

STATE OF TEXAS

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October 1, 2012

COUNTY OF GRAYSON

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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 1, 2012.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR BILL MAGERS; DEPUTY MAYOR WILLIE STEELE.
COUNCIL MEMBERS HOWETH, PLYLER, SOFTLY,
WACKER.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Magers called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation were given by Council Member Robert Softly.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 17, 2012 and the Called City Council Meeting (held jointly with the Sherman Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors) of September 21, 2012. Deputy Mayor Steele moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Plyler. All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVE MINUTES

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 5707 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERMAN AND THE CITY OF SOUTHMAYD FOR AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

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 SOUTHMAYD FOR AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5707
SOUTHMAYD
AMBULANCE
CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 5708 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH TIMOTHY L. MORRIS, P.E., DBA MORRIS ENGINEERS AND UNDERWOOD DRAFTING AND SURVEYING, INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND SURVEYING OF THE STATE HIGHWAY 289 NORTH BRANCH SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF

RES 5708
S.H. 289 SEWER
IMPROVEMENTS

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH TIMOTHY L. MORRIS, P.E., DBA MORRIS ENGINEERS AND UNDERWOOD DRAFTING AND SURVEYING, INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND SURVEYING OF THE STATE HIGHWAY 289 NORTH BRANCH SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RESOLUTION NO. 5709 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CUPID INVESTMENTS, INC. FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1528 SOUTH MONTGOMERY STREET
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CUPID INVESTMENTS, INC. FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1528 SOUTH MONTGOMERY STREET.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5709
RESIDENTIAL TAX
ABATEMENT
(1528 S.
MONTGOMERY)

RESOLUTION NO. 5710 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATED COLLECTION TRUCK CHASSIS FOR THE SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM CHASTANG'S BAYOU CITY AUTOCAR THROUGH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD)
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATED COLLECTION TRUCK CHASSIS FOR THE SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM CHASTANG'S BAYOU CITY AUTOCAR THROUGH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD).
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5710
SOLID WASTE
TRUCKS

RESOLUTION NO. 5711 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATED COLLECTION PACKER BODIES FOR THE SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM HEIL OF TEXAS THROUGH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD)
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO NEW RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATED COLLECTION PACKER BODIES FOR THE SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM HEIL OF TEXAS THROUGH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD).
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5711
SOLID WASTE
PACKER BODIES

RESOLUTION NO. 5712 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2013 FORD F-350 FLEET SERVICE VEHICLE FOR THE FLEET MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT FROM SAM PACK'S FIVE STAR FORD THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (H-GAC)
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A

RES 5712
FLEET MAINT.
VEHICLE

2013 FORD F-350 FLEET SERVICE VEHICLE FOR THE FLEET MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT FROM SAM PACK'S FIVE STAR FORD THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (H-GAC).
CONSENT AGENDA.

RESOLUTION NO. 5713 – ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5713
INVESTMENT POLICY

REQUEST TO ADVERTISE
STATE HIGHWAY 289 WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
The City Council approved the request to advertise for bids for the construction of the S.H. 289 Water Main Construction Project. The Capital Improvement Program contains a project to extend a water main along the east side of S.H. 289, between U.S. Highway 82 and the southern City limits.
CONSENT AGENDA.

REQUEST TO ADV
S.H. 289 WATER
MAIN PROJECT

OTHER BUSINESS
CONSIDER REQUEST OF DOWNTOWN SHERMAN PRESERVATION & REVITALIZATION TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE WALL STREET (BETWEEN TRAVIS STREET AND MONTGOMERY STREET) AND WALNUT STREET (BETWEEN PECAN STREET AND HOUSTON STREET) FOR A HALLOWEEN EVENT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2012
The City Council approved the request of Downtown Sherman Preservation & Revitalization to temporarily close Wall Street, between Travis and Montgomery Streets, and Walnut Street, between Pecan and Houston Streets, on October 13, 2012 for their Halloween Celebration. The request includes barricade placement and removal.
CONSENT AGENDA.

