STATE OF TEXAS §

February 4, 2013

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 February 4, 2013.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR CARY WACKER; DEPUTY MAYOR PAM HOWETH. COUNCIL MEMBERS JOHNSON, PLYLER, SOFEY, SOFTLY.

MEMBERS ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH.

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVE MINUTES

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The Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 21, 2013. Deputy Mayor Howeth moved to approve the Minutes as presented; Second by Council Member Plyler. All present voted AYE.
MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 5739 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH LANDMARK BANK

RES 5739 DEPOSITORY CONTRACT

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH LANDMARK BANK.

Robby Hefton, Assistant City Manager/CFO, introduced Scott Hailey, Landmark Bank President, and Sam Henry, Vice President.

He explained that the City has been with Landmark Bank for several years but the contract has expired. This resolution will extend the contract. Mr. Hefton said Landmark Bank has done an excellent job for the City and has provided services that haven't previously been provided and did so free of charge. The staff recommended renewal of the annual contract.

Mr. Henry said Landmark Bank appreciates the opportunity they have had over the last five years to serve as the City's depository and look forward to continuing that relationship.

ACTION TAKEN.
Motion by Council Member Softly to approve Resolution No. 5739, as presented. Second by Deputy Mayor Howeth.
VOTING AYE: Howeth, Johnson, Plyler, Sofey, Softly.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

THANKS TO GUESTS

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Mayor Wacker recognized several guests in the audience that were representing Consolidated Container. She thanked them for attending.

RESOLUTION NO. 5740 – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MARIO TOBAR FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1912 EAST ALMA

RES 5740 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT (1912 E. ALMA)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MARIO TOBAR FOR THE ABATEMENT OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 1912 EAST ALMA AVENUE.
CONSENT AGENDA.

REQUEST TO ADVERTISE WATER METERS

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The City Council approved the request to advertise for the purchase of water meters for the Automated Meter Reading System. Water meters ranging in size from 5/8" to 2" must be purchased and must be compatible with the ITRON MVRS Automated Meter Reading System.
CONSENT AGENDA.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT HEADWORKS EAST BAR SCREEN REPLACEMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WWTP BAR SCREEN REPLACEMENT

The City Council approved the request to advertise for bids for the Headworks East Bar Screen Replacement Improvements Project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The current Capital Improvement Program contains a project for these improvements, which will be funded through bonds issued by the Greater Texoma Utility Authority on behalf of the City.
CONSENT AGENDA.

OTHER BUSINESS

RECEIVE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR DON KEENE'S UPDATE ON THE FIELDER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PILOT PROJECT

FIELDER PARK REVITALIZATION PILOT PROJECT

Don Keene, Public Works Director, presented an update on the Fielder Park Neighborhood Revitalization Pilot Project. After completion, the Council can determine whether or not the project was effective and determine if they want to consider other projects, which would be dependent on the availability of funding.

Neighborhood revitalization was an integral part of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan and its goal is to improve the quality of life and elevate the viability of the neighborhood. In the Master Plan, this goal was to include leverage of private reinvestment, was to be anchored by a vibrant neighborhood park, was to be funded annually by a dedicated source, and was to promote and leverage teamwork within the community.

Mr. Keene added that at the present time, there is no dedicated source of funding specifically for these types of projects. The Council chose to fund this project in the City's 2013 Capital Improvement Program.

The pilot program has been a team effort between the Parks and Recreation Department, the Public Works Department, Neighborhood Services, Code Enforcement, and local churches through the Great Days of Service.

The area of the project surrounds Fielder Park and includes an area bordered to the north by Pecan Street, to the east by Grand Avenue, to the south by Houston Street, and to the west by Throckmorton Street.

Improvements for the program include home repair assistance through Great Days of Service, and park and street improvements through the City. Park improvements will include sidewalk replacement and the addition of a portion of sidewalk to allow for walking around the entire park, bench replacement, gazebo improvements, basketball court replacement, a new playground, new lighting, and a new drinking fountain. The streets will be sealcoated, curbs will be repaired, and new street signs will be installed.

Total budgeted cost of the project is $287,575 and Mr. Keene said the actual costs should be well under budget. The estimated completion date will be by the first of June 2013.

The playground equipment has been purchased and bids are being taken on the other items. Kevin Winkler, Parks and Community Service Director, was able to secure a matching grant for the playground equipment. Therefore the City will recognize a 50% savings and will get $70,000 worth of equipment for a cost of $35,000.

Mr. Keene said the staff is looking forward to completion of the project and the benefit it will bring to the citizens. Ongoing park planning efforts will identify candidates for similar projects in the future and where the City wants to go with the parks system as a whole.

