

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP

JANUARY 22, 2013

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 6.04 p.m. on January 22, 2013, in the City Commission Chamber of the Ennis City Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Salik, Frazier, and Haupt, City Manager Howerton, City Attorney Wilson, Chief Erisman, and City Secretary Batchler. Commissioners Taylor, Searcy, and Holley were not in attendance.

DECEMBER BUDGET REPORT City Manager Howerton presented the December 2012 Budget Report. With 25.00 percent of the Budget year elapsed, 19.00 percent of General Fund Revenue have been collected. General Fund Expenditures totaled 22.50 percent of the annual budget. With 25.00 percent of the Budget year elapsed, 23.00 percent of Utility Fund Revenues have been collected. Utility Fund Expenditures totaled 25.50 percent of the annual budget.

FIRST QUARTER MAMAGEMENT BY OBJECTIVES REPORT (FY 2012-2013) The report was routine in nature. In the Police Department, 13 compliance check/sting operations were performed to assure local alcohol/tobacco retailers are in compliance with state/local laws (27% of the annual objective). In the Fire Department, 198 public fire hydrants were pressure checked and flushed (24.75% of the annual objective). In the Inspection Department, 1,927 inspections were made within eight hours of the request through the 1st Quarter of FY 2012-2013 (100% of the annual objective). In the Health Department, 108 food inspections were completed (36% of the annual objective). In the Tourism Department, 82 advertising/promotional print placements were generated (24% of the annual objective). In the Library Department, 18,143 items of print and audiovisual items were circulated (22.2% of the annual objective). In the Parks Department, 10 picnic shelters were serviced and repaired in Jaycee and Lions Parks (166% of the annual objectives). In the Street Department, 88,650 linear feet (297 blocks of streets) were crack sealed (91% of the annual objective). In the Sanitation Department, 75 miles of road rights-of-way were cleaned (25% of the annual objective). In the Equipment Services Department, 60 pieces of equipment received preventive maintenance on the assigned day (100% of the annual objective). In the Utility Department, 3,600 feet of sanitary sewer was maintained through scheduled cleaning (26% of the annual objective).

DIRECT ENERGY CORPORATION City Manager Howerton reported that the city received a check in the amount of \$753,866.86 which represents full payment for the default and breach of agreement associated with the Alliance Date/Direct Energy development project (Tax Abatement

Agreement: \$286,766.86 [City of Ennis] and Economic Development Agreement: \$467,100.00 [Ennis Economic Development Corporation]).

AGENDA ITEMS: Second reading of Ordinance 13-01-01 designating a certain area as Industrial Tax Abatement Zone No. 53 (JTEKT Automotive of Texas, L.P.) within the City of Ennis, Texas, establishing the boundaries thereof and other matters relating. The City Manager explained that JTEKT Corporation has applied for a 75 percent, seven (7) year abatement from property taxes with a proposed improvement of \$24,500,000 to both real property and machinery, including a pledge to create twenty-five (25) jobs.

The City of Ennis, Texas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2012 was presented.

The Commission will consider a Municipal Court Fine Collection Agreement between the City of Ennis, Texas and American Municipal Services.

Appointments to City of Ennis Boards and Commissions. The following will be considered for reappointment to their boards/commissions: Tammy Fry, Steve Carberry, Fran Anderson, Joanne Ventura to the Ennis Arts Commission; Dan Espedal and Raymond Coleman to the Housing Authority; Sam Ventura, Jess Haupt, and Tom Abram to the Ennis Economic Development Corporation; Bryan Ozymy and Kelly Kovar to the Tourism Commission.

With no further business, Mayor Thomas adjourned the workshop at 6.28 p.m.

City Secretary

