On October 26, 2010, 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; Councilmembers; Bill Cleaver, District One; James B. Goates, District Two; Barbara Graff, District Three; Dean Combs, District Four; and Roy Hunton, District Five.

Others present: Richard Morton, City Manager; Larry Long, City Attorney; Norma Grimaldo, City Secretary; 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 Rev. R.T. McNeil, St. James Baptist Church, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Mayor Melton presented proclamations for Celebrate Pro Bono Week and Sustainable Star of the Month. Mr. Long was presented with the Civic Leadership award for 15 years of service.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. City Council Minutes, October 12, 2010;
B. Resolution No. 2010R-74 – Accept $7,738 from the Texas “J” RAC 2010 EMS/Trauma Care System Funds;
C. Resolution No. 2010R-75 – Apply and accept funding from Texas Fire Mutual Aid System Grant Assistance Program for education;
D. Resolution No. 2010R-76 – Accept a Federal Government grant to provide partial payment for bulletproof vest;
E. Purchase a Pak-More refuse bodies from Equipment Southwest in the amount of $353,100;
F. Ordinance No. 2010-31 - Request of Monnie & John Sparkman, owners, to rezone from Retail (R) to Planned Development-Industrial (PD-I) Lots 1-12, Block 5, North Port Commercial Sites (9200 block of Andrews Hwy.);
G. Resolution No. 2010R-77 - Accept and appropriate funding of additional Weatherization Grant funds from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in the amount of $589,973;
H. Renew contracts for the purchase of automobile and light truck OEM parts with All American Chevrolet and Sewell Ford;
I. Purchase emergency vehicle equipment from Fleet Safety Equipment, Cop Stuff LLC, and Fleet Safety Equipment;
J. Resolution No. 2010R-78 – Donate city vehicles to Ector County;
K. Resolution No. 2010R-79 – Donate city equipment to Odessa College;  
L. Renew contract for benefits claims administration software maintenance with SunGard iWorks.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cleaver and seconded by Councilmember Graff that the consent agenda items be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2010R-80 – Economic development agreement with Odessa College. Courtney Wardlaw, Odessa College, stated that Odessa College received a Texas State Comptroller’s grant for instrumentation and an automation program. The facilities must be renovated. The Odessa Development Corporation approved a $160,000 match grant. There would be 15 students each semester. The building would be completely renovated by spring break 2011. There two different levels of certification or an Associates Degree could be obtained. The facility is large enough for growth. Odessa College has partnered with Chevron USA, Saulsbury Industries and Major Electric on this project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Goates and seconded by Councilmember Combs that the resolution be approved. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Bill Cleaver  Aye  
James B. Goates  Aye  
Barbara Graff  Aye  
Dean Combs  Aye  
Roy Hunton  Aye

MISCELLANEOUS

Appointment of Boards. Cable Franchise Committee; Appointment of Officers. (551.074) Board of Survey and Planning & Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilmember Cleaver and seconded by Councilmember Combs that Odel Crawford be reappointed to the Cable Franchise Committee and Kathleen McCulloch be reappointed to the Board of Survey. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Citizen comments on non-agenda items. None

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

ATTEST:  APPROVED:

Norma A. Grimaldo, TRMC  Larry L. Melton  
City Secretary  Mayor