

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 April 20, 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. Council Member Ryan Johnson invited Boy Scout Lance Johnston, Troop 15, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by Council Member Johnson.

Mayor Wacker recognized Steve Ayers, who was formally Assistant Police Chief and has now been appointed Director of Community and Support Services. She said the Council looks forward to working with him in his new capacity.

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 6, 2015. Council Member Watt moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Steele. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION

"TEXOMA EARTH DAY FESTIVAL DAY" – APRIL 25, 2015
Mayor Wacker presented a proclamation to Amy Hoffman-Shehan, Texoma Earth Day Festival Committee Member, designating April 25, 2015 as "Texoma Earth Day Festival Day" in Sherman.

Ms. Hoffman-Shehan outlined the events scheduled for the 7th Annual Texoma Earth Day Festival, which has grown from 1,500 people the first year to an expected 8,000 or more this year.

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO. 5873

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA AS INDUSTRIAL REINVESTMENT ZONE, NUMBER 042015-1, CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AGREEMENTS WITHIN THE ZONE, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE REINVESTMENT ZONE AND THIS ORDINANCE.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5873.

INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5876 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 ABOLISH THE ONE REMAINING TESTED ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF POSITION AND TO CREATE A SECOND APPOINTED ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF POSITION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

ORD 5876
CREATE APPOINTED
ASSISTANT POLICE
CHIEF POSITION

Otis Henry, Police Chief, explained that in July 2014, the Council authorized the appointment of one of two Assistant Chief positions. Assistant Chief Ayers held the “tested” position but he has now accepted the position of Director of Community and Support Services.

Chief Henry said he is now requesting to make the remaining Assistant Chief position an appointed position too.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5876.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 5873

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ORD 5873
REINVESTMENT
ZONE

Ordinance 5876

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 ABOLISH THE ONE REMAINING TESTED ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF POSITION AND TO CREATE A SECOND APPOINTED

ORD 5876
CREATE APPOINTED
ASSISTANT POLICE
CHIEF POSITION

ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF POSITION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Johnson to approve Ordinance Nos. 5873 and 5876, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Plyler.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 5960 – DECLARING THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S ELIGIBILITY AND INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT/REDEVELOPMENT IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY; ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

**RES 5960
RESIDENTIAL
TAX ABATEMENT
PROGRAM**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, DECLARING THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S ELIGIBILITY AND INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT / REDEVELOPMENT IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE CITY; ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA.

Robby Hefton, City Manager, said State law requires that the City adopt the Residential Tax Abatement Program every two years, in order to continue offering the program. It has been very successful in the past and hundreds of houses have been built on infill lots and millions of dollars reinvested in the community.

Mayor Wacker said the program has been in place in Sherman for 17 years, and over 280 home have been built, with over \$21 million invested in infill areas of the community. Besides providing good quality, affordable housing, the program keeps the City vibrant in those older neighborhoods.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to approve Resolution No. 5960, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 5961 – CERTIFYING FUNDING AND SUPPORT FOR THE 2015 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM NOMINATION FORM WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE APPLICATION TO RECEIVE FUNDING TO BUILD THE DOWNTOWN SHERMAN STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT PHASE II

**RES 5961
DOWNTOWN
STREETSCAPE
ENHANCEMENT
PROJECT PHASE II**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, CERTIFYING FUNDING AND SUPPORT FOR THE 2015 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM NOMINATION FORM WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE APPLICATION TO RECEIVE FUNDING TO BUILD THE DOWNTOWN SHERMAN STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT PHASE II.

Clay Barnett, Director of Public Works and Engineering, updated the Council on funding for the 2015 Transportation Alternatives Program, for the Downtown Sherman Streetscape Enhancement Project, Phase II.

He explained that this is a continuation of the program that was begun five or six years ago. This would continue the project from the downtown area, east toward Sherman High School. The goal would eventually be to connect the High School with U.S. Hwy 75.

Mayor Wacker said that is an important corridor and the City has been focusing on it with the Texas Trash-Off and other clean-up efforts. She verified that the deadline for submission of the application is May 4, 2015.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to approve Resolution No. 5961, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 5962 – REVOKING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION NO. 5878; ESTABLISHING SALARY STRUCTURES AND INCENTIVE/CERTIFICATION PAY SCHEDULES FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS; ESTABLISHING SPECIAL LONGEVITY PAY SCHEDULES FOR SOME NEWLY HIRED FIREFIGHTERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**RES 5962
PAY FOR NEWLY
HIRED FIRE FIGHTERS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, REVOKING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION NO. 5878; ESTABLISHING SALARY STRUCTURES AND INCENTIVE / CERTIFICATION PAY SCHEDULES FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS; ESTABLISHING SPECIAL LONGEVITY PAY SCHEDULES FOR SOME NEWLY HIRED FIREFIGHTERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Hefton said this resolution mirrors one that was approved last year for the Police Department, to allow them to hire officers who had service at other cities and bring them in at a level higher than entry level, to recognize up to three years of service with other departments.

This resolution would do the same for firefighters and allow those with up to three years of prior experience and have their certification, to hire in at a higher rate of pay. This allows the City to be more competitive and is an effective recruiting tool.

Mayor Wacker said the program has been highly successful for the Police Department and is expected to do the same for the Fire Department.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve Resolution No. 5962, as presented. Second by Council Member Steele.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM UTILITIES DIRECTOR MARK GIBSON ON A NEW ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK

ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK

Mayor Wacker said this agenda item is a companion to Resolution No. 5963 and will be taken out of order prior to consideration of the resolution.

Mark Gibson, Director of Utilities, said Sherman has two zones of water, ground water on the south and east, and surface water on the north and west. There are three subzones in the surface water area. These include the major surface zone, a reduced pressure area, and a pump station on F.M. 1417 that takes water from the Water Treatment Plant and pumps it to an elevated tank on Shepherd Drive to serve the industries.

There are five elevated tanks in Sherman. The Fairview and Harrison tanks are located in the ground water zone and their overflow elevations are set at the same level and have the same pressure. If there is a problem with one tank, the other one can take the load and supply water.

Since there are three zones in the surface water zone, the tanks can't be paired up at the same elevation and pressure. If the Rex Cruse water tank needs to be removed from service, water could be "bled" from the ground water zone to cover service.

If the Shepherd Drive tank needs to be removed from service, the Gallagher tank is higher than Shepherd Drive and has a lot of capacity. If needed, the system could

bypass the booster pump station and a valve could be opened on F.M. 1417 to allow water to go to Shepherd Drive.

The Gallagher tank is the main tank in the surface water zone and it supplies some major areas of Sherman. It is a two million gallon tank and is the backbone of the system in the surface water zone.

In the past, when the Gallagher tank was repainted, water was left inside the riser tube which keeps the pressure up in the system. To keep the volume up, the clear wells at the Water Treatment Plant were kept full and hold six million gallons.

However this time, they need to repair leaks in the riser, so the Gallagher tank must be completely removed from service. By doing this, the City would lose the capacity in the tank, as well as the pressure in the system. The tank would need to be drained completely to replace the riser.

The new tank will be “paired up” with the Gallagher tank so if one is removed from service, the other one will handle the load.

In looking for a new site there were five criteria that were considered. The new tank must be located in the surface water zone, it should be separated from the existing towers, and it should be in a potential growth area. Mr. Gibson said they would also like to locate the tank where there was some existing infrastructure available, so they wouldn't have to build new pipelines. Ideally the location would already be owned by the City.

Five “high points” were looked at as potential sites. The best site was located at the existing booster pump station on F.M. 1417, near Park Avenue. It meets all the criteria, and the City already owns the property. Therefore the staff is recommending use of that location for the site of the new elevated water tank, which would be located on the north side of the site.

The proposed tank would be a composite tank, which is different from the other tanks in Sherman. It would be a concrete cylinder with a steel tank on top, which is the most economical type to build. The cylinder of the tank is hollow and could be used for storage. He showed several examples of similar tanks.

The main reason for the tank is to pair it up with the Gallagher tank at the same overflow elevation. That way the tanks can be interchangeable when one needs to be removed from service.

Mr. Gibson said the cost of the project is about \$3.3 million and construction should begin around the first of 2016. It should be online in the first quarter of 2017.

Mayor Wacker said the new tank was important not only to maintain the level of service that the City already has, but in anticipation of future growth in the City. Mr. Gibson said it would enhance the ability for future development to the west and the south.

RESOLUTION NO. 5963 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FREEMAN-MILLICAN, INC. FOR THE DESIGN OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK IMPROVEMENTS

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FREEMAN-MILLICAN, INC. FOR THE DESIGN OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN ELEVATED WATER STORAGE TANK IMPROVEMENTS.

