

**PRE-COUNCIL WORK SESSION, THURSDAY
September 28, 1995, 8:30 A.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,
BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL**

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a Pre-Council Work Session on September 28, 1995, at 8:30 a.m. in the Basement Conference Room of City Hall. Mayor Pro Tempore Russell Berry was present and presided until Mayor McCaleb arrived at 8:35 a.m. Councilmembers present were Councilmen A. Don Drennan, Russell Berry, Ray Ferguson, and Councilwoman Kay Alexander. Also present were City Manager Lanny Lambert, Assistant City Manager Roy L. McDaniel, City Attorney Harvey Cargill, Jr., City Secretary Jo Moore, Assistant to the City Manager Debra Guerra, and various members of the City staff. Councilmen Paul R. Vasquez and Jimmy McNeil were absent.

The Council briefly discussed various consent and regular agenda items. There being no further discussion, the meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m. for the regular Council Meeting.

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 28, 1995, 9:00 A.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL**

Mayor McCaleb reconvened the City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, into Regular Session September 28, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Invocation was given by Councilman Don Drennan.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Evan Eurich, a fifth-grader at Bassetti Elementary School.

Jo Moore, City Secretary and the City's Campaign Coordinator for United Way, gave an update of the Campaign; announced that we are now over our goal and that the City received the Silver Spur Award at the United Way Report Luncheon September 26. Mrs. Moore also announced two unfinished projects which will bring in more donations - the Fun Walk/Run scheduled for September 30, and the City Employees' Cookbook scheduled to be available for sale in October. She then introduced Mike Bieniek, Chair of the Fun Walk/Run Committee, who showed a video of the Fun/Walk Run commercial and introduced committee members present in the audience. Mr. Bieniek invited Councilmembers, staff, and anyone in the audience interested to register for the event.

Mayor McCaleb presented a Proclamation for October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

There being no corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes of the Pre-Council Session

and Regular City Council Meeting held September 14, 1995, Councilman Drennan moved to approve the minutes as printed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ferguson and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Drennan, Berry, Ferguson, Councilwoman Alexander and Mayor McCaleb.

NAYS: None.

Councilman Ferguson moved to approve consent agenda items 3.1 through 3.4, as recommended by the staff. The motion was seconded by Councilman Berry and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Drennan, Berry, Ferguson, Councilwoman Alexander, and Mayor McCaleb.

NAYS: None.

Resolutions

3.1 Oral Resolution approving contract renewals between Development Corporation of Abilene, Inc. and City of Abilene (Admin. Serv./ARBEC) in the amount of \$528,900; Abilene Industrial Foundation in the amount of \$529,750; Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs in the amount of \$15,000; and Caruth Small Business Development Center in the amount of \$110,000; for a total of \$1,183,650 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract with the City of Abilene.

Bid Awards

3.2 Bus stop passenger shelters, **Bid #CB5069**. The base bid with both options was awarded to Brasco International in the amount of \$32,880, as recommended by staff.

3.3 Updating city elevators at eight locations, **Bid #CB5071**. The contract was awarded to Schlinder Elevator Corporation of Dallas in the amount of \$20,760.50 as recommended by staff.

3.4 Rose Park tennis center court construction, **Bid #CB5076**. The bid was awarded to Rose Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$99,800, as recommended by staff.

REGULAR AGENDA

Public Appearances

4.1 Fred Lee Hughes, Abilene Representative for the West Central Texas Municipal Water District Board of Directors, gave a presentation to the Council concerning a history of the Water District's activities and distributed a copy of the District's financial information to the Council. Mr. Hughes stated he feels the District is meeting their charge and expressed appreciation for having been invited to present information to the Council.

Mayor McCaleb stated his appreciation on behalf of the Council to all board members for their services, as the assurance of an adequate water supply is of utmost importance. He expressed appreciation for the report, directing the City Manager to schedule an updated report to the Council

be presented each year. No Council action was required.

4.2 Fred Jamison, citizen, stated a two part presentation concerning the N. Judge Ely Blvd. & E. N. 16th would be made. Mr. Jamison then introduced his wife who presented the petition and stated the request is that N. Judge Ely be made safer. Mrs. Jamison thanked the businesses that supported the petition and then gave information on several people who had been injured or killed on N. Judge Ely. Following a description of N. Judge Ely's businesses, neighborhood and schools Mrs. Jamison asked that the City Council respond to the petition, signed by 1744 people, in a positive way. Mr. Jamison then presented part two of the presentation concerning the mechanics of the petition which addressed specific requests by the petitioners. Mr. Jamison distributed to the Council packets of information summarizing the requests.

Mayor McCaleb stated his and the Council's appreciation to the Jamison's for the presentation and mentioned the presentation has been recorded and the submitted information would be given to the appropriate staff. The Mayor assured the petitioners that N. Judge Ely would be studied in order to determine if the area could be made safer and in fact, the Mayor stated, staff has already been asked by the City Manager and himself to review the situation. No Council action was required.

Due to a prior engagement Councilman Ferguson left the meeting after this presentation.

4.3 Marva Pritchett, Director of Development Services, presented to the Council a report on the implementation of the Development Services Department's Development Process Center. The center will provide one person as a contact for developers and others needing permits which will eliminate requiring individuals to contact several staff members. Ms. Pritchett stated ribbon cutting for the center will be October 9 and the first full day of operation will be October 10.

City Manager, Lanny Lambert stated this is a two step process. The first was to identify the development process and the second will be to locate building contractors and developers that will assist in reviewing current ordinances and make recommendations to better the process.

Mayor McCaleb commended Ms. Pritchett and her staff on their work to provide better service and assistance to our citizens. No Council action was required.

4.4 Mike Hall, Director of Community Services, briefed the Council on the Senior Citizen Needs Assessment Study then introduced Mr. John Wright, due to the absence of Dr. Wayne Ramsey, who presented detailed information on the Senior Citizens' Needs Assessment Study and requested the Council approve the report.

Mr. Jack Harkins, architect, showed slides which he stated are only conceptual drawings of the proposed plans for the new Senior Citizens facility. The estimated cost of the 26,500 sq. ft. one story structure is just under three million dollars.

Mayor McCaleb thanked the committee, Mr. Wright and Mr. Harkins for the presentations. The Mayor stated alternate options in terms of funding would be reviewed and although no action is required on this item the council does accept the report.

Resolutions

4.5 James Condry, Assistant Director of Development Services for Public Works, briefed the Council on an Oral Resolution concerning application for permit to drill and operate oil and/or gas well within the city limits.

Mayor McCaleb opened a Public Hearing on the item and with no one present and desiring to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Berry moved to approve by Oral Resolution the application for permit to drill and operate oil and/or gas well within the city limits and authorize the City Manager to execute Permit No. 9501, as recommended by staff. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alexander and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Drennan, Berry, Councilwoman Alexander, and Mayor McCaleb.

NAYS: None.

Ordinances

4.6 10:15 a.m. - Carl Lockett, Assistant Director of Development Services for Planning, briefed the Council on the first reading of the Wylie High School Annexation Ordinance. Mr. Lockett stated second reading of the Ordinance and the public hearing is scheduled for the 9:00 a.m., November 16, 1995 Council meeting.

Councilman Drennan moved to approve first reading of the Wylie High School Annexation Ordinance, and set a public hearing for November 16, 1995 at 9:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Berry and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Drennan, Berry, Councilwoman Alexander, and Mayor McCaleb.

NAYS: None.

Other Business

5.2 Mayor McCaleb stated there was no need for an executive session but he did request the City Council approve his appointment of members to the Library Task Force. The Mayor stated the Council does have the list of recommended names and that each Councilmember did assist in selecting the names. The Mayor also noted that each citizen that was asked to serve on the Task Force had accepted the appointment and the few that didn't had stated they couldn't due to other obligations. The names of the Library Task Force members could be obtained from Mike Hall.

Councilman Berry made a motion to approve the members appointed, by Mayor McCaleb,

to the Library Task Force. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alexander and the motion carried.

AYES: Councilmen Drennan, Berry, Councilwoman Alexander, and Mayor McCaleb.

NAYS: None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Jo Moore
City Secretary

Gary D. McCaleb
Mayor

