

City Council
Agenda Memo



City Council
Meeting Date: 05-27-2010

TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager

FROM: Mindy Patterson, Director of Finance

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SUBJECT: **Resolution** – Reappointing an Assistant Municipal Court Judge to act in the absence or unavailability of the Judge of the Municipal Court.

GENERAL INFORMATION

City Charter provides the following:

Sec. 77. Assistant municipal court judge.

In the event the judge of the municipal court is temporarily unable to act for any reason, the mayor with the approval of the council shall appoint a qualified attorney to act in his place.

Mr. Rutledge has been serving as Assistant Municipal Court Judge.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

Prepared by:

Name: Mindy Patterson

Title: Director of Finance

Item No. 6.3

Disposition by City Council

- Approved Ord/Res# _____
- Denied _____
- Other _____

City Secretary

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, REAPPOINTING AN ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE TO ACT IN THE ABSENCE OR UNAVAILABILITY OF THE JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT

WHEREAS, there are occasions when the Judge of the Municipal Court is temporarily unable to serve; and,

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Abilene provides for the appointment of Assistant Municipal Court Judge to act when the Municipal Court Judge is unavailable; and,

WHEREAS, the Judge of the Municipal Court has contacted Evan Rutledge, qualified and competent attorney, who has agreed to serve in the absence of the Judge and recommends his reappointment as Assistant Municipal Judge, in accordance with the City Charter of the City of Abilene; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council of the City of Abilene hereby approves of the reappointment of Evan Rutledge as Assistant Municipal Court Judge of Abilene, Texas, and hereby authorizes the Mayor to appoint Evan Rutledge for a term of 1 ½ years beginning May 27, 2010 and continuing through December 2011.

PART 2: That Evan Rutledge shall be paid only for the actual time that he serves as Assistant Municipal Court Judge.

PART 3: That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.


ADOPTED this 27th day of May, 2010.

ATTEST:

City Secretary

Mayor

APPROVED:



City Attorney



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TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager

City Council
Meeting Date: 5-27-2010

FROM: Mindy Patterson, Director of Finance *MP*

SUBJECT: WRITTEN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF 2 CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Municipalities have original jurisdiction over gas utility rates and services within the city. The Atmos Cities Steering Committee (“ACSC”) is composed of municipalities in the service area of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division. Atmos is a monopoly provider of natural gas. Because Atmos has no competitors, regulation of the rates that it charges its customers is the only way that cities can ensure that natural gas rates are fair. Working as a coalition to review the rates charged by Atmos allows cities to accomplish more collectively than each city could do acting alone.

ACSC is the largest coalition of cities served by Atmos Gas-Mid Tex with 149 ACSC member cities. Although many of the activities undertaken by ACSC are connected to rate cases (and therefore expenses are reimbursed by the utility), ACSC also undertakes additional activities on behalf of municipalities for which it needs funding support from its members.

The attached resolution authorizes the continuation of the City’s membership with ACSC and approves an assessment to ACSC in the amount of two cents (\$0.02) per capita based on the population figure for the City as shown in the latest TML Directory of City Officials. A per capita assessment has historically been used by ACSC, and is a fair method for the members to bear the burdens associated with the benefits received from that membership.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve this resolution.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

Prepared By: Name: <u>Theresa James, Odis Dolton</u> Title: <u>Asst. City Atty., Asst. Dir. of Finance</u>	Item No. <u>6.4</u>	Disposition by City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Ord/Res# _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ City Secretary
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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TWO CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene is a regulatory authority under the Gas Utility Regulatory Act (GURA) and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division (Atmos) within the municipal boundaries of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (ACSC) has historically intervened in Atmos rate proceedings and gas utility related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and gas customers residing within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, ACSC is participating in Railroad Commission dockets and projects, as well as court proceedings, affecting gas utility rates; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of ACSC; and

WHEREAS, in order for ACSC to continue its participation in these activities which affects the provision of gas utility service and the rates to be charged, it must assess its members for such costs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City is authorized to continue its membership with the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to protect the interests of the City of Ailene and protect the interests of the customers of Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division residing and conducting business within the City limits.

PART 2: It is further authorized to pay its 2010 assessment to the ACSC in the amount of two cents (\$0.02) per capita based on the population figures for the City shown in the latest TML Directory of City Officials.

PART 3: A copy of this Resolution and approved assessment fee payable to "*Atmos Cities Steering Committee*" shall be sent to:
Mary Bunkley
Treasurer, Atmos Cities Steering Committee
c/o Arlington City Attorney's Office, Mail Stop 63-0300
Post Office Box 90231
Arlington, Texas 76004-3231

ADOPTED this 27th day of May, 2010.

APPROVED:

Norm Archibald, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

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City Council
Meeting Date: 5/27/10

TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager
FROM: Lesli Andrews, Wayfinding Committee
SUBJECT: Award of Bid – CB #1025 Authorization to purchase Destination/Wayfinding Signage

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Destination/Wayfinding project is 117 signs placed around Abilene to help welcome, cross-promote, orient, and guide visitors and citizens of Abilene around the community.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

The lowest bid was Willis Electric Co., Abilene, Texas at a cost of \$264,100.00 paid for through approved TIF funds approved in May 2007.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends awarding the bid to Willis Electric Co. Abilene, Texas.

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS

Tabulation of Bids

Prepared by: Name <u>Lesli Andrews</u> Title <u>Committee Chairman</u>	Item No. <u>6.5</u>	Disposition by City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Ord/Res# _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ City Secretary
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**CITY OF ABILENE
PURCHASING DIVISION
TABULATION OF BIDS**

DEPARTMENT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 BID NO.: CB-1025
 TIME OF OPENING: 2:00 P.M.
 DATE OF OPENING: APRIL 22, 2010

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	WILLIS ELECTRIC CO ABILENE, TX		NW SIGN INDUSTRIES, INC. MOORESTOWN, NJ		FACILITY SOLUTIONS AUSTIN, TX		ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNAGE SOLUTION IRVING, TX		ARCHITECTURAL GRAPHICS, INC. VIRGINIA BEACH, VA		ADCON SIGNS FT. COLLINS, CO	
				UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION
1.	DESTINATION/WAYFINDING SIGNAGE PROJECT				*264,100.00		296,735.00		334,443.01		347,022.80		383,938.00		393,375.00
	BASE BID						296,735.00		334,443.01		347,022.80		383,938.00		393,375.00
	DISCOUNT														
	TOTAL BID				*264,100.00		296,735.00		334,443.01		347,022.80		383,938.00		393,375.00

*NOTES: INDICATES RECOMMENDED AWARD

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