On May 10, 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.

Others present: Richard Morton, City Manager; Larry Long, City Attorney; Norma 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 Pastor Randy Duckett, Second Baptist Church, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Mayor Melton presented proclamations for Motorcycle Awareness Month, Odessa Pride Star Month to Jack in the Box, National Tourism Week and Preservation Month.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. City Council Minutes, April 26, 2011;
B. Special City Council Minutes, May 2, 2011;
C. Resolution No. 2011R-42 – ODC agreement with West Texas Coalition for Innovation and Commercialization;
D. Ordinance No. 2011-11 – No parking zones and removal of parking meters;
E. Ordinance No. 2011-12 – Request of Apollo Perforators, Inc., owner, LCA agent, for original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial (PD-LI) on approximately 9.3 ac. tract, original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial-Surface Drainage (PD-LI-SD) on approximately 14.6 ac. tract, and original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial-Drill Reservation (PD-LI-DR) on two (2) tracts (approximately 4.16 ac. total) in Section 21, Block 41, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Midland Co., Texas (northwest corner of the intersection of IH-20 and proposed Tucker Rd.);
F. Ordinance No. 2011-13 – Abandonment of Elliot Ave. between 7th and 8th St;
G. Resolution No. 2011R-43 – TxDOT agreement for the temporary closure of State right-of-way at South Crane Ave;
H. Resolution No. 2011R-44 – Acceptance of one grant contract amendment with the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission for Solid Waste Recycling and Reduction purposes.
Motion was made by Council member Cleaver and seconded by Council member Combs that the consent agenda items be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

PUBLIC HEARING

Open a public hearing to consider approval of the request of DJK, Inc., owner, RSP Permian, LLC, leasee, for original zoning of Future Development-Drill Reservation (FD-DR) on approximately 2.1 ac. tract in Section 11, Block 41, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Midland Co., Texas (northwest of the intersection of Old Bankhead Hwy. and S. County Rd. 1297) Marwan Khoury, Director of Planning, reviewed the location of the property. The zoning would be for oil/gas well development on the site. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved for recommendation. No one came forward and the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council member Cleaver and seconded by Council member Goates that the ordinance be approved on first approval. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Open a public hearing to consider approval of the request of Ector Co., owner, Landgraf, Crutcher & Assoc., representative, for a specific use permit to allow a cemetery in a Light Industrial (LI) Zoning District, being approximately 2.42 ac. tract of land in Section 26, Block 42, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co., Survey, Ector Co., Texas (east of the intersection of S. Dixie Blvd. and Electric St.). Mr. Khoury reviewed the location of the property. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended for approval with specific conditions. A solid fence would be built on the residential side of the property. John Landgraf, stated that the water well would be used for irrigation which came with the property. Council member Cleaver stated that Ector County was not taking any land away. This is land that was purchased from TXU. Mr. Khoury confirmed that this zoning had no impact on the residential land.

Motion was made by Council member Graff and seconded by Council member Cleaver that the ordinance be approved on first approval. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Open a public hearing to consider approval of the request of Apollo Perforators, Inc., owner, Landgraf, Crutcher & Assoc., agent, for original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial (PD-LI) on approximately 28.81 ac. tract, original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial-Drill Reservation (PD-LI-DR) on approximately 2.08 ac. tract and an approx. 2.27 ac. tract (approximately 4.35 ac. total) in Section 21, Block 41, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Midland Co., Texas and original zoning of Planned Development-Light Industrial (PD-LI) on approximately 8.83 ac. tract in Section 22, Block 41, T-2-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Midland Co., Texas (north of the intersection of IH-20 and proposed Tucker Rd. and northeast of IH-20 and Lufkin Rd.) Mr. Khoury reviewed the location of the property. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended for approval with specific conditions including no curb and gutter.

Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Combs that the ordinance be approved on first approval. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2011R-45 – Naming the downtown area as The Professional Corridor and supporting the Main Street Economic Development Committee. Nancy Wells, Main Street executive director, reported that a downtown survey was taken in January on needs. There are 5,000 to 6,000 people who work in the
downtown area. She requested that the downtown area be designated as a professional corridor to redevelop and enhance the image.

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Appointment of Boards. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Midland Odessa Urban Transit District, Odessa Enterprise Zone Committee, Historical Preservation Commission, Odessa Development Corporation. Appointment of Officers. (551.074) Colorado River Municipal Water District and Housing Authority of Odessa. Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Combs that Charles Carlson be appointed to the Odessa Development Corporation and W.R. “Bro” Hill and Charles Perry be reappointed to the Colorado River Municipal Water District. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Citizen comments on non-agenda items. None.

There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

ATTEST:               APPROVED:

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