

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 7, 2013

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. on October 7, 2013, in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

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

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE PERIOD AUGUST 28, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

The report was routine in nature. During September, the Water Treatment Plant Treated approximately 151.716 million gallons of water and the Wastewater Treatment Plant treated approximately 49.77 million gallons of wastewater.

WATER DEPARTMENT

The City Manager presented an overview of the City of Ennis Water Department. The City of Ennis Utility Department operating under the rules and regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Code of Federal Regulations Chapter 40 and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCRQ) Texas Administrative Code Chapter 30 provides for the operation and maintenance of surface water treatment plant, a wastewater treatment facility, the pretreatment program, the water distribution system, and the wastewater collection system. The Water Treatment Plant was constructed in 1966 with major expansions in 1985, 2002, and 2005. The treatment capacity is 12 million gallons per day, clearwell storage of 2 million gallons with testing in 48 parameters throughout the process. Distributions are analyzed and documented daily, 7 bacteriological test are run in the distribution system weekly, quarterly testing for Haloacetic Acids and trihalomethanes is done along with annual testing for over 300 constituents. The water source is Lake Bardwell and Tarrant Regional Water District. The treatment process is flash mix, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, and disinfection. Under process control, flow, turbidity, chlorine, and pH are monitored constantly at 8 critical points within the treatment process through the use of a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System. The State of Texas has designated the Ennis water system as a Superior Public Water System, the highest rating given by the state. There are two elevated water storage tanks with a capacity of 750,000 gallons each for a total storage capacity of 1,500,00 gallons.

## BID AWARDS

“E 14-01” Miscellaneous Utility Department Materials. Twelve (12) bidders submitted bids for one or more items contained in the “E 14-01” request for bid proposal. City Manager Howerton recommended award to the low qualified bidders in the unit price amounts specified as follows:

Sand (2,000 Tons)	Hunter Excavation	\$13.50/Ton
Pea Gravel (2,000 Tons)	Trinity Materials	\$13.50/Ton
Gravel (3,000 Tons)	Trinity Materials	\$17.00/Ton
Wash Rock (1,000 Tons)	Trinity Materials	\$18.00/Ton
Water Meters, ¾” (500)	Aqua-Metric Sales	\$58.47/Ea.
Water Meters, 1” (50)	Aqua-Metric Sales	\$126.95/Ea.
Water Meters, 1.5” (30)	Aqua-Metric Sales	\$415.26/Ea.
Water Meters, 2” (50)	Aqua-Metric Sales	\$582.64/Ea.
Liquid Chlorine	DPC Industries Inc.	\$489.00/Ton
Liquid Sulphur Dioxide WWTP (275 150 lb Cylinders annually)	DPC Industries Inc.	\$138.00/Cyl
Sludge Dewatering Flocculent WWTP (6-270 Gal. containers)	Polydyne, Inc.	\$2,576.00/Tote
Aluminum Sulfide Flocculent Coagulant Water Plant (1.1 Billion Gals. Treatment)	Brenntag Southwest Inc.	\$0.2874/Lb
Activated Carbon (85,000 Lbs)	Southwest Chemical	\$1.20/Lb
12,000 gallons annually-MPOX 40	Musol LTD	\$6.97/Gal
15,000 pounds annually Anhydrous	Airgas Products	\$0.78/Lb

6,500 Lb-Potassium Permanganate Southwest Chemicals \$1.67 Lb  
(Water Plant)

Should the recommended low qualified bidders be unable to provide materials in accordance with required quantities or bid specifications, then the next low qualified bidders will be used.

