MINUTES OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor DeFever at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Lance DeFever Mayor
Paul Searl Commissioner
Brian Doughty Commissioner
Jimmy Keough Commissioner
Jimmy Reed Commissioner

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Shane Stokes City Manager
Barbara Stucker City Secretary
Bryan Guymon City Attorney
Theresa Daniels Finance Director
Dustin Miller Community Services Director
Kasey Presson Fire Chief
Gary Turley Public Works Director
Lance Richburg Chief of Police
Kevin Webb Information Technology
Jason Roberts Fire Marshall
Cary Rushing Building Official
Jasmine Chaney Assistant Finance Director
Kenneth Hopson Assistant Police Chief
Troy Schwiegerath Emergency Management
Kimberlee Hughes Administrative Assistant
Troy Schwiegerath Emergency Management
Mike Day Assistant Fire Chief
Leroy Cox Assistant Fire Chief

VISITORS: Cortnie Patterson Peggy C. Miller
Dale Garner Phillip Garner
Dinah Reed Pat Stucker
Beverly Corbitt Rebecca Corbitt
Victoria Corbitt Palmer Stucker

NEWS MEDIA: Laura Bonnett Pampa News

INVOCATION: Jimmy Keough, Commissioner

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

RECOGNITION: City Manager Shane Stokes commended Charlee Stucker for her 5 months of service to the City of Pampa as an Infants at Work participant.

DISCUSSION:

- 2023-2024 Budget & Tax Rate—Theresa Daniels, Finance Director, led a comprehensive discussion on the Proposed Budget & Tax Rate.

AUTHORIZED BY CITY COMMISSION:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the August 14, 2023, Public Hearing and Regular Commission Meeting.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2023, Regular Commission Meeting as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Keough to approve the List of Disbursements dated July 2023 as presented. With each Commissioner Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

3. Consider adopting Resolution No. R23-019, a Resolution by the City Commission to evidence the City Commission's intention to adopt a Tax Rate of $0.76 per $100.00 of valuation on taxable property to fund the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

RESOLUTION NO. R23-019
A RESOLUTION TO EVIDENCE THE CITY COMMISSION'S INTENTION TO ADOPT A TAX RATE OF $0.76 PER $100.00 OF VALUATION ON TAXABLE PROPERTY TO FUND THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR; AND SETTING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY THE CITY COMMISSION ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Searl to adopt Resolution No R23-019 as presented. With all commission members voting AYE, the motion carries.

4. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1787, amending solid waste disposal rates for residential and other customers within and outside the corporate limits of the City of Pampa.

ORDINANCE NO. 1787
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, BE AMENDED BY REVISIONING CHAPTER 6, SECTION 6.05.010, PROVIDING FOR RATES FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FOR RESIDENTIAL AND OTHER CUSTOMERS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, RESPECTIVELY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Doughty and seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 1787 as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

5. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1788 amending the sewer rates to be charged for sewer service within and outside the corporate limits of the City of Pampa.

ORDINANCE NO. 1788
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED BY REVISIONING SECTION 13.03.002 OF SAID CODE PROVIDING FOR THE MONTHLY RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR SEWER SERVICE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reed and seconded by Commissioner Searl to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 1788 as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

6. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1789 amending the monthly water rates to be charged for water within and outside the corporate limits of the City of Pampa.

ORDINANCE NO 1789
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED BY REVISIONING CHAPTER 13, SECTIONS 13.02.038 AND 13.02.039 OF SAID CODE PROVIDING FOR THE MONTHLY RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR WATER WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS
OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, RESPECTIVELY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 1789 as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

7. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1790, amending tonnage fees at the City of Pampa’s Landfill.

ORDINANCE NO. 1790

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, BE AMENDED BY REVISION SECTION 6.06.004 OF SAID CODE PROVIDING FOR FEES TO BE CHARGED AT THE CITY’S SANITARY LANDFILL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Searl and seconded by Commissioner Reed to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 1790 as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries

8. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1791, approving a negotiated settlement between the Executive Committee of Cities served by Atmos West Texas and Atmos Energy Corporation, West Texas Division regarding the company’s 2023 Rate Review Mechanism filing.

ORDINANCE NO. 1791

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAMPA TEXAS, APPROVING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ATMOS WEST TEXAS (“CITIES”) AND ATMOS ENERGY CORP., WEST TEXAS DIVISION REGARDING THE COMPANY’S 2023 RATE REVIEW MECHANISM FILING; DECLARING EXISTING RATES TO BE UNREASONABLE; ADOPTING TARIFFS THAT REFLECT RATE ADJUSTMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT; FINDING THE RATES TO BE SET BY THE ATTACHED SETTLEMENT TARIFFS TO BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST; APPROVING AN ATTACHMENT ESTABLISHING A BENCHMARK FOR PENSIONS AND RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS; APPROVING AN ATTACHMENT REGARDING AMORTIZATION OF REGULATORY LIABILITY; REQUIRING THE COMPANY TO REIMBURSE CITIES’ REASONABLE RATEMAKING EXPENSES; DETERMINING THAT THIS ORDINANCE WAS PASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND THE CITIES’ LEGAL COUNSEL.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Reed and seconded by Commissioner Searl to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 1790 as presented. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

9. CONSENT AGENDA: All Consent Agenda items are considered routine in nature by the Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a commissioner requests, in which event, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.

   a. Consider awarding bid to Alejandra Soriano in the amount of $1,000.00 for the delinquent tax property located at Lots 9-11, Block 2, Cohen Second, commonly known as, 419 Harlem & Lot on Harlem.
b. Consider awarding bid to Trilek Properties, LLC in the amount of $1,000.00 for delinquent tax property located at Lot 11, Block 5, Finley Banks, commonly known as 941 S. Nelson.

c. Consider awarding bid to Trilek Properties, LLC in the amount of $1,100.00 for delinquent tax property located at Lot 5 Block 7, Original Town, commonly known as 109 S. Gillespie.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Keough and seconded by Commissioner Doughty to approve Consent Agenda items A through C. With each Commission Member voting AYE, the motion carries.

ADJOURNED:

With no further items remaining on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m. by Mayor DeFever.

Barbara Stucker, City Secretary  Lance DeFever, Mayor