

STATE OF TEXAS

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August 21, 2017

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 August 21, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR DAVID PLYLER; DEPUTY MAYOR JASON SOFEY.
COUNCIL MEMBERS BROWN, COUCH, HOWETH, STEELE,
TEAMANN.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

NONE.

CALL TO ORDER

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

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 7, 2017. Council Member Steele moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Couch. All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVE MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2017-2022

Mayor Plyler called for a public hearing on the Capital Improvement Program for 2017 through 2022.

CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM

Mary Lawrence, Director of Finance, said the Capital Improvement Program consists of projects submitted by each department for consideration for the next five years and is used as a planning tool.

Only projects in the first year are actually funded as part of the FY 2018 Budget. Projects funded in this first year amount to \$16.3 million.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss the Capital Improvement Program for 2017 through 2022.

INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6048 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO ANNEX A 19.379 ACRE TRACT OF LAND IN KINGS RIDGE ADDITION ON NORWOOD STREET, ADJACENT TO THE SHERMAN CITY LIMITS AND IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S EXTRA TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION; PROVIDING FOR A MUNICIPAL SERVICE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

ORD 6048
KINGS RIDGE
ADDITION
ANNEXATION

Robby Hefton, City Manager, said this is the public hearing for the ordinance that will finalize the proposed annexation of Kings Ridge Addition. Two public hearings have previously been held. If approved by the City Council, the annexation will become effective immediately.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6048.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6049 and called for a public hearing:

ORD 6049
ANNUAL BUDGET

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

Mayor Plyler said State law requires that the following statement be read: "This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$1,465,000 and 13% and, of that amount, \$142,000 is revenue to be raised from new property to be added to the roll this year."

Ms. Lawrence said this is the same draft budget that was presented to the City Council at the August 7, 2017 City Council Meeting. It includes an adjustment to the tax rate, the utility rate, and the stormwater fee.

Fred Mask, 507 S. Contemporary

Mr. Mask said he lives on Contemporary Drive and has been affected by the flooding for the past 10 to 20 years. He said he has lost everything for the second time in 10 years, as have some of his neighbors.

He said they are suffering and need the City to become involved in their problem. He said the creek is completely full of debris.

Tiffany Hearn, 1204 Dundale Circle

Ms. Hearn said her home "takes the drainage" off of Blanton Drive and a trench has been cut in her property. During the last rain she lost a foot of soil from her yard. The dirt and debris washes to the nearby creek and continues to cause problems farther down. She said it is also tearing up the pavement in the street. She asked for help with the stormwater.

Ernesteene Coleman Hill 1842 Spring Ave, Carrollton

Ms. Hill owns property at 413 S. Contemporary that has flooded over the years. In 2007 the water entered her property from the west side as it flowed through West Hill Cemetery and down the creek. Water rose four feet in many of the houses along Contemporary.

She said there was a financial loss, but also an emotional pressure with the loss. She felt there must be a solution to the flooding problem.

She felt one solution would be to clean out the existing drainage avenues on the east and west, and said she has seen huge logs that have fallen across the creek and catch debris.

She asked them to consider every avenue available to make the situation better. The residents are suffering loss in every way.

Martin Louis DeLouch, 601 S. Contemporary

Mr. DeLouch said he was a victim of the recent flood and has suffered through two floods since he moved to Sherman. He said he has not seen anything that has been done since the 2007 flood, that would help relieve the flooding.

He said at a minimum, the creek needs to be cleaned out. A tree has fallen through his new fence that was installed this Spring.

Shirley Jones Andreas, 606 S. Contemporary

Ms. Andreas said they recently sold their home on Contemporary, but had lost a lot in the past due to flooding. She said they have lost photographs and mementoes, and had hoped to live in the house the rest of their lives, but could not do so. She asked the City to help the residents that still lived in the neighborhood.

Bill Douglass, 2301 San Miguel

Mr. Douglass asked if the proposed budget included the cost of financing the stormwater treatment. Mr. Hefton said what is currently proposed in the budget is \$1 per equivalent unit. He said a separate ordinance on the stormwater would also be presented to the City Council for consideration. However, the budget includes a \$1 fee.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6049.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6050 and called for the first public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, FOR THE TAX YEAR 2017; DISTRIBUTING THE SAME AMONG THE VARIOUS FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY AND INTEREST FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE TAXES LEVIED WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

ORD 6050
LEVY OF AD
VALOREM TAXES

Mayor Plyler said State law required that the following announcement be read: "The City Council will consider the adoption of the tax rate ordinance at the regular meeting

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scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017, at Sherman City Hall, 220 West Mulberry Street, Sherman, Texas.”

Ms. Lawrence said this is the first public hearing for the tax rate of \$0.42730 per \$100 valuation. The rate is broken up into an operations rate and a debt rate. The operations rate is the same as last year, but the debt rate is about \$0.08, which is about \$0.033 higher than last year.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6050.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6051 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ORDERING AN ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO (2) DISTRICT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR SAID CITY; PROVIDING THAT SAID ELECTION SHALL BE HELD JOINTLY WITH GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS; DESIGNATING ELECTION PRECINCTS; APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF DIRECT RECORDING ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING.

**ORD 6051
REGULAR MUNICIPAL
ELECTION
(NOV. 7, 2017)**

Mr. Hefton said this ordinance calls the Election for the two District City Council seats for District 2 and District 4. The Election will be held on November 7, 2017.

As of 5:00 p.m. today, the filing period is over, however a candidate could still file as a write-in candidate for a few more days.

The next agenda item is for a Charter Amendment Election that would be held at the same time if the City Council approves Ordinance 6052.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6051.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6052 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ON THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; DESIGNATING ELECTION PRECINCTS; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF DIRECT RECORDING ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING.

**ORD 6052
CHARTER
AMENDMENT
ELECTION
(NOV. 7, 2017)**

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Brandon Shelby, City Attorney, said this ordinance would call a Special Election for the same day as the General Election. The Election would include the six Charter Amendments that were discussed at the last City Council Meeting. The ordinance includes the language that would appear on the ballot.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6052.

Mayor Plyler introduced Ordinance No. 6053 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE PROJECT PLAN AND THE FINANCING PLAN FOR THE SHERMAN TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SIX; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT.

ORD 6053
TIRZ #6

Mr. Hefton said this is the Project Plan and Financing Plan that was proposed by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #6 Board. There was unanimous approval for the plan and the Board recommended submission of the plans to the City Council for their consideration.

He said there is another agenda item that relates to a specific Development Agreement within the Investment Zone.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance No. 6053.

The Public Hearing was closed.

PROVIDING FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

PROPERTY TAX
INCREASE

Mayor Plyler said Agenda Item D-1 should be considered prior to the adoption of Ordinance 6049.

Ms. Lawrence said this item is required by the Texas Local Government Code and relates to the budget. If the City raises even \$1 more in property tax than the previous year they are required to have this ratification item on the agenda. The tax rate can remain the same, and this item ratifying the property tax increase would still be required.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Sofey to ratify the property tax increase proposed in the Budget Ordinance No. 6049, as presented. Second by Council Member Howeth.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Couch, Howeth, Sofey, Steele, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 6048

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

ORD 6048
KINGS RIDGE

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ORD 6049
ANNUAL BUDGET

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Howeth to adopt Ordinance No. 6049, as presented. Second by Council Member Steele.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Howeth, Sofey, Steele.

VOTING NAY: Couch, Teamann.

MOTION CARRIED.

Ordinance 6051

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ORD 6053
TIRZ #6

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ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Sofey to adopt Ordinance Nos. 6048, 6051, 6052, and 6053, as presented. Second by Council Member Steele.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Couch, Howeth, Sofey, Steele, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 6250 – APPROVING AND ADOPTING A FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, APPROVING AND ADOPTING A FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS.

**RES 6250
CIP**

Ms. Lawrence said this is for consideration of the CIP after the public hearing has been held. The City's Charter requires that the CIP be adopted by resolution.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to adopt Resolution No. 6250, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Sofey.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Howeth, Sofey, Steele.

VOTING NAY: Couch, Teamann.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6251 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS, TO HOLD A JOINT ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS, TO HOLD A JOINT ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017.

**RES 6251
JOINT ELECTION
AGREEMENT WITH
GRAYSON COUNTY
(NOV. 7, 2017)**

Mr. Hefton said this Election Agreement allows the City to use the resources of Grayson County for the upcoming Election. The City and County have combined their Elections for the past several years and it saves taxpayer's money by combining Election efforts.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Couch to adopt Resolution No. 6251, as presented. Second by Council Member Teamann.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Couch, Howeth, Sofey, Steele, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6252 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH STANLEY BLYTHE, ET AL, PTR. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES IN SHERMAN TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE #6 IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN

RES 6252
DEVELOPMENT
AGREEMENT
STANLEY BLYTHE
TIRZ #6

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH STANLEY BLYTHE, ET AL, PTR. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES IN SHERMAN TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE #6 IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN.

Mr. Hefton said since the City now has a TIRZ #6, they have been working with the property owner/developer on a Development Agreement for infrastructure development in the zone. The area is located at the southwest corner of US Hwy 75 and SH 691 on the north side of Sherman.

He added that they have a good plan for development of the infrastructure. The agreement will outline the conditions on which the City will reimburse them for agreed upon infrastructure.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Couch to adopt Resolution No. 6252, as presented. Second by Council Member Howeth.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Couch, Howeth, Sofey, Steele, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6253 -- AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHERMAN AND THE CITY OF FORT WORTH FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SERVICES

RES 6253
HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE
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 FORT WORTH FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SERVICES.

Steve Ayers, Assistant City Manager, said the City has contracted with the City of Fort Worth since 2006 to hold Household Hazardous Waste events for Sherman citizens. The annual event is held at City Hall and citizens need to bring a local water bill. Items such as televisions, computers, batteries, paint, pesticides, and other hazardous waste are collected for disposal.

Council Member Howeth asked about offering the event twice a year instead of only once. She expressed concern about whether or not citizens would collect their items throughout the year for disposal or if some of the items were still disposed of in their regular trash pick-ups, ending up in the landfill.

She also asked about the cost of the service. Mr. Ayers said it cost the City between \$1,500 and \$2,000 for disposal. He said generally there is 20 to 30 households that participate in the event. She felt more households might use the service if it was offered twice a year.

Mr. Ayers said the event also included electronics disposal by a Bonham company that offered the service for free. Normally the Police Department also offers collection for unused medications during the Earth Day event.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to adopt Resolution No. 6253, as presented. Second by Council Member Couch.

VOTING AYE: Brown, Couch, Howeth, Sofey, Steele, Teamann.

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 6254 – ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT WITH LYNN VESSELS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC AS COMPLETE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHERMAN SEARS LIFT STATION RELIEF SEWER PROJECT

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE CONTRACT WITH LYNN VESSELS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC AS COMPLETE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHERMAN SEARS LIFT STATION RELIEF SEWER PROJECT.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 6254
SEARS LIFT STATION
RELIEF SEWER
PROJECT

RESOLUTION NO. 6255 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TOBARS PROPERTIES, LLC FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 909 NORTH THROCKMORTON STREET

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TOBARS PROPERTIES, LLC FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 909 NORTH THROCKMORTON STREET.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 6255
RESIDENTIAL TAX
ABATEMENT
(909 N.
THROCKMORTON)

RESOLUTION NO. 6256 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HERIBERTO MANCILLA FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1031 SOUTH TRAVIS STREET

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HERIBERTO MANCILLA FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1031 SOUTH TRAVIS STREET.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 6256
RESIDENTIAL TAX
ABATEMENT
(1031 S. TRAVIS)

OTHER BUSINESS

CONSIDER REQUEST OF THE SHERMAN HIGH SCHOOL'S BAND PROGRAM TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE CERTAIN STREETS FOR THE "BAND ON THE RUN" 5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN ON SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018, WITH A RAIN DATE OF SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018

**CLOSE STREETS
SHS "BAND
ON THE RUN"
(MAR. 3, 2018)**

The City Council approved the request from the Sherman High School Band to temporarily close certain streets for the "Band on the Run" 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run on March 3, 2018. In case of rain the event will move to March 10, 2018.

They are requesting assistance with street closures and traffic control, including the closure of Rusk Street in front of Piner Middle School. They will need barricades and cones from the City.

Even though Rusk Street will be closed, the organizers have been told that accessibility through Rusk Street by emergency and fire vehicles must be maintained at all times throughout the event.

CONSENT AGENDA.

CONSIDER REQUEST OF THE RESET GROUP, THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND SHERMAN MAIN STREET TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE TRAVIS STREET FOR "TRICK-OR-TREAT ON TRAVIS STREET" ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017

**CLOSE STREETS
"TRICK-OR-TREAT
ON TRAVIS STREET"
(OCT. 26, 2017)**

The City Council approved the request from The RESET Group, the Parks and Recreation Department, and Sherman Main Street, to temporarily close Travis Street for "Trick-or-Treat on Travis Street" on October 26, 2017.

Travis Street will be closed between Houston and Wall Streets, and Wall Street will be closed between Walnut and Crockett Streets. The event will feature business owners, organizations, and individuals handing out candy and running old fashioned games for a family friendly event.

Barricades and solid waste receptacles will be provided by the City.

CONSENT AGENDA.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

FLOODING IN THE CONTEMPORARY AREA

**FLOODING IN THE
CONTEMPORARY
AREA**

Mr. Hefton asked to respond to the citizens from the Contemporary Street, area that spoke about the need for help from the City to address their flooding problems. He said the staff does realize that these flooding problems are long-standing.

He said if the stormwater program is adopted to its final conclusion, there will be funding available that would help address the issues. He said it is "on the front burner" but would not be immediate.

As the plan has developed, that project is on the top of the list and would be addressed with the first funding received for the program. They would be working with the homeowners or developers for the affected property.

In the meantime, each resident probably has a different situation, and some may have insurance while others do not. He said there are many things “in play,” but from a City standpoint, they hope to begin taking action that will be permanent and would help the citizens in that area. They need to get the program in place.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

HOUSES DESTROYED ON CENTENNIAL STREET DURING FLOOD

Council Member Brown said he toured some of the homes destroyed on Centennial Street during the recent flood. Some residents are staying in hotels. He said the Ministerial Alliance is trying to help some of the residents.

He hoped that the City could get something done soon to help the residents.

CONTEMPORARY AND REGENCY STREET FLOODING

Council Member Howeth addressed two areas destroyed by the recent flooding, on Contemporary Street and Regency Street. She said there were also other areas that flooded and the damage would be quite costly. She told citizens that the City would do something as quickly as they could.

COMPLETION OF LOY LAKE ROAD

Council Member Howeth complimented the City on the completion and opening of Loy Lake Road. She said she had heard many compliments and she hoped it would make it easier for citizens to shop in that area.

SHERMAN FLOODING

Deputy Mayor Sofey said flooding has been an issue in Sherman for many years, and he was glad the City is starting the stormwater program. He said he was a proponent of the program, even though it can be unpopular to instigate fees for everyone in Sherman.

He said many citizens are affected by the flooding and he remembered, as a child, watching the houses on Regency Circle flood many times. He said it will take a long time, but should start to make an impact.

TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE

Deputy Mayor Sofey said he was happy about the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone and was happy to see the development started.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

**HOUSES DESTROYED
ON CENTENNIAL ST.
DURING FLOOD**

**CONTEMPORARY ST.
& REGENCY ST.
FLOODING**

**COMPLETION OF
LOY LAKE RD.**

SHERMAN FLOODING

TIRZ

CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCIL MEMBER STEELE

Deputy Mayor Sofey congratulated Council Member Steele on the birth of his eighth grandchild.

STORMWATER

Council Member Steele said he first went on the City Council in 2002 and they were discussing stormwater and stormwater detention then. He said they are still talking about it, but now they are also doing something about it.

He said any growing City has growing pains and there is a “cause and effect.” When there are more businesses with more roofs and more houses, all that water has to go somewhere.

Now the City Council is beginning to address the situation and tonight was the beginning of that process. It’s not an immediate “fix” but it will be “fixed.” It takes time. He said sometimes the City Council must make hard decisions that not everyone agrees with, but he felt it was the right thing to do.

CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCIL MEMBER STEELE

Council Member Couch congratulated Council Member Steele on the birth of his grandchild.

TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE

Council Member Couch was pleased about the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone development. He said QuikTrip was excited to begin construction. Their development will be located at US Hwy 75 and SH 691.

VOTE IN UPCOMING ELECTION

Council Member Couch encouraged citizens to vote in the upcoming Election on November 7, 2017. There will be two Council Member positions on the ballot, as well as Charter Amendments. He encouraged anyone with questions to contact City Hall.

UBER IN SHERMAN

Council Member Teamann said Uber was now in Sherman. He said it is a cost efficient way of traveling. He said Sherman is growing and there is a need for that service.

CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCIL MEMBER STEELE

Council Member Teamann congratulated Council Member Steele on the birth of his grandchild.

CONTEMPORARY STREET FLOODING

Mayor Plyler said he toured the Contemporary Street area after the recent flooding. He said flooding and the stormwater program are at the top of his list. The City Council will continue to follow these projects and see them through. He said it won’t be done immediately, but they will make progress.

CONGRATULATIONS
TO COUNCIL MEMBER
STEELE

STORMWATER

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TIRZ

VOTE IN UPCOMING
ELECTION

UBER IN SHERMAN

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TO COUNCIL MEMBER
STEELE

CONTEMPORARY ST.
FLOODING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Plyler announced the following:

- Ribbon cutting and grand opening for the new Tourism Office will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at 12:00 noon, at 100 North Travis Street.
- He thanked all of the community partners for their help at the recent Loy Lake Road ribbon cutting. There was a lot of work behind the scene and the citizens are happy to have the roadway open.
- Coffee with the Mayor will be held on Friday, September 1, 2017, at 8:00 a.m., at 223 South Travis Street.

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

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| SECTION 551.071 – | CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY CONCERNING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION |
| SECTION 551.074 -- | PERSONNEL MATTERS: DELIBERATE THE EVALUATION OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE: ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE CITY MANAGER |
| SECTION 551.087 -- | DELIBERATE 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 5:42 p.m.

On Motion duly made and carried, the Executive Session recessed at 6:09 p.m. and reconvened in Open Meeting.

COUNCIL MINUTES – AUGUST 21, 2017

OPEN MEETING

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

OPEN MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR

CITY CLERK