On November 22, 2011, a regular meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 5th Floor, City Hall, 411 West 8th Street, Odessa, Texas.

Members present: Mayor Larry L. Melton; Council members; Bill Cleaver, District One; James B. Goates, District Two; Barbara Graff, District Three; and Dean Combs, District Four.

Member absent: Council member Sandra Carrasco, District Five.

Others present: Larry Long, City Attorney; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; James Zentner, Assistant City Manager; Michael Marrero, Assistant City Manager; other members of City staff; and members of the news media.

A quorum being present, Mayor Melton called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were held:

The invocation was given by Mayor Melton and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. Joint City Council Minutes, November 7, 2011;
B. City Council Minutes, November 8, 2011;
C. Bid award to Sewell Ford, Inc. in the amount of $84,080 for automotive trucks;
D. Ordinance No. 2011-41 - Request of Odessa College, owner, LCA, agent, to rezone from Light Commercial (LC) to University (U) Lot 1, Block 1 and Lot 1, Block 2, Barton and approximately 1.26 ac. in Section 21, Block 42, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Ector Co., Texas (1.6 ac. total) (southwest corner of the intersection of W. University Blvd. and Andrews Hwy.);
E. Resolution No. 2011R-98 – Provide for only one City Council meeting for the month of December 2011;
F. Resolution No. 2011R-99 – Support of MOTOR MPO’s submission to change its MPO designation to Transportation Management Area (TMA);
G. Rescind bid award to Fuqua Industries, Inc. and award bid to Rolls-Off of America in the amount of $231,898 for side loading refuse containers and bottoms;
H. Approve Verizon Wireless contract for cellular service;
I. Renew Group Life Insurance, AD&D coverage and Retiree Life Insurance;
J. Renew long term disability insurance with Standard Insurance Company;
K. Renew contract for property insurance with TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool;
L. Renew public entity liability insurance with States Risk Retention Group;
M. Renew excess workers’ compensation insurance with Safety National Casualty Corporation;
N. Resolution No. 2011R-100 – ODC audit services contract with Weaver and Tidwell, LLC for fiscal year ending 2011;
O. Review monthly financial summary report for September 2011;
P. Ordinance No. 2011-42 – Reauthorization of the tax under Section 11.253 of the Tax Code;

Motion was made by Council member Combs and seconded by Council member Graff that the consent agenda items be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

RESOLUTION

Motion was made by Council member Cleaver and seconded by Council member Goates that Council would go into executive session on an ODC agreement with ULTRA Premium Oilfield and tax abatement agreement with ULTRA Premium Oilfield Services, Ltd. under 551.087. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Upon returning from executive session the following action took place:

Resolution No. 2011R-102 - ODC agreement with ULTRA Premium Oilfield. Mr. Long stated that the project was for steel pipe and would create 15 new jobs, maintain 90 jobs and have a $340 million in payroll. The incentive grant would be for $133,640 to be paid 1/5 each year after compliance.

Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Cleaver that the resolution be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Tax abatement agreement with ULTRA Premium Oilfield Services, Ltd. Mr. Long stated that Ultra Premium Oilfield requested a five year tax abatement with the first year at 100%.

Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Combs that the resolution be denied. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Open a public hearing to create Reinvestment Zone No. 5. This item was not considered.

Resolution No. 2011R-103 - Open a public hearing to consider nominating ULTRA Premium Oilfield Services, LTD as a participant in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program. Mr. Long stated that nominating ULTRA Premium Oilfield Services would qualify the company for State incentives and participate in the State program that would allow them to certain grants and financial incentives. No one came forward and the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council member Combs and seconded by Council member Goates that the resolution be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Appointment of Boards. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Ector County Tax Appraisal District,
Traffic Advisory Committee and Cable Franchise Committee. Appointment of Officers. Building Board of Appeals. Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Graff to reappoint Mickey Jones to the Ector County Tax Appraisal District, Leo Martinez to the Traffic Advisory Committee and Greg Eddings to the Building Board of Appeals. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Citizen's comments on non-agenda items. None.

There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST: 

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TMC, CMC
City Secretary

APPROVED: 

Larry L. Melton
Mayor