On April 12, 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; Dean Combs, District Four; and Roy Hunton, District Five.

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 Mayor Melton and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. City Council Minutes, March 22, 2011;
B. Resolution No. 2011R-33 – Authorize the City to accept $7,577.75 from the Texas “J” RAC 2010 EMS/Trauma Care System funds;
C. Ordinance No. 2011-08 – Request of Real Property Resources, owner, for original zoning of Planned Development-Single Family (PD-SF) on approximately 3.5 ac. tract and to rezone from Single Family-Three (SF-3) to Planned Development-Single Family (PD-SF) on approximately 13.4 ac. tract in Section 34, Block 42, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Ector Co., Texas (north of the intersection of E. 96th St. and Lamar Ave.);
D. Resolution No. 2011R-34 – Bid award to Morrison Supply, Western Industrial, and Benmark Supply in the amount of $336,794 for valves and fittings for Water Distribution;
E. Renew contract for the purchase of motor oil and fluids with Johnson Brothers Oil Co. in the amount of $139,275;
F. Resolution No. 2011R-35 – Placement of a 345-Kv transmission line in the City of Odessa.

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

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

BID AWARD

Bid award for the 2011 seal coat program. Ajay Shakyaver, City Engineer, reviewed the location of the seal
coat area. He recommended that the bid be awarded to Ronald R. Wagner and Co. in the amount of $1,168,074. Motion was made by Council member Graff and seconded by Council member Goates that the bid award be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

Open a public hearing to consider granting a limousine franchise to Genoveva Segovia d/b/a Gold Rush Limo Service. Mr. Long stated that the franchise would be for two limos at the rate of $150 an hour with a two-hour minimum. Genoveva Segovia, 1020 Jackson, stated it was her first limo service and the rate was in line with the other limo services. No one else came forward and the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council member Cleaver 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-36 - Consider supporting the Community Development Block Grant Program locally and nationally and petitioning the U. S. Congress and the Administration to oppose any proposal to substantially reduce the funding of the Community Development Block Grant. Merita Sandoval, Director of Community Development, requested the Council's support for the continuation of the Community Development Block Grant program. The support would petition Congress to oppose reduction in funding that would impact our citizens. She provided stats on the projects used from the funds. Councilmember Combs appreciated the efforts that it enriched the lives of the citizens but our Country was in the mist of economic crisis and tough decisions had to be made. He stated that there may be more important priorities to address with the funding.

Council member Goates stated that the City has done a wonderful job in spending the funds to help our citizens. He stated that the funding may be done away with now or in the future.

Motion was made by Council member Graff and seconded by Council member Cleaver that the resolution be approved. The motion was approved by 4-1 vote with Council member Combs casting the nay vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

Appointment of Boards. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Midland Odessa Urban Transit District, Odessa Enterprise Zone Committee, and Historical Preservation Commission. Motion was made by Council member Goates and seconded by Council member Cleaver that Daisy Bell Hester be reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.


Consider Industrial District contract with High Plains Diversified Energy Corporation. (551.071). Mayor Melton stated that the Council would go into executive session under 551.071. Upon returning from executive session, there was no action taken.

Citizen comments on non-agenda items. None.

There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.
ATTEST:

Norma A. Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

APPROVED:

Larry L. Melton
Mayor