REQUEST TO
CLOSE STREETS
(OCT. 13, 2012)

CONSIDER REQUEST OF THE SHERMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SHERMAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE CERTAIN STREETS FOR THE 2012 SHERMAN HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING PARADE ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2012
The City Council approved the request of the Sherman Independent School District and the Sherman High School Student Council to close certain streets in the downtown area for the 2012 Sherman High School Homecoming Parade on October 15, 2012. The event will require traffic control assistance and barricade placement and removal.
CONSENT AGENDA.

REQUEST TO
CLOSE STREETS
(OCT. 15, 2012)

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR KEVIN WINKLER ON PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES
Kevin Winkler, Parks and Community Service Director, presented an update on recent Parks and Recreation

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SERVICES

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activities. It has been almost one year since the Parks and Recreation Office moved to the Glennie O. Ham building in Martin Luther King, Jr. Park. Mr. Winkler said the large facility has given them the opportunity to expand and offer more activities and classes with a wider variety.

He compared the number of activities offered in the old building from October 2010 through September 2011, which was 144, with the 221 classes and activities offered from October 2011 through September 2012. Mr. Winkler said they were also able to offer multiple classes simultaneously, as well as 48 completely new classes or activities.

He added that by moving the office away from the area around Bearcat Stadium, they were able to expand their availability and offer activities on Friday nights.

Mr. Winkler updated Council Members on activities at The Splash this year. He said they had a good season with 39,290 visitors to The Splash over the summer. The highest occupancy day this year saw 858 visitors. Last year there were 42,000 visitors to the facility over the summer.

Mr. Winkler said this year, there were 453 participants in the Learn to Swim program, 30 pool rentals, 48 cabana rentals, 170 season passes, and 87 punch cards. He added that the daily rate for The Splash is so reasonable that a visitor would need to go several times on a pass to make it cost effective.

He outlined the statistics for the athletics program, adding that it was an extremely busy season this year. Events include the Spring Youth League for baseball, softball, and soccer; the Spring Adult League for softball and basketball; the Summer Adult League for softball; and the Fall Youth and Adult Leagues. Mr. Winkler gave statistics on the number of participants and the number of games played.

He added that hosting the various games includes field preparations, setting lights, scheduling, and telephone calls. They also hosted three North Texas Baseball Tournaments this year. Another tournament is scheduled in October 2012.

Deputy Mayor Steele verified that the North Texas Baseball Association actually runs the tournaments. But the City prepares the fields, lines the fields, and monitors the restrooms and any problems that might arise. Mr. Winkler added these tournaments have really good attendance and they have historically filled all the hotel rooms in Sherman with overflow going to Denison.

Mr. Winkler said the staff is looking forward to additional opportunities that will be available with the new Fairview gym.

Council Member Howeth asked if they have received any complaints about moving the Parks and Recreation Office or if citizens are having trouble locating the office. Mr. Winkler said some people are having trouble with the location in certain GPS units. They have received many telephone calls and direct callers to the new location.

Mayor Magers congratulated Mr. Winkler on the swim program saying it is one of the best programs for children.

RECEIVE UPDATE FROM MAYOR BILL MAGERS ON THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TRANSPORTATION EXCELLENCE FOR THE 21ST CENTURY (TEX-21) U.S. 75-69 CORRIDOR TASK FORCE AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN TEX-21 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

TEX-21 CORRIDOR
TASK FORCE

Mayor Magers presented an update on the City's participation in the TEX-21 U.S. 75-69 Corridor Task Force over the past year. About a year ago, Sherman joined the TEX-21 group and agreed to see where they were after the first year. He wanted to recap that year and ask the Council to consider renewing their membership.

TEX-21 is a lobbying group that lobbies for transportation issues, which he felt was crucial for economic development. TEX-21 U.S. 75-69 Corridor Task Force was founded as a corridor initiative to have U.S. 75-69 designated as a High Priority Corridor, which is a first step to obtaining the Interstate status.

