

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP

JUNE 3, 2013

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 3, 2013 in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Frazier, Haupt, Walker, Searcy, and Holley, City Manager Howerton, City Attorney Wilson and Chief Erisman.

Commissioner Salik was not in attendance.

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 30, 2013 THROUGH MAY 27, 2013. The report was routine in nature. The City Manager noted during May, the Water Treatment Plant treated approximately 107.013 million gallons of water and the Wastewater Treatment Plant treated approximately 50.963 million gallons of wastewater.

CITY OF ENNIS PROPOSED FUTURE DEBT ISSUES were reviewed. No Tax Rate increase.

Assumptions:

CO's, Series 2014

Par Amount	\$6,000,000
Issue Date	February 1, 2014
Interest Rate	4%

CO's, Series 2015

Par Amount	\$8,000,000
Issue Date	August 1, 2015
Interest Rate	5.50%

PUBLIC PROTECTION PLAN. Letters have been mailed out to the property owners with damage in the area of Business US Hwy. 287 (Ennis Avenue), Dallas Street, and McKinney Street as a result of the Ennis tornado. An urgent public and private need exists to provide access to and to open all businesses on these streets that are presently affected by street closures. The property owners are required to provide a public protection plan for their property which was damaged by the May 16, 2013, tornado. This public protection plan will be prepared by a

Texas Licensed Professional Engineer and will detail a protective barrier/wall that will allow restoration of their building and, at the same time, allow the safe opening of Business US Hwy. 287 (Ennis Avenue), Dallas Street, and McKinney Street. The public protection plan will be submitted to the City of Ennis for review and approval. The public protection plan must be delivered to the City of Ennis no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7, 2013.

REVISED ESTIMATED COST FOR REMOVAL OF BRUSH BY SANITATION DEPARTMENT: Approximately 8,000 cu. yds. of brush, using 25 cu. yd. trucks would take 320 trips to landfill.

LANDFILL COST: \$10.18 per yd.  
320 X 25 cu. yds. = 8,000 cu. yds. X 10.18 yd. = \$81,440.00

FUEL COST: Diesel fuel cost is 43.24/per gal.  
12 miles per round trip using approx. 4 gals. per trip \$ 4,147.20

PERSONNEL COST: Estimated time of removal will be 3 weeks/40 hrs. weeks 15 employees working a total 120 hrs. each (straight time only calculated)  
15 emp. X 120 hrs. = 1,800 total hrs. \$42,574.80

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 13-05-03 APPROVING AND ADOPTING RATE SCHEDULE "RRM-RATE REVIEW MECHANISM" FOR ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION, MID-TEX DIVISION, TO BE IN FORCE IN THE CITY FOR A PERIOD OF TIME AS SPECIFIED IN THE RATE SCHEDULE; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DETERMINING THAT THIS ORDINANCE WAS PASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND ACSC LEGAL COUNSEL, DATE; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND ACSC LEGAL COUNSEL.

City Manager Howerton stated there had been no changes since the first reading and recommended approval

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 13-05-04 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENNIS FROM "T" (TRANSITION DISTRICT) TO "C-PD" (COMMERCIAL-PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT) FOR APPROXIMATELY 10.35 ACRES OF THE JOSEPH A. LANE SURVEY, ABSTRACT NUMBER 656, AND THE J.F. CRAWFORD SURVEY, ABSTRACT NUMBER 250, LOCATED IN THE 2400 BLOCK OF EAST ENNIS AVENUE, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS. P & Z CASE #13.04.02.

City Staff stated that there had been no changes since the first reading, approval is recommended.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 13-05-05 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENNIS FROM “IN-PD” (INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT-PLANNED DEVELOPMENT) TO “HC-PF” (HEAVY COMMERCIAL-PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT) WITH A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR TRACT 109, JOHN DOUTHET SURVEY NUMBER 305, LOCATED AT 803 WEST LAMPASAS STREET, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

The City Manager recommended approval of Ordinance No. 13-05-05 with Conditions and Limitations stated in correspondence from Texas Compliance Solutions dated March 13, 2013, attached hereto as a Specific Use Permit.

NEW BUSINESS

EXTENSION OF THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, RECYCLING, HAULING AND DISPOSAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS AND ALLIED WASTE. City Staff recommended that the agreement be extended under the terms and conditions of the present amendment to the contract for a period up to three years and during that period of time the City would negotiate further with Allied Waste hopefully to come to an agreement on the second amendment that has been offered to the contract.

CHARGE-OFF OF DELINQUENT UTILITY AND AMBULANCE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTION BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY. Staff recommended approving the charge-off of delinquent utility accounts in the amount of \$8,186.79 for the purpose of collection by the Office of the City Attorney.

RECOVERY EFFORTS RELATING TO THE MAY 16, 2013 ENNIS TORNADO. City Manager requested that the City Commission authorize staff to negotiate a contract to grind the wood debris that has been accumulated (approximately eight thousand cubic yards to date - the number may go up slightly over the next several days) and have it reduced to chip form to have it available for citizens use at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: No action will be taken.

Mayor Thomas adjourned the workshop.

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Donna Batchler, City Secretary

