

September 6, 2018

The Graham City Council met in REGULAR SESSION in the Council Chambers at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 6, 2018 with the following members present:

MEMBERS:	Mayor:	Neal Blanton
	Mayor Pro-Tem:	Darby Brockway
	Council Member:	Brint Albritton
		Lee Boyd
		Kyle Peavy
	City Manager:	Brandon Anderson
	City Secretary:	Sharon McFadden
	City Attorney:	Dan De La Cruz
	Police Chief:	Tony Widner (absent)
	Assistant Police Chief:	Brent Bullock
	Fire Chief:	Jerry David
	Assistant Fire Chief:	Jim Don Laurent

VISITORS: Sandra Helvey, David Miller, Thomas Wallner, Jason Cottongame, Krisa De La Cruz, Dennis Fellows, Kevin Strawbridge, Jeff Smith, Don Mackenburg, Sue Mackenburg, Lou Clark, Betty Staples, and Brock Staples,

ORDER: Mayor Neal Blanton called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

PUBLIC FORUM: Sue Mackenburg, Don Mackenburg, and Brock Staples each voiced their concerns for the Graham Humane Society of Young County. Mrs. Mackenburg stated the shelter will not be closing at this time and encouraged citizens to volunteer, donate supplies, and donate funds.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes from the Regular Session Council meeting held on Thursday, August 23, 2018 were approved. Darby Brockway made the first motion. Lee Boyd seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved 4-0.

**CONSIDER AND ACT ON RESOLUTION #112 APPROVING THE 2018-2019 INVESTMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY:**

Sharon McFadden reviewed the contents of the policy and the revisions compared to the 2017-2018 Investment Policy and Strategy. Brint Albritton made the first motion. Kyle Peavy made the second and the 2018-2019 Investment Policy and Strategy were unanimously approved 4-0.

**CONSIDER AND ACT ON RELEASING A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIT SERVICES:**

Brandon Anderson explained the situation with the current auditor and the need to do an RFQ for an auditor to conduct future audits. Brandon said merging companies tend to shift their focus to larger clients. Brandon recommended issuing the RFQ with a final submission date of Wednesday, October 31, 2018. Brandon mentioned contacting other local communities for guidance in the RFQ process. Darby Brockway made the motion to approve the RFQ request. Lee Boyd made the second motion and the request was unanimously approved 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

ENTERED INTO A PUBLIC HEARING AT 9:20 A.M.:

Brandon said the capital item mentioned in the previous public hearing (Thursday, August 23, 2018) has been added. Brandon stated the final public hearing will take place on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Graham Visitor and Business Center, 608 Elm Street, Graham, Texas. The evening meeting will provide citizens that work an opportunity to attend the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED AND RECONVENED TO REGULAR SESSION COUNCIL MEETING AT 9:22 A.M.

**REPORTS:**

- Fire Chief Jerry David said department is preparing for fire prevention with the school district. The program begins next month (October 2018).
- Public Works Director Jason Cottongame said the road projects for this year have been completed with five and one half (5 ½) miles of chip seal and overlay. The fire department station concrete approach has been replaced.
- Krisa De La Cruz, CEO of the Chamber and CVB mentioned the upcoming Quarterly Luncheon taking place on Tuesday, September 18, 2018. The topic of the presentation will be "Humor in the Workplace."
- Sharon McFadden, City Secretary, provided a slide presentation for recognition of Water Plant employees Dennis Fellows and Kevin Strawbridge. They have earned their Certified Water Professional licensing from Texas A & M University Extension Service.
- Brandon said the current lake level has risen to 80.2 percent full.

## ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Brint Albritton, a second from Darby Brockway, the Council meeting was unanimously adjourned.



Neal Blanton, Mayor

## ATTEST:



Sharon McFadden, City Secretary