be reviewed which might include zoning issues that would affect the entire City. These issues would be brought back to the City Council at a later date for discussion.

Council Member Sofey asked if the concern was land use? He said there is already an Overlay District in place that is pretty “tight.”

Scott Shadden, Director of Development Services, said one question that arose when the consultant reviewed the Overlay District was permitted uses in Commercial Districts and in C-2 Districts, and maybe moving some of those uses into the Specific Use Permit list.

He said the request is to ask the Planning and Zoning Commission to review the rules and make a recommendation to the City Council. Mr. Hefton added that the main objective is to clean some things up in the ordinance. He said it won’t be a comprehensive review of the zoning ordinance. He asked for latitude in reviewing, with a broader scope than was originally discussed with the Council.

Council Member Steele asked if this was strictly for the FM 1417 area. Mr. Hefton said it originated when the staff began looking at FM 1417, but the proposal will include both FM

1417 and maybe some adjustments for the overall City within the C-1, C-2 zoning classifications.

He felt it would be limited in scope and probably not venture into the residential districts, but it would be more than just looking at the Overlay District issues.

Council Member Steele said he would like to review the Blalock Overlay District, especially the back part of the properties that are owned by the Sherman Economic Development Corporation. He felt there should be some “spec” buildings and added that SEDCO had some concerns about types of “spec” buildings that they could construct. Council Member Steele said the area doesn’t have enough building space.

Mr. Hefton said they will review the impact that the general zoning ordinance might have on the Blalock Overlay District. He felt there might be additional discussion needed on the issue. They will also include the FM 1417 Overlay District and the general zoning ordinances that may affect the other issues.

Council Member Davis asked how long the process would take. Mr. Shadden said they should be ready in the first quarter of 2016.

**CONSIDER CANCELLATION OF THE DECEMBER 21, 2015
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

CANCEL CITY
COUNCIL MEETING

Mr. Hefton said historically the staff has reviewed items that need to be considered by Council and has determined that there are no items that would be imperative to be considered on the December 21, 2015 City Council Meeting. He asked the City Council to consider whether or not they wanted to meet during the week of Christmas.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to cancel the December 21, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting, as presented. Second by Council Member Davis.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**APPROVE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR
QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

QUARTERLY
INVESTMENT REPORT

The City Council approved the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended September 30, 2015. As of September 30, the portfolio was in compliance with applicable State laws and the Investment Policy.

The operating investment portfolio had a book value of about \$17.8 million, decreasing by about \$2.1 million from the prior quarter due to maturities and called agency bonds. The underlying investments were adequately diversified among four different types of securities.

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This portfolio is appropriately liquid and its weighted-average maturity was about 490 days, up slightly from 485 days last period. The portfolio yield of 0.739% for the quarter is higher than the benchmark yield of 0.33%. The portfolio value on the City's books is essentially equal to the market value of the overall portfolio.

CONSENT AGENDA.

APPOINT/REMOVE OR CONSIDER QUALIFICATIONS TO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (3)

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Couch to appoint Rhonda Luckett, Michael Waitt, and Ben Crouse to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term from November 17, 2015 to November 17, 2017. Second by Council Member Watt.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE (3)

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE (2)

TAX REINVESTMENT COMMITTEE (2)

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING BOARD #1

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING BOARD #2

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING BOARD #3

Mayor Plyler explained that Items G-2 through G-7 were Council staffed boards and he proposed that appointments to these boards be considered on December 7, 2015 after an appointment is made to fill the vacant District 4 Council Member position.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to table appointments to the Council Audit Committee, the Investment Committee, the Tax Reinvestment Committee, Tax Increment Financing Board #1, Tax Increment Financing Board #2, and the Tax Increment Financing Board #3 until the December 7, 2015 Council Meeting. Second by Council Member Sofey.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PARKS & REC
BOARD

COUNCIL AUDIT
COMMITTEE
(TABLED)
INVESTMENT
COMMITTEE
(TABLED)
TAX REINVESTMENT
COMMITTEE
(TABLED)
TAX INCREMENT
FINANCING BOARD
#1
(TABLED)
TAX INCREMENT
FINANCING BOARD
#2
(TABLED)
TAX INCREMENT
FINANCING BOARD
#3
(TABLED)

CITIZENS REQUESTS

There were no citizen's requests.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

COMMEND STAFF

Council Member Sofey commended the City staff on thinking outside what they normally do and finding ways to save money by purchasing equipment to complete projects in house. By spending money, the City will be able to save money long term.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVID PLYLER

Council Member Davis congratulated David Plyler on his election as Mayor. He also congratulated Council Member Sofey and Council Member Couch on their election and for giving their time and talent to help the City. He said Sherman is blessed to have people that will "step up" and run for office to serve the citizens.

THANKS TO CITIZENS

Council Member Couch thanked the citizens who voted and let their voice be heard. He said he looks forward to getting to work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 551, GOVT. CODE, V.T.C.S., (OPEN MEETINGS LAW)

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL NOW HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE, VERNONS TEXAS CODES ANNOTATED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS.

SECTION 551.074

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

CONSIDER THE
QUALIFICATIONS, APPOINTMENT
AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS TO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:
GRAYSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL
DISTRICT (GCAD) BOARD OF
DIRECTORS (1)

GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY
AUTHORITY (GTUA) BOARD OF
DIRECTORS (2)

TEXOMA COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENTS (TCOG)
GOVERNING BODY (1)

TEXOMA AREA SOLID WASTE
AUTHORITY (TASWA) BOARD OF
DIRECTORS (1)

CITIZENS REQUESTS

MEDIA QUESTIONS

COMMEND STAFF

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO DAVID PLYLER**

**THANKS TO
CITIZENS**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT,
EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION,
REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES,
DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A
PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE

SECTION 551.087

DELIBERATION REGARDING
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NEGOTIATIONS:
DELIBERATE REGARDING
COMMERCIAL OR FINANCIAL
INFORMATION THAT THE CITY
HAS RECEIVED FROM A
BUSINESS PROSPECT AND
DELIBERATE ANY OFFERS OR
INCENTIVES TO THE BUSINESS
PROSPECT

On Motion duly made and carried, the Open Meeting
recessed and reconvened in Executive Session at 5:47 p.m.

On Motion duly made and carried, the Executive Session
recessed at 6:54 p.m. and reconvened in Open Meeting.

OPEN MEETING

Reconvene into Open Meeting and take action, if any, on
items discussed in Executive Session.

OPEN MEETING

COUNCIL ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor Plyler asked for nominations for the Office of the
Deputy Mayor.

**DEPUTY MAYOR
ELECTION**

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Davis to nominate Council
Member Jason Sofey to serve as Deputy Mayor, for a
term from November 17, 2015 to November 8, 2016.
Second by Council Member Watt.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 6045 – CASTING VOTES TO ELECT A
CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GRAYSON
CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SHERMAN, TEXAS, CASTING VOTES TO ELECT
CANDIDATES TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE GRAYSON
CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to approve Resolution
No. 6045, as presented and pool the City's 253 votes with
the Sherman Independent School District's candidate.
Second by Council Member Davis.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**RES 6045
APPRAISAL DISTRICT
BOARD APPOINTMENT**

TEXOMA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (TCOG)
GOVERNING BODY (1)

TCOG GOVERNING
BODY

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Couch to appoint Council Member Tom Watt to the Texoma Council of Governments Governing Body for a term from November 17, 2015 to November 2016. Second by Council Member Sofey.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

TEXOMA AREA SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY (TASWA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS (1)

TASWA BOARD
OF DIRECTORS

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to appoint Mayor David Plyler to the Texoma Area Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors for a term from November 17, 2015 to November 2016. Second by Council Member Davis.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL UNEXPIRED DISTRICT 4 TERM ON
THE CITY COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT TO
FILL UNEXPIRED
COUNCIL TERM

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Davis to appoint Tammy Johnson to fill the unexpired District 4 City Council term vacated when Deputy Mayor David Plyler was elected Mayor. The appointment will be to serve until the next Regular Municipal Election in November 2016. Second by Council Member Sofey.

VOTING AYE: Couch, Davis, Sofey, Steele, Watt.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

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On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK