

**City Council  
Agenda Memo**



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Meeting Date: 09/12/13**

**TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager**  
**FROM: Megan R. Santee, Director of Public Works**  
**SUBJECT: Oral Resolution – Application/Permit to Drill and/or Operate an Oil and/or Gas well –  
Bridger Petroleum, LLC: “Clack No. 8”, Permit No. 766880**

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Chapter 21, Oil and Gas, of the City Code requires a permit for drilling and operating oil/gas wells within the city limits. As part of the review process, the City Council is to conduct a public hearing and then approve or deny the permit.

Bridger Petroleum, LLC of Abilene, Texas has submitted an application to drill the “Clack No. 8” well on property owned by Edward Kerry Clack, located between Abilene Regional Airport and Loop 322, as shown on the attached map. Because of the proximity to Abilene Regional Airport, a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Aeronautical Study was required. The aeronautical study is attached to, and made part of the application/permit. The study concluded that the drilling rig does not exceed obstruction standards and would not be a hazard to air navigation, provided that the marking/lighting and notification requirements detailed in the study are met. This application has been reviewed and approved by City Staff. All owners of real property within 500 feet of the proposed drill site have been notified of this application and of the City Council meeting to consider its approval, as required by City ordinance.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Because all prerequisites and requirements of Chapter 21, Oil and Gas; have been met, including no anticipated adverse effect on the health, safety and welfare of the public, staff recommends that the City Council vote to approve the application for this drilling permit and authorize the Mayor to execute permit no. 766880 for Bridger Petroleum, LLC.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Site Map

The Application/Permit to Drill and/or Operate an Oil and/or Gas Well, including all supporting documentation, is on file with the City Secretary.

Prepared by:  Name: Travis McClure  Title: Land Agent	Item No. <u>7.14</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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