When Sherman joined TEX-21, McKinney was the northern most City to be a member. Today members include Sherman, Denison, Grayson County, Durant, and Atoka. The goal of the Corridor Task Force is to get Interstate status from Interstate 45 where it terminates in Dallas at Interstate 30, to Interstate 44 at Big Cabin, north of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mayor Magers explained that in order to be an Interstate, the beginning and end must be at another Interstate or "like body." The Task Force is attempting to get their High Priority Corridor Status recognized by Congress.

Mayor Magers added that many businesses won't move to a town unless they are on an Interstate. He added that the designation wouldn't happen overnight, but he did feel that over the next two to five years the corridor would have the High Priority Status. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation and the Tribes in Oklahoma are also supporting the initiative.

Mayor Magers outlined reasons that Sherman should renew its membership in the organization. On the task force, each member has one vote, therefore Sherman's vote counts the same as the City of Dallas' vote. Participation in the group also give Sherman access to many other cities and counties, as well as State Representative Larry Phillips, who is the chairman of the Transportation Committee.

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Mayor Magers added that when McKinney has completed their highway improvements, Highway 75 will meet the standards for Interstate status from south of Dallas through McKinney. Some work is in the process in Sherman for ramp reversals at S.H. 902 and Shepherd Road. With that complete, U.S. 75 should meet the Interstate standards to U.S. 82.

Last year, when Sherman joined the Task Force, Mayor Magers said then City Council Member Chip Adami wanted to see participation from Oklahoma. Currently Durant and Atoka are now members. He added that for \$4,200 it is “a great deal” and he felt Sherman should renew their membership in the Task Force. It is an ongoing activity and a great investment and he urged the representatives to be active members.

Deputy Mayor Steele confirmed that the cost to renew is the same as the initial fee to join.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Wacker to approve the renewal of Sherman’s membership in the TEX-21 U.S. 75-69 Corridor Task Force at a cost of \$4,200.00 for FY 2012-2013. Second by Council Member Softly.

Robby Hefton, Assistant City Manager/CFO, clarified that the fee is actually \$4,250.00.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Wacker to amend the motion to approve the renewal of Sherman’s membership in the TEX-21 U.S. 75-69 Corridor Task Force at a cost of \$4,250.00 for FY 2012-2013. Second by Council Member Softly.

VOTING AYE: Magers, Howeth, Plyler, Softly, Steele, Wacker.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

There were no citizen’s requests.

CITIZEN’S REQUESTS

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (2)

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Wacker to remove the appointment of members to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board from the table for consideration.

Second by Council Member Softly.

VOTING AYE: Howeth, Plyler, Softly, Steele, Wacker.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED TO REMOVE FROM TABLE.

**PARKS & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD**

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ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Howeth to appoint Rhonda McCollum and Jencie Bolin to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term from October 2, 2012 until October 2, 2014. Second by Council Member Wacker.

VOTING AYE: Howeth, Plyler, Softly, Steele, Wacker.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

SHERMAN BEARCAT GAME AGAINST DENISON

Council Member Howeth asked everyone to support the Sherman Bearcats this weekend when they play the Denison Yellow Jackets.

**SHERMAN BEARCAT
GAME AGAINST
DENISON**

LOST GREAT SHERMAN RESIDENT

Deputy Mayor Steele said Sherman lost a great man this past week in Bud Wallace. Mr. Wallace served several terms as a City Council Member and he will be greatly missed. He asked that everyone keep Mr. Wallace's family in their prayers.

**LOST GREAT
SHERMAN RESIDENT**

CONGRATULATIONS TO KEVIN WINKLER

Council Member Plyler congratulated Mr. Winkler and his staff for a job well done and for expanding the opportunities for our citizens.

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO KEVIN WINKLER**

SHERMAN YOUTH FOOTBALL

Mayor Magers also recognized the Sherman Bearcat "Battle of the Axe" and said if citizens wanted more football after Friday night, they can watch the only home game of the 5th and 6th graders with Sherman Youth Football on Saturday at Bearcat Stadium.

**SHERMAN YOUTH
FOOTBALL**

LOST GREAT SHERMAN RESIDENT

Mayor Magers said Bud Wallace served Sherman for many years and was a "great guy."

**LOST GREAT
SHERMAN RESIDENT**

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR

CITY CLERK