**RES 5963
ELEVATED WATER
STORAGE TANK
IMPROVEMENTS**

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve Resolution No. 5963, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Plyler.
VOTING AYE: Davis, Johnson, Plyler, Sofey, Steele, Watt.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 5964 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A MITEL PHONE SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN FROM MITEL BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC. UNDER TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES CONTRACT NUMBER DIR-TSO-2685

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A MITEL PHONE SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF SHERMAN FROM MITEL BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC. UNDER TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES CONTRACT NUMBER DIR-TSO-2685.

**RES 5964
MITEL PHONE
SYSTEM**

Don Keene, Director of Administration and Finance, said the City's current telephone system is a Mitel system, but is approaching 15 years old. Mitel notified the staff several years ago that the current system is becoming obsolete and they will no longer support the system.

The staff has researched the issue for over a year and has decided on another Mitel system. Cost of the new system will be \$135,000. One of the features of the new system is that it will allow Voice Over Internet Protocol, allowing the staff to use the existing data network to make phone calls within the City and will provide a significant monthly savings on the telephone bills. It is estimated that it will save the City about \$60,000 annually. Therefore the system should pay for itself in just over two years.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to approve Resolution No. 5964, as presented. Second by Council Member Johnson.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 5965 – AWARDING A BID TO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH OVERLAND MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURING, INC. FOR AN ANNUAL SUPPLY OF HOT MIX ASPHALT

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AWARDING A BID TO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH OVERLAND MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURING, INC. FOR AN ANNUAL SUPPLY OF HOT MIX ASPHALT.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5965
ANNUAL SUPPLY
OF HOT MIX ASPHALT

RESOLUTION NO. 5966 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ENCROACHMENT EASEMENT TO KENT HUGHLETT FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A DECORATIVE FENCE WITHIN THE SOUTH CROCKETT STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE CITY OF SHERMAN

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ENCROACHMENT EASEMENT TO KENT HUGHLETT FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A DECORATIVE FENCE WITHIN THE SOUTH CROCKETT STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE CITY OF SHERMAN.

CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5966
ENCROACHMENT
EASEMENT FOR
FENCE
(S. CROCKETT ST.)

OTHER BUSINESS

RECEIVE QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT FROM SHERMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD CHAIRMAN BROOKS HULL AND SEDCO PRESIDENT SCOTT CONNELL

Scott Connell, Sherman Economic Development Corporation President, presented their quarterly progress report. He said during the quarter, SEDCO focused on launching the business retention and expansion program. He recognized Stacey Jones, Economic Development Coordinator, for spearheading the project.

SEDCO PROGRESS
REPORT

SEDCO tries to perform a regular monthly visit to at least one industry in the market, engaging a Board Member, a Council Member, the Director of the Center for Workplace Learning at Grayson College, and a SEDCO Staff Member.

They meet with representatives of the industry to hear what their issues are and to make sure they know about the resources available to them. They try to encourage good, close relationships with the local industries. He thanked the City Council for being a part of the process.

Mr. Connell said SEDCO was very busy during the second quarter of this fiscal year and submitted 12 proposals to companies. He discussed what is included in a proposal.

He explained those proposals are a response to a request, generally for a particular location search, with questions about what the location has to offer. There were ten follow-up reports, which are details specifically related to the data that SEDCO provided in the proposal. Typically SEDCO is given one week to submit their response, which could include from eight to 50 pages of information, and is very detailed.

Most requests for proposals come from the Texas Governor's Office, site location consultants, commercial real estate brokers, from a company directly, from Oncor Electric Delivery, or from the Dallas Chamber. Basically it is a real estate process and they are looking for a location. He outlined the data that would be included in the proposal and the response.

Some of the information is available on the Internet, but SEDCO must make sure that the data available is up to date. The original data is something that must be completed by SEDCO and the presentation of this data must be such that it can be understood and interpreted. The analysis from the cities may take from one to three months, and then the site visits begin.

Mr. Connell said site visits are extremely important because the companies need to come and see the community. With negotiations and eliminations, the decision could take from two to six months, or even years.

SEDCO's goal is to complete two proposals per month and they have had 17 proposals for FY 2014-2015. There have also been a lot of follow-ups.

Council Member Steele asked how many site visits they have received from the 12 proposals. Mr. Connell said they have received two site visits, and two others have been postponed.

Council Member Davis asked if most companies are looking for warehouses or buildings that are already built. Mr. Connell said over the last year it has generally been companies looking for existing buildings. Since the economy has gotten better, companies realize that there are modern buildings available and SEDCO is seeing site visits. They are mostly seeing requests for new buildings now.

Mayor Wacker said Sherman is extremely fortunate to have the diversity in the industrial base, which really sustains the economy.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM NANCY KNAPP
CONCERNING THE RENAMING OF A PORTION OF F.M. 1417
AS “VIETNAM VETERANS PARKWAY”

Charles Holcomb, President, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 973, said Nancy Knapp, who was originally scheduled to request the renaming of a portion of F.M. 1417 as “Vietnam Veterans Parkway” was in the hospital and unable to attend the meeting.

REQUEST TO RENAME
PART OF FM 1417
“VIETNAM VETERANS
PARKWAY”

Mr. Holcomb said a member of their organization, Bob Hillerby, was killed in a motorcycle accident on this stretch of F.M. 1417 several years ago. At that time they realized there were no safety turn lanes on the highway at that location.

The Vietnam Veterans decided to take up the cause to get the Texas Department of Transportation to install safety turn lanes on F.M. 1417, from U.S. Hwy 82 to S.H. 11. Ms. Knapp was the program chair for that first project.

This project is to rename the portion of F.M. 1417 from S.H. 11 to U.S. Hwy 75, Vietnam Veterans Parkway. Ms. Knapp collected 300 names in support of the highway name change.

Mayor Wacker said the Council appreciates the efforts that Ms. Knapp and the organization have made on behalf of the safety turn lane on F.M. 1417. She said funding for that project has been approved through the Metropolitan Planning Organization and TxDot will be providing the upgrade. She felt the name change was a fitting way to honor Mr. Hillerby as well as the Vietnam Veterans’ service to their country.

Council Member Watt said he had spoken with Ms. Knapp and she had worked very hard on these projects. He urged the Council to follow whatever procedure was needed to “make it happen.”

Mr. Barnett said the next step would be to adopt a resolution to rename the street. Council Member Watt said he had also talked to the Grayson County Judge and he indicated that he saw no problem with the request going forward from the County’s standpoint too. There would also need to be an official act by the Commissioner’s Court.

Mayor Wacker instructed the staff to bring back a resolution at the next City Council Meeting to rename the portion of F.M. 1417, from U.S. Hwy 75 to S.H. 11, Vietnam Veterans Parkway.

Mr. Hefton said about half of that section of the highway is not in the Sherman City limits. The portion from U.S. Hwy 75 to the railroad tracks by the Elk’s Lodge is in the City limits.

Council Member Watt wanted to recognize Mr. Holcomb and the others in attendance and thank them for their service.

SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH KAISER ALUMINUM FABRICATED PRODUCTS, LLC FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN INDUSTRIAL REINVESTMENT ZONE, NUMBER 042015-1, CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS

KAISER ALUMINUM
AD VALOREM
PROPERTY TAX
ABATEMENT

Mr. Hefton said the adoption of Ordinance 5873, earlier in the meeting, established the Industrial Reinvestment Zone. The current item sets the public hearing on the proposed agreement with Kaiser Aluminum Fabricated Products, for the May 4, 2015 City Council Meeting. Adoption of the abatement agreement will also be considered at the same meeting.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to set a public hearing on May 4, 2015, at 5:00 p.m., on the proposed agreement with Kaiser Aluminum Fabricated Products, LLC for the abatement of ad valorem property taxes, as presented.
Second by Council Member Johnson.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

REPLAT APPROVAL OF VANDERVEER ADDITION, A REPLAT OF BLOCK 3, T.J. SHANNON SUPPLEMENT; BEING PART OF LOT 10 AND ALL OF LOTS 11 & 12, BLOCK E, T.J. SHANNON SUPPLEMENT, CONTAINING 0.43 ACRES; SEAN VANDERVEER, OWNER; AND SARTIN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. SURVEYOR (200 BLOCKS OF EAST PECAN AND NORTH MONTGOMERY STREETS)

APPROVE REPLAT
VANDERVEER
ADDITION
(200 BLOCKS OF E.
PECAN & N.
MONTGOMERY STS.)

The City Council approved the Replat of Vanderveer Addition, a Replat of Block E, T.J. Shannon Supplement, being a part of Lot 10 and all of Lots 11 and 12, Block E, T.J. Shannon Supplement. The 0.43 acre tract is located in the 200 blocks of East Pecan and North Montgomery Streets.

The owner would like to plat the property into two lots for commercial development. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Replat, subject to the Staff Review Letter.

CONSENT AGENDA.

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF CAJC ADDITION, BEING 4.33 ACRES IN THE DANIEL C. SHELPS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 1097; CAJC CORPORATION, OWNERS; DAN MASSEY, APPLICANT; AND UNDERWOOD DRAFTING AND SURVEYING, SURVEYORS (5200 BLOCK OF TEXOMA PARKWAY)

APPROVE FINAL PLAT
CAJC ADDITION
(5200 BLOCK OF
TEXOMA PKWY)

The City Council approved the Final Plat of the CAJC Addition, located in the Daniel C. Shelp Survey, Abstract No. 1097. The 4.33 acre tract is located in the 5200 block of Texoma Parkway, between Fallon Drive and Woodlake Road.

The applicant 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

There were no citizen's requests.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

GOOD THINGS GOING ON IN THE CITY

Council Member Steele acknowledged the things going on in the City, especially with the staff, caring for the roads, the Fire Department, and the Police Department.

Police Chief Otis Henry recently presented information on the Police Department, including the racial profiling report, to the Ministerial Alliance. Council Member Steele said it's always good to have the community leaders talking to the community.

CITY STAFF

Council Member Watt said he felt Mr. Hefton is putting together a strong staff to move forward with the tasks at hand. He said Chief Steve Ayers has been his colleague for many years and he felt Mr. Hefton did a great service for the City in bringing him into City Hall. He congratulated Mr. Ayers on his promotion and his transfer.

STREET MAINTENANCE

Council Member Watt said when it is time to look at roads for repair and resurface, he urged the staff to look at Peyton Street, near the Post Office.

RESIDENTIAL TAX ABATEMENTS

Council Member Sofey said he was glad to see the City renew the residential tax abatement program. He said it is a great program and helps with development in a portion of Sherman.

SHERMAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Council Member Sofey recognized SEDCO for their work promoting new businesses, as well as the growth of existing businesses. There are several industries that have grown, and are adding new employees and adding to the tax base.

WILSON N. JONES AUXILIARY 50th ANNIVERSARY

Deputy Mayor Plyler recently presented a proclamation recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the Wilson N. Jones Auxiliary. He congratulated them on their many years of service to the community.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

MEDIA QUESTIONS

GOOD THINGS
GOING ON IN
THE CITY

CITY STAFF

STREET
MAINTENANCE

RESIDENTIAL
TAX ABATEMENTS

SEDCO

WNJ AUXILIARY
50TH ANNIVERSARY

GOOD THINGS IN SHERMAN

Deputy Mayor Plyler thanked the SEDCO staff and recognized the new entry program for the Fire Department. He said there are a lot of good things going on. He also thanked the Vietnam Veterans for their service, adding that he looked forward to spending Memorial Day with them again at their celebration.

**GOOD THINGS
IN SHERMAN**

THANKS TO BOY SCOUT

Council Member Johnson thanked Boy Scout Lance Johnston for attending the meeting tonight and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. He hoped attending the Council Meeting helped fulfill his merit badge requirement.

**THANKS TO
BOY SCOUT**

THANKS TO VIETNAM VETERANS

Council Member Johnson thanked the Vietnam Veterans for their service to our Country and for their hard work on the dedication of the street.

**THANKS TO
VIETNAM VETERANS**

THANKS TO CITY MANAGER

Council Member Johnson thanked Mr. Hefton for his leadership, recognizing that he was “getting his team in place.” He congratulated those that have been promoted, saying after the changes, everyone would be better for it.

**THANKS TO
CITY MANAGER**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wacker announced the following:

- The Annual Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Disposal event will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2015, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. The event will be held in the east parking lot of City Hall and citizens are asked to bring a current City water bill to provide proof of residency.

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

SECTION 551.074

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

On Motion duly made and carried, the Open Meeting recessed and reconvened in Executive Session at 6:01 p.m.

COUNCIL MINUTES – APRIL 20, 2015

OPEN MEETING

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

OPEN MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wacker said the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR

CITY CLERK