

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF GRAYSON §

March 16, 2015

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 March 16, 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.

APPROVE MINUTES

The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 2, 2015. Council Member Sofey moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Deputy Mayor Plyler. All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING

CONDUCT THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE ANNEXATION OF 7.32 ACRES OF LAND ON WEST LAMBERTH ROAD, ADJOINING THE OLD COUNTY FARM ON THE SOUTH SIDE, ADJACENT TO THE SHERMAN CITY LIMITS, AND IN THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S EXTRA TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

Mayor Wacker explained that this was the second public hearing concerning the annexation of 7.32 acres in the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction. The third public hearing and consideration of an Ordinance is scheduled for the April 6, 2015 Council Meeting.

No citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss the annexation of 7.32 acres of land on West Lamberth Road, adjoining the Old County Farm on the south side.

INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5870 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 12, ORDINANCE NO. 2280, SO AS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE R-1 (ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT AT 502 EAST CENTENNIAL STREET, BEING 0.778 ACRES IN THE SAMUEL BLAGG SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 56 (JESSE HOLT, OWNER; RUSSELL BRITT, UNITED BILT HOMES, REPRESENTATIVE; AND DATA LAND SERVICES SURVEYORS); PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

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Corey Lincoln, 4200 N. Highway 75, appeared representing United Bilt Homes as well as the property owner. The owner has lived in the home for over 20 years and the house has been there even longer. They recently found out it was not residential property. The owner would like to demolish the old house and construct a new one.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5870.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5871 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 12, ORDINANCE NO. 2280, SO AS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE R-1 (ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT IN THE 1900 BLOCK OF CREEKSIDE AVENUE, BEING 0.878 ACRES IN THE ELIZABETH JONES SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 625 AND BEING PART OF LOT 3, PARK PLAZA ADDITION (WALT DeRONDE, OWNER; GREG EDWARDS ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., ENGINEER; AND COX LAND SURVEYING COMPANY, SURVEYORS); PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER.

**ORD 5871
ZONE CHANGE
RESIDENTIAL
(1900 BLOCK OF
CREEKSIDE AVE)**

Greg Edwards, 1621 Amanda Court, Ponder, Texas, is a Civil Engineer representing Walt DeRonde. Mr. Edwards appeared to answer any questions that the City Council might have.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5871.

Mayor Wacker introduced Ordinance 5872 and called for a public hearing:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 8, SUBSECTION (5)(A), ORDINANCE NO. 2280, SO AS TO GRANT A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT TO ALLOW AUTOMOBILE SALES IN A C-1 (RETAIL BUSINESS) DISTRICT AT 1908 EAST LAMAR STREET, BEING LOT 1, BLOCK 1, EASTSIDE BUSINESS PARK (CRISTOBAL & FAVIAN MADRID, OWNERS; AND SALOMON RIVERA, APPLICANT); PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; PROVIDING THAT THIS SPECIFIC USE PERMIT SHALL BE GRANTED SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00.

**ORD 5872
SUP FOR
AUTO SALES
(1908 E. LAMAR)**

Nelson Rivera, 1908 E. Lamar, appeared representing Salomon Rivera. He was available to answer any questions that the City Council might have.

No other citizens appeared before the City Council to discuss Ordinance 5872.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 5870

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ORD 5870
ZONE CHANGE
RESIDENTIAL
(502 E. CENTENNIAL)

Ordinance 5871

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ORD 5871
ZONE CHANGE
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(1900 BLOCK OF
CREEKSIDE AVE)

Ordinance 5872

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ORD 5872
SUP FOR
AUTO SALES
(1908 E. LAMAR)

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Plyler to approve Ordinance Nos. 5870, 5871, and 5872, as presented. Second by Council Member Johnson.

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 Watt. All present voted AYE.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 5948 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH KELLY SQUARE, INC. UNDER THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT HISTORIC

RES 5948
CENTRAL BUSINESS
DISTRICT HISTORIC

**BUILDING RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENT GRANT
PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO 115 NORTH TRAVIS
STREET**

**RESTORATION GRANT
FOR KELLY SQUARE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH KELLY SQUARE, INC. UNDER THE CITY OF SHERMAN'S CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT HISTORIC BUILDING RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO 115 NORTH TRAVIS STREET.

Robert Minshew, appeared representing the request of Kelly Square, Inc. He said the incentive that the City Council offers for improvements in the Central Business District has been instrumental in the restoration of several buildings.

They received a grant for the original two balconies and they have proved to be so popular that they would like to join the balconies by "filling in" the 21 foot gap. This will result in a 42 foot single balcony that can be used by more people. Mr. Minshew added that the sign will also be moved up about six feet so the marquee can be read.

Mayor Wacker verified that the request is for approximately \$3,400. Council Member Watt also verified that it would be a major re-engineering project. Mr. Minshew said Tim Morris will be providing the engineering.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Steele to approve Resolution No. 5948, as presented. Second by Council Member Watt.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5949 – AWARDING A BID TO AND
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH GLOVER
MOWING & LANDSCAPING COMPANY FOR THE 2015 CITY
PARKS AND GROUNDS FINISH MOWING CONTRACT**

**RES 5949
FINISH MOWING
ANNUAL CONTRACT**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AWARDING A BID TO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH GLOVER MOWING & LANDSCAPING COMPANY FOR THE 2015 CITY PARKS AND GROUNDS FINISH MOWING CONTRACT.

Don Keene, Director of Community and Support Services, explained that several weeks ago, bids were accepted for the parks and grounds finish mowing contract. Three identical bids were received for \$47 per acre mowed. The bids were rejected and several bid requirements were added to the specifications. Items were clarified and the City re-advertised for bids.

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Mr. Keene said five bids were received this time with the low bid being \$35 per acre mowed. This is more than a 25% cost savings to the City from the original bids.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Sofey to approve Resolution No. 5949, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Plyler.
VOTING AYE: Davis, Johnson, Plyler, Sofey, Steele, Watt.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 5950 – AWARDING A BID TO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH AMX PREMIUM CLEANING SERVICES, LLC FOR THE 2015 CITY PARKS AND GROUNDS RESTROOM CLEANING CONTRACT
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AWARDING A BID TO AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH AMX PREMIUM CLEANING SERVICES, LLC FOR THE 2015 CITY PARKS AND GROUNDS RESTROOM CLEANING CONTRACT.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5950
CLEANING SERVICES
ANNUAL CONTRACT
FOR PARK
RESTROOMS

RESOLUTION NO. 5951 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TOBAR PROPERTIES, LLC FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 521 EAST PACIFIC STREET
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TOBAR PROPERTIES, LLC FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 521 EAST PACIFIC STREET.
CONSENT AGENDA.

RES 5951
RESIDENTIAL TAX
ABATEMENT
(521 E. PACIFIC)

OTHER BUSINESS

ACCEPT ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 FROM ADAMI, LINDSEY AND COMPANY, L.L.P.

ANNUAL AUDIT
REPORT

Brian Grisham, Audit Manager, Adami Lindsey and Company, presented the Annual Audit Report. He said the Audit allows the City to demonstrate its accountability to the public and contains information about their financial condition and shows that their resources were used in accordance with legal and contractual requirements.

He added that a draft of the Financial Report was previously reviewed with the Audit Committee and with management and the independent auditors.

The Financial Report contains three sections, the introductory section, the financial section, and a statistical section. The introductory section includes letters of transmittal from management and a general profile and information about the City.

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The financial section includes the independent auditor's report, management's discussion and analysis, which is a narrative discussion of the financial statement presentation, condensed financial information, and an analysis and highlights of the City's financial activities during the past year. It also includes the City's basic financial statements.

The notes section provides detailed information about the City's accounting policies and information about specific assets and liabilities, including commitments and pension obligations.

The statistical section provides operational, economical, and historical data for the City on a multiyear basis to provide a context for assessing the City's economic condition over a period of time.

Based on the procedures performed, Adami Lindsey and Company has issued an unmodified or clean opinion on the City's financial statements. That means that the financial statements are free of material misstatements and properly present the City's financial position and results of operation for the 2014 fiscal year.

They also issued a second report on internal controls and compliance, which is required when an entity accepts grants from the state or federal government. There were no matters involving internal control or compliance that they would be required to report.

Mr. Grisham said the financial statements show that the City is in good financial condition and the books and records are maintained in good order. He also thanked Mary Lawrence, Finance Director, and her staff, as well as other staff members that provided information during the Audit.

Mayor Wacker said Deputy Mayor Plyler and Council Members Johnson and Davis served on the Audit Committee and she thanked them for serving. She added that she was proud of the City's financial transparency. She also thanked Adami Lindsey and Company for performing the Audit.

Deputy Mayor Plyler said the committee went through the Audit in detail and found that everything was in order and, once again, the City staff did an excellent job.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Johnson to accept the Annual Audit Report for the year ended September 30, 2014, as presented. Second by Council Member Davis.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSIDER JOSHUA LOE’S REQUEST TO BAN SMOKING IN RESTAURANTS AND BARS LOCATED WITHIN SHERMAN’S CITY LIMITS

SMOKING BAN IN RESTAURANTS & BARS

Joshua Loe appeared before the City Council to request a ban on smoking in restaurants and bars located within Sherman’s City limits. He has noticed major growth in North Texas and would like to see that in Sherman. Smoking and second hand smoke are bad for our health and he said we now have the ability to effect positive change for the community.

There are comprehensive smoking bans in place in 29 states across the nation. Smoking has been banned in Dallas for over a decade and the majority of the “high growth” cities in North Texas do have smoking bans.

Mr. Loe said he has spoken with many people, including managers and wait staff in bars, and they are in support of a smoking ban because they live and work in that environment. He said even smokers say they would like to ban smoking in bars and restaurants and wouldn’t mind going outside to smoke.

Mr. Loe said if the City Council wanted a growth oriented, progressive community, they needed to pass the smoking ban. He urged Council Members to take action on his request and to ask their friends, as well as their children, what they think.

Mayor Wacker said the Council has not formally taken up the issue, but she has received a number of emails and telephone calls on the issue. She said the Council could make comments, but there was nothing specific to consider at tonight’s meeting. She said the Council could direct the staff to bring back some options for consideration.

Council Member Watt said he was in favor of the ban because it is a health issue. He said he would be in favor of moving forward with an ordinance to ban smoking in restaurants and bars.

Council Member Johnson asked Mr. Loe if he was proposing an “outright ban on everything” or some exceptions. Mr. Loe said he proposed a ban on smoking in bars and restaurants. He was okay with smoking outside or in a business such as a cigar shop or a hookah bar. He felt the concern was to eat and drink in a smoke-free environment.

Mr. Loe said he did not feel a ban on smoking would affect any bar’s bottom line and said he knew one bar owner that was in support of the ban, but would not do it himself. He didn’t want to make his customers mad, but if he could blame it on the City, he would enforce it. He reiterated that 29 states have smoking bans.

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Council Member Davis confirmed that there are local restaurants that have a no smoking policy and citizens could eat in those if they didn't want to eat where smoking was allowed. He said that in the restaurants and bars that have smoking, the owners want to allow smoking, the patrons want to eat there, and the employees want to work there. If they don't want to work there, they can work at a location that does have the ban in place. Mr. Loe said those places do not pay as well as the popular places that do have smoking.

Council Member Davis said the employees choose to work in a bar to make more money, even though they allow smoking. He felt if a business owner was losing business, he would change his business plan himself.

Mayor Wacker said she felt a smoking ban was worth considering. Many of Sherman's peer cities, especially the high-growth cities to the south have moved in this direction. She would like to direct the staff to look at some options and bring those back for further consideration.

Council Member Davis asked to receive some actual input from business owners and not just general statements to the fact that "second-hand smoke is bad." He expressed concern about deciding for business owners how they should run their business and what would be best for them. They are currently free to change their policy if they feel it would be best for them. He was hesitant to tell them what to do.

Council Member Sofey said the State of Texas is also currently looking at legislation to do similar things and he recommended looking at that and what other peer cities are doing. He said he has also talked with two of the more popular places and received no negative feedback. He felt it would still be good to confirm that from owners of the restaurants and bars.

Council Member Watt asked Robby Hefton, Deputy City Manager, if he would be able to contact those businesses, and asked how it would be brought back to the Council.

Mr. Hefton said the staff could review what other cities have done, looking at their ordinance, how it was instigated, as well as enforcement issues. He said it would also be easier to speak with local owners rather than the national corporations that are restaurant owners. The staff could get feedback from local owners about how a smoking ban would affect their business and whether or not they are in favor of a ban.

Mr. Loe said LaMesa did ban smoking and he urged the Council to ask them how it affected their business. Mayor Wacker said several local restaurants have banned smoking

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with positive results. Smoking is a known public health issue and there is plenty of data to use in consideration of a smoking ban.

Council Member Davis said the Council could also invite local restaurant and bar owners to come and speak to the Council about the issue. Council Member Watt agreed with hearing from business owners. He felt the public health issue should definitely be considered.

Council Member Johnson said if the Council does decide to consider the issue, he would like to see a ban with some exceptions, and not just an outright ban. He felt a framework should be developed and any exceptions should be considered at that time.

Council Member Plyler felt the less intrusive that they can make government into local businesses, the better it would be. He felt there was a middle ground, but he would like to know about what the State of Texas is doing. He asked the staff to review and evaluate the new Senate bill.

Mr. Hefton said he could envision a work session on the issue, especially since the Council was talking about bringing in restaurant and bar owners. He felt it would be a good idea to hear from the local businesses. He said the staff will come back to the Council with some recommendations and reports, but the issues may also require a work session prior to bringing back local legislation to address the issue.

Council Member Sofey said the state may implement something in June 2015. Council Member Johnson felt a work session would be a good idea.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2015-2016

BUDGET CALENDAR

Mayor Wacker presented the proposed Budget Calendar for FY 2015-2016. She said she would be out of town on April 17, 2015, the proposed day for the Budget Planning Meeting.

Mr. Hefton said there is some flexibility in the dates, but the meeting needs to be held in April. Council Members decided to hold the Budget Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Council Member Watt has other plans on June 18 and June 19, 2015, the proposed days for the Budget Workshop. Council Members decided to hold the Budget Workshop on June 25, 2015 and June 26, 2015, if a second day is needed.

ACTION TAKEN.

Motion by Council Member Watt to approve the Annual Budget Calendar, changing the date for the Budget Planning Meeting to April 21, 2015 and the dates for the

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Budget Workshop to June 25 and 26, 2015. Second by Council Member Johnson.

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

VOTING NAY: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSIDER REQUEST OF THE 2015 EARTH DAY PLANNING COMMITTEE TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE CERTAIN STREETS FOR THE "7TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY FESTIVAL" ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015

The City Council approved the request of the 2015 Earth Day Planning Committee to temporarily close certain streets for the 7th Annual Earth Day Festival on April 25, 2015.

The event will be held on the Municipal Building Grounds from 7:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Council Members authorized the street closures, utilization of the Municipal Grounds, and City resources to accommodate the event.

CONSENT AGENDA.

CLOSE STREETS FOR
EARTH DAY FESTIVAL
(APRIL 25, 2015)

REPLAT APPROVAL OF AUSTIN LANDING, PHASE ONE, BLOCK F, LOT 13; BEING 2.960 ACRES IN THE ALEXANDER & RICHARDS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 42, ALSO BEING LOT 13, BLOCK F, AUSTIN LANDING ADDITION, PHASE ONE; STONEHOLLOW HOMES, OWNERS; AND WESTWOOD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, SURVEYOR (5100 NORTH TRAVIS STREET)

The City Council approved the Replat of Austin Landing, Phase One, Block F, Lot 13, which consists of 2.960 acres located at 5100 N. Travis Street, between Liberty Hill Trail and Kreager Road. The owners would like to replat one commercial lot to develop a road (Wisteria Lane) to the Austin Landing Phase 2A development.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Replat, subject to the Staff Review Letter.

CONSENT AGENDA.

APPROVE REPLAT
AUSTIN LANDING,
PHASE ONE
(5100 N. TRAVIS ST)

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF AUSTIN LANDING, PHASE 2A; BEING 26.983 ACRES IN THE ALEXANDER & RICHARDS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 42; STONEHOLLOW HOMES, OWNERS; AND WESTWOOD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, SURVEYOR (4600-5300 BLOCKS OF NORTH TRAVIS STREET)

The City Council approved the Final Plat of Austin Landing, Phase 2A, which consists of 26.983 acres located in the 4600 to 5300 blocks of N. Travis Street, between North Creek Drive and Kreager Road. The owners would like to plat the property into 70 lots for residential development.

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

CONSENT AGENDA.

APPROVE FINAL PLAT
AUSTIN LANDING,
PHASE 2A
(4600-5300 BLOCKS
OF N. TRAVIS ST)

REPLAT APPROVAL OF LOTS 3 & 4, PARK PLAZA ADDITION; BEING 1.860 ACRES IN THE ELIZABETH JONES SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 625; ALSO BEING ALL OF LOTS 3 & 4, PARK PLAZA ADDITION; WALT DeRONDE, OWNER; GREG EDWARDS ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., ENGINEER; AND COX LAND SURVEYING COMPANY, SURVEYOR (1900 BLOCK OF CREEKSIDE AVENUE AND 3700 BLOCK OF WEST PARK AVENUE

The City Council approved the Replat of Lots 3 and 4, Park Plaza Addition, which consists of 1.860 acres located in the 1900 block of Creekside Avenue and the 3700 block of W. Park Avenue. The owner would like to replat the property into five lots for residential development.

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

REPLAT APPROVAL OF AMERISTATE BANK ADDITION, A REPLAT OF PART OF LOT 4, BLOCK 1, DR. J.H. CARRAWAY'S SUBDIVISION AND A REPLAT OF THE REPLAT OF LOT 3, BLOCK 1 AND A REPLAT OF AMERISTATE CENTRAL PLAZA; BEING 8.633 ACRES IN THE J.B. McANAIR SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 763 AND PART OF LOT 4, BLOCK 1, OF DR. J.H. CARRAWAY'S SUBDIVISION AND ALSO BEING ALL OF LOT 2 OF THE REPLAT OF LOT 3, BLOCK 1, DR. J.H. CARRAWAY'S SUBDIVISION, AND LOTS 1 & 2, AMERISTATE CENTRAL PLAZA, A REPLAT OF LOTS 1 & 2, BLOCK 1, DR. J.H. CARRAWAY'S SUBDIVISION; AMERISTATE BANK, OWNERS; VILBIG & ASSOCIATES, PLLC, ENGINEER; AND HELVEY & ASSOCIATES SURVEYING, INC., SURVEYOR (700 BLOCK OF EAST LAMBERTH ROAD, 2500 BLOCK OF MASTERS STREET, AND 2400-2500 BLOCKS OF LOY LAKE ROAD)

The City Council approved the Replat of the Ameristate Bank Addition, which consists of 8.633 acres located in the 700 block of E. Lamberth Road, the 2500 block of Masters Street, and the 2400 to 2500 blocks of Loy Lake Road, between Lamberth Road and Peyton Street. The owners would like to replat the property into six lots for commercial development.

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

CITIZENS REQUESTS
RENAME F.M. 1417

Nancy Knapp, Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 973, Project Chairman, appeared to ask the City Council to rename a portion of F.M. Highway 1417 "Vietnam Veterans Parkway."

She asked to be listed on the City Council Agenda for April 20, 2015 for discussion of the request. Mayor Wacker asked

APPROVE REPLAT
PARK
PLAZA ADDITION
(1900 BLOCK OF
CREEKSIDE AVE &
3700 BLOCK OF W.
PARK AVE)

APPROVE REPLAT
AMERISTATE BANK
ADDITION
(2400-2500 BLOCKS
OF LOY LAKE RD)

RENAME FM 1417

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to have City staff work with Ms. Knapp to add her request to the Agenda. Ms. Knapp said she has approximately 300 signatures to present to the City Council in favor of the request.

BAN ON SMOKING IN RESTAURANTS AND BARS

Brandon Shelby, City Attorney, said he was contacted by a citizen that is physically unable to attend the City Council Meeting, but asked that a letter he submitted be added to the Minutes.

The letter from Alton “Sparky” Cox, 1417 N. Wharton, concerning the proposed ban on smoking in restaurants and bars, is attached to these Minutes.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

There were no media questions.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ICY WEATHER

Council Member Steele said the recent icy weather caused a lot of potholes that need to be repaired. He thanked the staff for their hard work during the icy weather.

ANNUAL AUDIT

Council Member Watt thanked Mr. Hefton and the Finance Department for keeping the City of Sherman finances sound and he praised them for the good Audit Report.

DOWNTOWN HISTORICAL RESTORATION GRANT

Council Member Sofey praised the Downtown Historical Restoration Grant Program and asked Mr. Minshew how many businesses were included in Kelly Square.

Mr. Minshew said there were approximately seven businesses in Kelly Square and about 50 employees.

Mr. Sofey said Kelly Square has been an anchor in downtown Sherman since the early 1980s and they continue to renovate the area. There has been about \$1 million in private money spent this year in the downtown area and he felt the Downtown Historical Restoration Grant Program was a driving factor.

ANNUAL AUDIT

Council Member Johnson congratulated Ms. Lawrence, Mr. Hefton, and the City staff on the Annual Audit. This is his third year to serve on the Council Audit Committee and the City has a great staff. He also recognized Adami Lindsey and Company for their work on the Audit.

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Council Member Johnson referenced items listed on the Consent Agenda, saying great things are happening on the

BAN ON SMOKING IN RESTAURANTS & BARS

MEDIA QUESTIONS

ICY WEATHER

ANNUAL AUDIT

DOWNTOWN HISTORICAL RESTORATION GRANT

ANNUAL AUDIT

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Consent Agenda and the City continues to move forward with residential and commercial development. He felt that was a good sign for the economy and for Sherman citizens.

ANNUAL AUDIT

Council Member Davis said it is comforting to know that the City's financial staff is "on top of things" and he congratulated them on a smooth Audit.

ANNUAL AUDIT

FIRE DEPARTMENT AMBULANCE ON DISPLAY

Council Member Davis reminded citizens and staff that Medic 83 was outside City Hall and available to tour. Mayor Wacker invited everyone outside to the new ambulance, which will be located at the Pecan Grove Park Fire Station.

FIRE DEPT.
AMBULANCE
ON DISPLAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wacker announced the following:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Sherman Symphony rescheduled their concert for February 28 to March 20, 2015, due to bad weather. Tickets purchased for the original date will be honored and there are additional tickets available for the concert, which will be held at Kidd-Key Auditorium.
- The Parks and Recreation Department has many programs available including the Flashlight Egg Hunt at Pecan Grove Park West, beginning at 8:30 p.m. on March 27, 2015.
- The traditional Eggstravaganza will be held at Pecan Grove Park West on March 28, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.
- The Splash will open on May 23, 2015. Pool passes are on sale and reservations can now be made. The schedules for swim lessons are also posted and citizens should check the website for information.

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR

CITY CLERK