

STATE OF TEXAS § October 19, 2015
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 October 19, 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 Mayor Cary Wacker.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 5, 2015. Council Member Steele moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Watt. All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVE MINUTES

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

SHERMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT EDDIE BROWN'S PRESENTATION ON THE TAX SHIFT INITIATIVE

Eddie Brown, President of the Sherman Chamber of Commerce, read a Resolution in support of the Reauthorization of the Street Sales Tax that is listed on the Election Ballot for the November 3, 2015 Municipal Election. He also encouraged all citizens to support the proposition.

TAX SHIFT INITIATIVE

Mayor Wacker reminded everyone that Early Voting for the Election has begun and Election Day is November 3, 2015.

INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5905 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5892 TO APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS AND ADD AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION FOR AN ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO (2) AT-LARGE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR SAID CITY.

ORD 5905
REGULAR ELECTION
NOV. 3, 2015

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5905.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5906 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

ORD 5906
SALES TAX FOR
STREETS ELECTION

SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5893 TO APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS AND ADD AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION FOR AN ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT (1/8%) TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS.

NOV. 3, 2015

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5906.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5907 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5894 TO APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS AND ADD AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS.

ORD 5907
CHARTER
AMENDMENT
ELECTION
NOV. 3, 2015

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5907.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5908 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, APPOINTING AN ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN, GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE.

ORD 5908
ALTERNATE
MUNICIPAL COURT
JUDGE

Robby Hefton, City Manager, explained that at the last Council Meeting, after the Executive Session, the City Council appointed Scott Smith to serve as the Municipal Court Judge.

Law requires that either by Charter or by ordinance, the City appoint an Alternate Municipal Court Judge. The City's Charter does not address the appointment of an Alternate Judge, therefore the City is required to do so by ordinance.

Mr. Hefton said the staff is recommending that Tom Redwine be appointed as the Alternate Municipal Court Judge.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5908.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5909 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "HEALTH AND SANITATION",

ORD 5909
HEALTH DEPT
INSPECTION OF
FOOD
ESTABLISHMENTS

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AT ARTICLE 6.02, ENTITLED “FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS”, AT SECTION 6.02.001, ENTITLED “ADOPTION OF STATE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT RULES; DEFINITIONS” AND AT SECTION 6.02.005, ENTITLED “FOOD SANITATION TRAINING”; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

Brandon Shelby, City Attorney, explained that the ordinance is administrative or clerical in nature. The City received a request from the County to make the amendments.

Amanda Ortiz, Director of the Grayson County Health Department, explained that the Texas Food Establishment Rules have not been updated since 2006. As a result of the recent Legislative Session they have been updated and this is a routine change. The new rules are available on the State’s website.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5909.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5910 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, CLOSING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF HESTER STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY LYING BETWEEN BLOCKS TWENTY-THREE (23) AND TWENTY-FOUR (24) OF B.H. MOORE HEIRS ADDITION, SAID PROPERTY TO BE MAINTAINED AS A UTILITY EASEMENT; CONVEYING THE INTEREST IN SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE ABUTTING AND ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER, SHERMAN COLLISION REPAIR, LLC.

**ORD 5910
ABANDON PORTION
OF HESTER ST.
ROW**

Clay Barnett, Director of Public Works and Engineering, said this is a short section of Hester Street that terminates at Rusk Street and does not continue to the Service Road. There are no utilities located there, so the staff sees no need to keep it open.

Mayor Wacker confirmed that agenda item D-2, Resolution 6034, is the actual transfer of the deed.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5910.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5911 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED “PERSONNEL”, ARTICLE 9.05, ENTITLED “CIVIL SERVICE FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS”, AT SECTION 9.05.026, ENTITLED “AUTHORIZED NUMBER OF POSITIONS”, TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED POSITIONS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE

**ORD 5911
POLICE SERGEANT,
PATROLMAN
POSITIONS**

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**OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;
PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.**

Otis Henry, Police Chief, explained that there are currently eight “slots” for sergeants. He asked to increase that by one position in order to accommodate some organizational changes. He is trying to get the Traffic Safety Unit staffed and in operation again. One sergeant will be devoted to that position, which will create a vacancy that will be filled by the ninth position.

Chief Henry said there will be a decrease in the number of patrol classifications, which will offset the change, except for the nominal cost for the additional rank.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5911.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5912 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 5827 IN ITS ENTIRETY; ESTABLISHING ASSIGNMENT PAY SCHEDULES FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

**ORD 5912
ASSIGNMENT PAY
FOR POLICE & FIRE**

Chief Henry said this addresses the Field Training Officer Program. The program started approximately 20 years ago and there was assignment pay attached to the position due to the strenuous and stressful program. The FTO has a recruit with them in the car all the time and it is an extra burden and responsibility.

The assignment pay has not been addressed in almost 20 years and Chief Henry requested that the assignment pay for the FTO position be increased.

Mr. Hefton said in addition to that pay, the ordinance would also include assignment pay for the Fire Marshal position, which is held by a Division Chief rank. This position has duties above and beyond other Division Chiefs and should get a stipend in the form of assignment pay.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5912.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 5905

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5892 TO APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS AND ADD AN EARLY VOTING LOCATION FOR AN ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 3RD

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REGULAR ELECTION
NOV. 3, 2015**

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DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO (2) AT-LARGE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR SAID CITY.

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ORD 5911
POLICE SERGEANT,
PATROLMAN
POSITIONS

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Plyler to approve Ordinance Nos. 5905, 5906, 5907, 5908, 5909, 5910, and 5911, as presented. Second by Council Member Johnson.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ordinance 5912

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 5827 IN ITS ENTIRETY; ESTABLISHING ASSIGNMENT PAY SCHEDULES FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

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Council Member Watt encouraged other Council Members to approve this ordinance, adding that the FTO position is one of the most crucial positions in the Police Department. It sets the tone for professional development of the new recruits throughout their career.

He felt the \$100 assignment pay was not enough because the FTO position is very challenging. Mayor Wacker added that this is a key position because a larger number of new recruits are coming in now.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve Ordinance No. 5912, as presented. Second by Council Member Sofey.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 6033 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) DEFINING

RES 6033
SHERMAN-DENISON

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN THE SHERMAN-DENISON METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND THE CITIES OF SHERMAN AND DENISON REGARDING ENGINEERING STUDIES

**MPO MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) DEFINING ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN THE SHERMAN-DENISON METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND THE CITIES OF SHERMAN AND DENISON REGARDING ENGINEERING STUDIES.

Mayor Wacker explained that the Sherman-Denison Metropolitan Planning Organization oversees the allocation of State funds for the construction and repair of State highways. There are some additional funds available because of the State Amendment, Proposition 1, that was passed a year ago.

Mr. Barnett said with the passage of Proposition 1, there was a considerable amount of money available to the region for construction of roadways. In order to take advantage of this funding, the Sherman-Denison MPO has set aside \$1.5 million to begin the engineering studies that are necessary to construct the project.

Because there is not an engineer on staff at the Sherman-Denison MPO, they would either have to hire an engineering consulting firm to fill that function or contract with the Cities to provide that function.

The Cities of Sherman and Denison have volunteered to fill that position, which would provide local interest in the project and would be a considerable savings for the Sherman-Denison MPO and allow more funding for construction.

Mayor Wacker reiterated that this was State money to be used for State and U.S. highways and is completely separate from local road funding, which is what the City of Sherman's current Proposition 1 is for on the November 3, 2015 Ballot. This funding is from the State Proposition 1 that was approved by voters a year ago.

The money received through the Texas Department of Transportation does not apply to local roads, only to State highway designations.

Mr. Hefton added that the City volunteered to be part of that solution, however that doesn't mean they won't be compensated. Dollars used through the MPO will compensate both Sherman and Denison and resources used in their respective Engineering Departments to provide that function.

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Karl Welzenbach, Transportation Director of the Sherman-Denison MPO, said the compensation would be through an Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT, so any effort or time spent on the project by the City's Director of Public Works, as well as the effort or time of any engineering firms he hires, will be reimbursed through TxDOT by the money allocated to the MPO.

Mayor Wacker said there is a list of projects that has already been in a public comment period. Mr. Welzenbach said these projects must be included in the long range plan in order for this money to be spent.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to approve Resolution No. 6033, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6034 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A DEED WITHOUT WARRANTY TO SHERMAN COLLISION REPAIR, LLC FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF A PORTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY BEING HESTER STREET FROM AUSTIN STREET WEST APPROXIMATELY 100' IN THE 500 BLOCK OF HESTER STREET IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN, GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS; PROVIDING THAT ALL SURVEYING AND APPRAISAL COSTS INCURRED WILL BE PAID BY SHERMAN COLLISION REPAIR, LLC

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CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 6034
DEED WITHOUT
WARRANTY –
HESTER ST. ROW

RESOLUTION NO. 6035 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW JLG TELESCOPIC HANDLER FOR THE EQUIPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM EQUIPMENT DEPOT

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW JLG TELESCOPIC HANDLER FOR THE EQUIPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM EQUIPMENT DEPOT.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 6035
FLEET MAINT
EQUIPMENT

REQUEST TO ADVERTISE
SOUTHWEST ELEVATED STORAGE TANK

Mark Gibson, Director of Utilities, said the Capital Improvement Program includes a new 1.5 million gallon

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elevated storage tank, that will be constructed at the site of the Southwest Booster Pump Station on F.M. Hwy 1417. The plans and specifications are being reviewed at the Texas Water Development Board and should be finalized this week. The bid advertisement should begin this coming Sunday, with construction beginning around the first of 2016.

The project will be funded through the Greater Texoma Utility Authority at \$3.3 million. Mayor Wacker said this was a very significant investment by the City to their water infrastructure.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Davis to approve the request to advertise for the construction of the Southwest Elevated Storage Tank, as presented. Second by Council Member Steele.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM POLICE SERGEANT D.M. HAMPTON ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL HALLOWEEN EVENT, "FRIGHT FEST"

FRIGHT FEST

D.M. Hampton, Police Sergeant, explained that Fright Fest was started by Lieutenant Bruce Dawsey after September 11, 2001, to provide a safe place for children to trick-or-treat.

It started with about a dozen groups and clubs participating in Downtown Sherman and now averages about 60 or 70 participants on the Municipal Building Grounds. This year about 44 groups have already signed up to participate and they still have another week to do so.

Each year a "Spooky Booth" award is given, and in 2014 the award was named for Cindy Carr, a dear friend and employee of the Police Department who lost her battle with cancer last year. The award is now known as the "Cindy Carr Spooky Booth" award.

Sergeant Hampton recognized all the people behind the scenes that work to make the event successful every year. Mayor Wacker said Fright Fest is a great event and it grows every year. She said it was wonderful to see the community coming out for the event.

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE TRAVELERS INN ADDITION, BEING PART OF A REPLAT OF LOTS 7, 8 & 9, BLOCK 1 OF McBRIDE'S ADDITION AND CONTAINING 3.37 ACRES IN THE SAMUEL BLAGG SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 56; J.R. PATEL, OWNER; AND SARTIN AND ASSOCIATES, SURVEYOR (401 SOUTH SAM RAYBURN FREEWAY)

APPROVE FINAL PLAT
TRAVELERS INN
ADDITION

The City Council approved the Final Plat for the Travelers

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Inn Addition, being part of a Replat of Lots 7, 8, and 9, Block 1 of McBride's Addition and containing 3.37 acres in the Samuel Blagg Survey, Abstract No. 56.

The property is located at 401 South Sam Rayburn Freeway, between Cherry and Center Streets. The owner would like to plat the property into two lots for commercial development.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Final Plat, subject to the Staff Review Letter.
CONSENT AGENDA.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

**SHERMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD REAPPOINTMENT**

David Key, 2613 Butterfield Trail, said he currently serves on the Sherman Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors and he would like to be reappointed.

He is a lifelong resident of Sherman and he and his wife have a business in downtown Sherman. He wanted the Council to know that he was very interested in being reappointed and felt he brought a sense of balance to the Board, and is not a "yes man" to every proposal.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Mayor Wacker reminded everyone that it is Election time and Early Voting began today. It runs through October 30, 2015. She said there are three items on the ballot for the City of Sherman, the Mayor and two At-Large City Council Members, the Reauthorization of the Street Sales Tax, and the Charter Amendment. She said Election Day is November 3, 2015.

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Mayor Wacker said they've already talked about Fright Fest, but there are several other Halloween events in Sherman too. These include the Trick-or-Treat Village at the Public Library on October 24, 2015; a Haunted Trail at Pecan Grove East Park on October 23, 2015; Halloween Pajama Storytime at the Public Library on October 27, 2015; a Halloween Carnival at Pecan Grove West Park on October 29, 2015; and Trick-or-Treat on Travis Street, which is a merchant driven, private event.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Deputy Mayor Plyler encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming Municipal Election. He also encouraged everyone to attend Fright Fest, saying they would have a great time.

**SEDCO
REAPPOINTMENT**

MEDIA QUESTIONS

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

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Council Member Sofey encouraged everyone to vote, adding that the Reauthorization of the Street Sales Tax is a very big item on the ballot.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

THANKS TO STAFF FOR FRIGHT FEST

Council Member Watt thanked Sergeant Hampton for all the work he puts in on Fright Fest. He said it is the “crown jewel” of the community oriented policing process. He encouraged all citizens to attend the event.

FRIGHT FEST

THANKS TO STAFF FOR ATTENDING THE MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

Council Member Steele thanked Chief Henry and Assistant Police Chief Bob Fair for speaking to the Ministerial Alliance recently. He said they received invitations to attend the upcoming pot luck dinners at the churches. He said they appreciate the Police Department for being pro-active in the community.

MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES

Mayor Wacker again thanked everyone for organizing the Halloween activities in the community, especially the Public Library and the Parks and Recreation Department. She encouraged citizens to take advantage of the opportunities.

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES

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

SECTION 551.074

**PERSONNEL MATTERS:
CONSIDER THE
QUALIFICATIONS, APPOINTMENT
AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS TO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:
SHERMAN ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS (3)**

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**

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On Motion duly made and carried, the Open Meeting recessed and reconvened in Executive Session at 5:34 p.m.

On Motion duly made and carried, the Executive Session recessed at 6:18 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

SHERMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS (3)

SEDCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Plyler to reappoint Willie Steele and to appoint Brad Douglass and Tom Shields to the Sherman Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, for a term from October 20, 2015 to October 1, 2017, as presented. Second by Council Member Davis.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

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On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK