

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION WORKSHOP

DECEMBER 16, 2013

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the workshop to order at 6:05 p.m. on, December 16, 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, Chief Erisman, City Secretary Batchler, and News Media.

Commissioner Salik was not in attendance.

NOVEMBER 2013 BUDGET REPORT

With 16.67 percent of the Budget Year elapsed, 11.00 percent of General Fund Revenues have been collected. General Fund Expenditures totaled 14.50 percent of the annual budget. 15.00 percent of Utility Fund Revenues have been collected. Utility Fund Expenditures totaled 18.40 percent of the annual budget.

2104 STREET BOND PROGRAM

City Manager Howerton presented the 2014 Street Bond Program preliminary estimates as prepared by engineers Freese and Nichols. The estimated cost of the project for all five wards is \$7,425,500.00 which will be reduced to the budgeted amount of \$6,000,000.00 resulting in reducing some of the streets included in the project.

ELLIS APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD ELECTION

In compliance with Section 6.03(k) of the Property Tax Code, the votes for the 2014-2015 election have been counted and the five candidates receiving the largest cumulative votes, Tom Abram, Tommy Hamilton, Phillip Lynch, Ken Marks and Joe Pitts are elected to serve on the Ellis Appraisal District Board of Directors.

AGENDA ITEMS

BID AWARDS

“E 14-06” TRACTOR AND BOOM MOWER

City staff recommend the purchase of bid item “E-14-06” one tractor and boom mower through HGABUY a Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative for the amount of \$95,966.63. \$113,199.00 was budgeted for the item.

“E 14-07” LEASE/PURCHASE FINANCING (TRACTOR AND BOOM MOWER)

Two (2) proposals were received on the Lease/Purchase Financing for the tractor and boom mower as follows: Capital City Leasing, Austin, Texas, 48 month lease term, interest rate 0.025000950 percent, total principal \$95,966.63, total interest \$4,978.33, total payments \$100,944.96, annual payments \$25,236.24, exceptions none. BancorpSouth Equipment Finance, Hattiesburg, MS, 48 month lease term, interest rate 0.20400000 percent, total principal \$95,966.63, total interest \$4,050.19, total payments \$100,016.82, annual payment \$25,004.21, exceptions none. City staff recommended awarding bid to BancorpSouth.

“E 14-08” THREE POLICE VEHICLES

City staff recommended award of the bid for three (3) Chevrolet Tahoes Police Package through Texas Smart Buy a Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative in the amount of \$78,044.48 with no exceptions taken and a delivery expected within 14 calendar days of the order.

ORDINANCE 13-12-01 AMENDING CHAPTER 8.5 OF THE ORDINANCE 13-12-01 AMENDING CHAPTER 8.5 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ENNIS BY ADDING SUBSECTION (d) FOLLOWING SUBSECTION 8.5-7 (c)(3) TO PROVIDE A SEVEN (7) YEAR, ONE HUNDRED (100) PERCENT CITY TAX REIMBURSEMENT FOR MAJOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS HAVING A DOCUMENTED VALUE WHICH EXCEEDS \$15,000.00 AND WHICH ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DISTRICT, PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION. A public hearing is scheduled along with second reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE 13-12-02 AMENDING CHAPTER 8.5 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ENNIS BY ADDING SECTION 8.5-13 FOLLOWING SECTION 8.5-12 TO PROVIDE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS FOR MAJOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS HAVING A DOCUMENTED VALUE WHICH EXCEEDS \$15,000.00 AND WHICH ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DISTRICT, ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, ESTABLISHING APPLICATION AND APPROVAL PROCEDURES, ESTABLISHING PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS, ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS, PROVIDING FOR RECAPTURE BY THE CITY OF ENNIS IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT, PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION. A public hearing will be held along with the second reading of the ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) FOR THE SHARED SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES BETWEEN THE ENNIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF ENNIS

Is an agreement for shared services and resources for law enforcement services between the Ennis Independent School District and the Ennis City Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, ANN. §551.074 (TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT – “PERSONNEL MATTERS”) – SELECTION OF CITY MANAGER

OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

There will be no action taken.

Mayor Thomas adjourned the workshop at 6:25 p.m.

Donna Batchler, City Secretary