If the City Council chooses to look at other similar projects in the future and if funds are available, this planning process will help determine potential candidates for the projects.

Mayor Wacker said the Council is really pleased with the project and thanked the staff for their work. She said they look forward to next year and as projects are completed throughout the City, citizens will appreciate what they see in their neighborhoods. She added that it builds pride in the community.

QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORTS

APPROVE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORTS FOR PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012

The City Council approved the Quarterly Investment Reports for the period ending December 31, 2012 and includes the Operating portfolio and the CO Debt Proceeds portfolio. As of December 31, 2012, both portfolios were in compliance with applicable State laws and the City's Investment Policy.

The Operating portfolio had a book value of about $20.2 million, and is appropriately liquid. Its weighted-average maturity increased to about 256 days, down from 307 days last period, because of maturing securities during the quarter. The portfolio yield of 0.36% for the quarter is higher than the benchmark yield of 0.11%. The portfolio value on the City's books is essentially equal to the market value of the overall portfolio.

The CO Debt Proceeds portfolio balance of about $59,000 is essentially unchanged from the previous quarter. The portfolio remains adequately liquid, with all funds available within one day. Its yield of 0.17% for the quarter was higher than the benchmark yield of 0.11%. The portfolio value on the City's books is equal to the market value of the overall portfolio.
CONSENT AGENDA.

SITE PLAN APPROVAL CONSOLIDATED CONTAINER PARKING LOT (4201 HWY 75 SOUTH)

SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR GK TRI-TEXAS LLC, OWNER; CONSOLIDATED CONTAINER COMPANY, L.L.C., TENANT; LIGHT & WOOTEN, GENERAL CONTRACTORS; AND JARED LIGHT, REPRESENTATIVE, UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 2252, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 410(2)(J) FOR AN ADDITIONAL TRAILER PARKING LOT FOR CONSOLIDATED CONTAINER IN THE BLALOCK INDUSTRIAL PARK DISTRICT AT 4201 U.S. HIGHWAY 75 SOUTH

The City Council approved the site plan for GK TRI-TEXAS LLC, for an additional trailer parking lot for Consolidated Container Company in the Blalock Industrial Park at 4201 U.S. Highway 75 South.

The project includes the construction of a 125' x 200' parking lot to accommodate 24 trailers. The new lot will be located east of the existing trailer parking lot.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the site plan.
CONSENT AGENDA.

SITE PLAN APPROVAL CONSOLIDATED

SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR GK TRI-TEXAS LLC, OWNER; CONSOLIDATED CONTAINER COMPANY, L.L.C., TENANT;

LIGHT & WOOTEN CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL CONTRACTORS; AND JARED LIGHT, REPRESENTATIVE; UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 2252, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 410(2)(J) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR ADDITIONAL TRUCK LOADING DOCKS FOR CONSOLIDATED CONTAINER IN THE BLALOCK INDUSTRIAL PARK DISTRICT AT 4201 U.S. HIGHWAY 75 SOUTH

CONTAINER LOADING DOCKS (4201 HWY 75 SOUTH)

The City Council approved the site plan for GK TRI-TEXAS LLC, for the construction of four additional truck loading docks for Consolidated Container Company in the Blalock Industrial Park at 4201 U.S. Highway 75 South.

The project includes the construction of a 14' x 48' building to the north side of the existing building to house four additional truck loading docks. The exterior will be brick veneer.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the site plan.
CONSENT AGENDA.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

CITIZEN'S REQUESTS

There were no citizen's requests.

MEDIA QUESTIONS

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There were no media questions.

APPOINT/REMOVE OR CONSIDER QUALIFICATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (1)

GTUA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ACTION TAKEN.

> **Motion by Council Member Plyler to reappoint David Sprowl to the Greater Texoma Utility Authority Board of Directors for a term from December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2014. Second by Council Member Softly.**

VOTING AYE: Howeth, Johnson, Plyler, Sofey, Softly.
VOTING NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROJECT

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Council Member Sofey commended the City staff for their work with the Neighborhood Revitalization Project. The agenda also included a residential tax abatement for new construction. These are important programs to encourage infill development.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Mayor Wacker said a new item for the agenda will be announcements where key information is shared that might be important to citizens.

She added that the Mulberry Street Underpass will be closed February 5 through February 8, 2013 to allow for repairs on the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. Traffic will be

detoured to other east – west roadways for safety reasons. Alternate routes include Brockett Street, Pecan Street, or Lamar Street toward the east or Houston Street toward the west.

ADJOURNMENT

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On Motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK