



**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

October 1, 2019

On October 1, 2019, a work session meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 5:00 p.m., in the fifth floor conference room, City Hall, 411 West 8th Street, Odessa, Texas.

City Council present: Mayor David R. Turner; Council members: Detra White, District Three; Tom Sprawls, District Four; and Peggy Dean, At-Large.

City Council absent: Council members Malcolm Hamilton, District One; Dewey Bryant, District Two; and Mari Willis, District Five.

Others present: Michael Marrero, City Manager; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Natasha Brooks, City Attorney; and other members of City staff.

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were held:

Council member Sprawls gave the invocation.

Contract renewal with Credit System International. Mr. Marrero stated that this was a contract renewal for collection services.

Renewal of ESRI contract for \$188,746. Eddie Landrum, Geographic Information Officer, stated that the renewal was with ESRI for a three-year contract renewal. There were no changes to the contract.

Contract renewal for benefits claims administration software maintenance. Delia Ortiz, Benefits Supervisor, stated that the contract renewal was for the medical and dental claims. Upgrades were included for any changes in regulatory guidelines. The contract was for \$12,000.

Donation from Occidental Petroleum to Odessa Fire Rescue. John Alvarez, Fire Chief, stated that the donation from Occidental was for \$20,000 to be used for forcible entry door training.

Donation from Occidental Petroleum to Odessa Police Department. Mike Gerke, Police Chief, stated that the donation from Occidental was for \$15,000 to purchase training aids.

Emergency Law Enforcement Grant to cover 8-31-19 event. Chief Gerke stated that a grant would reimburse the City for the events of August 31. It included reimbursement for damaged equipment and overtime personnel costs. The grant total was \$142,591 from Fire Rescue and the Police Department costs.

Contract renewal for liquid aluminum sulfate for Water Treat Plant. JoAnn Samaniego, Director of Purchasing, stated that the chemical renewal had no price change.

Contract renewal for liquid ammonium sulfate for Water Treat Plant. Mrs. Samaniego stated that there was no change in the price for the chemical.

Annual supply contract for purchase of irrigation supplies. Mrs. Samaniego stated that the contract was for the same price to purchase irrigation parts.

Request of Kaige Properties for change of original zoning. Randy Brinlee, Director of Planning, stated that the lot was 8 ½ acres that was used for oil field service. There were no issues.

Request of Temple Baptist Church for change of original zoning. Mr. Brinlee stated that there were various zoning and rezoning. The area would transition from multi-family, to single-family town homes. The 56th Street would have accommodations for the zoning.

Amend Chapter 4, Article 4-8, Division 2, and Section 4-8-41 – Secondhand Goods. Dan Jones, Senior Assistant City Attorney, stated that the City does not regulate secondhand goods if it was within a pawnshop. It was regulated and licensed by the State. The amendment would line up with the law and exclude pawnshops.

Amend code to reflect codification and amendments made in April 2019. Monique Wimberly, Assistant City Attorney, reported that the amendments were housekeeping and updated with the proper citations.

Conveyance of City's interest in tax delinquent property located at 301 Fitch St. Ms. Brooks stated that the property was a bankruptcy tax sale. The sale was for \$17,000, less than the \$92,833 appraised value. It was an old church building. The land was valued at \$9,968 but had \$35,500 in back taxes. The sale would be split between the five taxing entities.

Amend Health and Sanitation Ordinance and support an application by NL Industries. Atasi Bhavsar, First Assistant City Attorney, explained the Municipal Setting Designation. The ordinance would prohibit the use of potable water for the two locations. The site was an oil field service in the 1970s and has been under remediation of the contamination for 30 years. The City support was needed for the owner to apply for an MSD certification. She explained the situation. A public meeting was held and reviewed the concerns. Most of citizens concerns were if the contamination would affect the water source, which it did not. There were monitoring wells in place and there was little contamination left on the ground. It did not affect Monahans Draw or affected personal water wells. NL Industries would continue to monitor. There were six other Municipal Setting Designations sites in the city. Staff reviewed the request and there was no concerns.

Consider a bid for sale of 418 N. Grant for \$20,000. Mr. Marrero stated that the bidders did not like the sliding scale for the reverter clause. They would be asking for a façade and infrastructure grant. Discussion was held on their investment and the grants. There was a concern on the grants being a part of their \$450,000 investment. The Council had a consensus of selling the property for \$80,000, remove the pay back restrictions, a \$450,000 investment of their own money, and the City buy back the property at the sale cost if not open in a year.

Recess for Executive Session: As authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), the City Council may adjourn into executive session to consider pending or contemplated litigation. Motion was made by Council member Sprawls and seconded by Council member White to go into executive session under 551.071. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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Aye: Turner, White, Sprawls, and Dean
Nay: None

Upon returning from executive session, no action was taken. There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

David R. Turner
Mayor