

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF GRAYSON §

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 January 2, 2024.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR DAVID PLYLER; DEPUTY MAYOR SHAWN TEAMANN.
COUNCIL MEMBERS HOLLAND, HOWETH, MARROQUIN,
STEVENSON.**

MEMBERS ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER DOBBS.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Plyler called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by Council Member Henry Marroquin.

APPROVE MINUTES

**The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of December 18, 2023. Council Member Howeth moved to approve the Minutes, as presented; Second by Council Member Holland; All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.**

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Peter Tracy, 705 S. Valentine, asked about the grant for Municipal Airport improvements. He referenced previous improvements at the Airport that he said were never completed. He asked what the new improvements would entail.

HOMELESS PEOPLE

Mr. Tracy also said he was concerned about seeing a homeless person sitting in front of a liquor store at Lamar and Dewey Streets, drinking whiskey.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6682 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ABANDONING ONE (1) TWENTY-FOOT (20') WIDE EASEMENT LOCATED IN THE PLAT OF TEAGUE INDUSTRIAL PARK, UNIT NO. 2, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF FOR ALL PURPOSES, WHICH EASEMENT IS ESTABLISHED IN VOLUME 3, PAGE 14 OF THE PLAT RECORDS OF GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Wayne Lee, Director of Engineering, explained that this was a utility easement that was dedicated by an old plat, and was never used. The staff recommended abandonment of the easement.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6682.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Ordinance 6682

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**ORD 6682
ABANDON EASEMENT
(TEAGUE INDUSTRIAL
PARK, UNIT NO. 2)**

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Teamann to approve Ordinance No. 6682, as presented. Second by Council Member Stevenson.

VOTING AYE: Holland, Howeth, Marroquin, Stevenson, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 7240 -- RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SHERMAN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

**RES 7240
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
IMPROVEMENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SHERMAN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Mary Lawrence, Director of Finance, briefed the Council on the request by the Texas Department of Transportation to get the City's approval on the grant match for proposed improvements at the Municipal Airport. TxDOT will fund 90% of the project.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Stevenson to approve Resolution No. 7240, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Teamann.

VOTING AYE: Holland, Howeth, Marroquin, Stevenson, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 7241 -- AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TEAGUE NALL AND PERKINS, INC. FOR DESIGN OF THE HERITAGE RANCH PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

**RES 7241
HERITAGE RANCH
PUBLIC
IMPROVEMENTS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TEAGUE NALL AND PERKINS, INC. FOR DESIGN OF THE HERITAGE RANCH PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Lee said the agreement is for the design of roadways and water lines at the Heritage Ranch Development. The Sherman Independent School District will locate a new elementary school in this development.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Stevenson to approve Resolution No. 7241, as presented. Second by Council Member Howeth.
VOTING AYE: Holland, Howeth, Marroquin, Stevenson, Teamann.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF THE 2023 AD VALOREM TAX ROLL VALUE AND TAX LEVY

Ms. Lawrence said this approval of the 2023 Ad Valorem Tax Roll Value and Tax Levy is in compliance with the Tax Code. The value on the tax roll for 2023 is approximately \$5.8 billion, which is about 17% more than the previous year.

**AD VALOREM TAX
ROLL VALUE &
TAX LEVY**

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Howeth to approve the 2023 Ad Valorem Tax Roll Value and Tax Levy, as presented. Second by Council Member Stevenson.
VOTING AYE: Holland, Howeth, Marroquin, Stevenson, Teamann.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Commended the Water Department staff for their work on repairing a large water main break over the Christmas holidays. (Council Member Marroquin)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Plyler announced the following:

- Coffee with the Mayor will be held at Simmons Bank, on January 5, 2024, at 8 am.
- The Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Luncheon will be held on January 26, 2024, at 11 am, at Austin College.
- Habitat for Humanity will host their Annual Habi-Taters Fundraiser, on January 27, 2024, at the Municipal Ballroom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.071 --

SEEKING THE ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY ABOUT PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, SETTLEMENT OFFERS OR ANY MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE CITY COUNCIL UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.072 --
DELIBERATING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE
OF REAL PROPERTY IF DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING
WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF
THE CITY IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PERSON

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.073 --
DELIBERATING A NEGOTIATED CONTRACT FOR A
PROSPECTIVE GIFT OR DONATION TO THE CITY IF
DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A
DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE CITY IN
NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PERSON

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.074 --
DELIBERATING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT,
EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE OR
DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; OR TO HEAR
A COMPLAINT OR CHARGE AGAINST AN OFFICER OR
EMPLOYEE UNLESS THE OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS THE
SUBJECT OF THE DELIBERATION OR HEARING REQUESTS A
PUBLIC HEARING

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.076 --
DELIBERATING THE DEPLOYMENT, OR SPECIFIC OCCASIONS
FOR IMPLEMENTATION, OF SECURITY PERSONNEL OR DEVICES
OR A SECURITY AUDIT

TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.087 --
DISCUSSING OR DELIBERATING COMMERCIAL OR FINANCIAL
INFORMATION THAT THE CITY HAS RECEIVED FROM A
BUSINESS PROSPECT THAT THE CITY SEEKS TO HAVE LOCATE,
STAY OR EXPAND IN OR NEAR THE CITY AND WITH WHICH THE
CITY IS CONDUCTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
NEGOTIATIONS; OR DELIBERATING THE OFFER OF A FINANCIAL
OR OTHER INCENTIVE TO A BUSINESS PROSPECT
(A) Greenway Planned Development

TEXAS GOV'T CODE § 551.089 --
DELIBERATING SECURITY ASSESSMENTS OR DEPLOYMENTS
RELATING TO INFORMATION RESOURCES TECHNOLOGY,
NETWORK SECURITY INFORMATION, OR THE DEPLOYMENT OR
SPECIFIC OCCASIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY
PERSONNEL, CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE OR SECURITY
DEVICES

On Motion duly made and carried, the Open Meeting recessed and
reconvened in Executive Session at 5:15 p.m.

On Motion duly made and carried, the Executive Session recessed
at 5:54 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

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ADJOURNMENT

On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR

CITY CLERK