“E 14-02” Miscellaneous Street Department Materials Four (4) bidders submitted bids for one or more items contained in the “E 14-02” request for bid proposal. City Manager Howerton recommended award to the low qualified bidders in the unit price amounts specified as follows:

Cold Mix Asphalt 1,600 Tons Picked Up	APAC Texas, Inc. Tyler, TX 75703	\$72.00 per Ton
Cold Mix Asphalt 1,600 Tons Delivered	APAC Texas, Inc. Tyler, TX 75703	\$78.00 per Ton
Cushion Sand 500 Yards	Hunter Excavation Inc. Ennis, TX 75119	\$ 8.00 per Cubic Yard
Select Fill 800 Yards	Hunter Excavation Inc. Ennis, TX 75119	\$ 7.50 per Cubic Yard
White Masonry Sand 100 Yards	Hunter Excavation Inc. Ennis, TX 75119	\$65.00 per Cubic Yard
Limestone (Flexbase) 1,200 Tons	Trinity Materials, Inc. Ferris, TX 75125	\$17.00 per Ton
Hot Mix Asphalt 4,000 Tons Picked Up	APAC Texas, Inc. Tyler, TX 75703	\$69.00 per Ton
Hot Mix Asphalt 4,000 Tons Delivered	APAC Texas, Inc. Tyler, TX 75703	\$75.00 per Ton
5 Sack Concrete 350 Yards	Top Cat Ready Mix LLC Scurry, TX 75158	\$94.00 per Cubic Yard
6 Sack Concrete 350 Yards	Top Cat Ready Mix LLC Scurry, TX 75158	\$96.00 per Cubic Yard
8 Sack Concrete 350 Yards	Top Cat Ready Mix LLC Scurry, TX 75158	\$107.00 per Cubic Yard

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## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance 13-10-01 approving a negotiated resolution between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division, regarding the company's 2013 Annual Rate Review Mechanism. Atmos Mid-Tex RRM sought a \$22.7 million rate increase system wide. The Atmos Cities Steering Committee proposed a \$16.6 million system-wide increase under the Annual Rate Review Mechanism. Under the settlement the expected increase to the average residential customer's bill is approximately \$0.74 per month. Ordinance 13-10-01 approves the ARRM increase of \$16.6 million system-wide.

## NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 13-10-02 NOMINATING A CANDIDATE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ELLIS APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE YEARS 2014-2015. Mayor Thomas submitted C. T. (Tom) Abram as a candidate for the Board of Directors of the Ellis Appraisal District for the years 2014-2015.

AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO WATER TOWER LEASE AGREEMENT DALLAS MTA, dba VERIZON WIRELESS. Verizon Wireless is proposing to increase their antenna array by twenty-one percent. The city is currently receiving \$2990.00 per month, \$35,880.00 annually, under the amended agreement the city will be receiving a twenty-one percent increase. The amended agreement will allow for Extension Rentals as follows: 2<sup>nd</sup> five year extension the rental will increase to \$49,956.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> five year extension the rental will increase to \$57,449.40, and the 4<sup>th</sup> five year extension the rental will increase to \$66,066.81 City staff recommended approval of Amendment No. 2 to the Water Tower Lease Agreement with Verizon Wireless.

PUBLIC FACILITIES USE PERMIT 2013 CHRISTMAS PARADE – ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND LIGHTS OF ENNIS. The Ennis Chamber of Commerce and the Lights of Ennis have made application for a Public Facilities Use Permit for the 2013 Christmas Parade for Thursday, December 5, 2013 with the Lighting at 5:30 p.m. and the Parade following at 6:00 p.m. The Lighting will be West. Knox St. to West Ennis Ave. The parade route will be North Clay St. to West Ennis Ave. to Northwest Main St. to West Denton St. to the corner of North Dallas St. and West Knox St. The Ennis Chamber of Commerce will provide liability insurance naming the City of Ennis as insured.

PUBLIC FACILITIES USE PERMIT DAMASCUS ROAD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH The Damascus Road Fellowship Church has made application for a Public Facilities Use Permit for December 1, 2013 and December 8, 2013 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. for the use of the corner of 116 West Ennis Ave. and Dallas Street (sidewalk and curb). Liability insurance naming the City of Ennis as insured has been provided.

EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM RECRUITMENT OF CITY MANAGER. Three Executive Search Firms submitted proposals for the recruitment of City Manager. They are Chris Hartung

Consulting, LLC of Arlington, Texas, Strategic Government Resources of Keller, Texas, and Ralph Anderson & Associates of Rocklin, California.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.087 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, ANN. DELIBERATIONS REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS – NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DISTRICT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

OLD BUSINESS

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

Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

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Donna Batchler, City Secretary