This is to certify that in conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, public notice of the date, time and place of this meeting was filed with the City Clerk of Durant on the 17th day of November, 2016 and that an agenda of said meeting was posted at the place of such meeting at 5:00 p.m.on the 8th day of September, 2017.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE DURANT CITY COUNCIL OF September 12, 2017 AT 6:00 PM, Roscoe J. Hatfield Council Chambers, 300 West Evergreen, Durant, Oklahoma

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

James Dalton provided the invocation. Vice Mayor Chad Hitchcock led the flag salute.

Mayor Tomlinson thanked the city manager and his staff for their time and effort to live-stream city council meetings with the first broadcast being this evening.

Mayor Tomlinson asked that everyone remember the victims of hurricanes in Texas and Florida.

Mayor Tomlinson asked Fire Chief Roger Joines to speak. Chief Joines stated three swift water technicians went to Houston and were followed by a second team. Chief Joines thanked James Dalton for his assistance in coordinating these efforts. Police Chief David Houser stated his department provided transportation for the boat crews and boats. The FOP took trailers down filled with supplies. Several officers donated their own time. Mayor Tomlinson added the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma flew down emergency management personnel and supplies to the State of Florida.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Destry Hawthorne	City Attorney Tom Marcum
Council Member Oden Grube	City Manager Tim Rundel
Council Member Mike Dills	City Clerk Cynthia J. Price
Vice-Mayor Chad Hitchcock	
Mayor Jerry Tomlinson	

Absent: None (*denotes partial attendance)

Mayor Tomlinson declared a quorum.

1. Presentations

a. Presentation of Citizen Commendation From Durant Police Department

Police Chief David Houser presented a Commendation to Sgt. Bryan Moore for his proposed traffic flow plan for slowing traffic in the highly congested area of Durant Intermediate School.

Police Chief Houser and Sgt. Moore presented a Citizen Commendation to Carrie Walker for offering community involvement, a plan of action, a solution and a servant's heart for the community. Ms. Walker offered to have signs made up and paid for herself. She volunteered to draft maps and get word out through social media. Police Chief Houser also thanked James Young and his crews for their work on this project. Durant Independent School District Superintendent Duane Meredith addressed council to express thanks and stated the traffic flow has been helped as a result of this project.

b. Presentation of Proclamation Designating October 4, 2017 as the 10th Annual 'Durant Walk and Roll to School Day' in the City of Durant

Mayor Tomlinson read the proclamation designating October 4, 2017 as the 10th Annual Durant Walk and Roll to School Day. Durant Independent School District Superintendent Duane Meredith addressed council and thanked Rebecca Collins who wrote the grant for the City of Durant. Superintendent Meredith stated there is a great partnership between the City of Durant and schools and he appreciates the City of Durant very much. Mayor Tomlinson and Superintendent Meredith then presented the proclamation together.

2. Consent Items

To help streamline meetings and allow the focus to be on other items requiring strategic thought, the "Consent Items" portion of the agenda groups the routine, procedural, and self-explanatory non-controversial items together. These items are voted on in a single motion (one vote). However, any Council member requesting further information on a specific item thus removes it from the "Consent Items" section for individual attention and separate vote.

a. Consider Approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2017

b. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2017

c. Consider Approval of Claims for August 2017

d. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment 2017-08 for FY16/17

Budget

e. Consider Approval of Increase of Request for Authorization to Purchase Approval Amount from $2,000 to $2,500 to Match State Purchasing Guidelines

f. Consider Approval of Special Event Permit Application for Downtown Game Night for Southeastern Homecoming Sponsored by Durant Main Street (SEP-2017-31)

g. Consider Approval of Special Event Permit Application for 3rd Annual Trooper Nicholas "Nickeldoo" Dees Memorial Run to be held January 27, 2018 (SEP-2017-30)

h. Consider Approval of Special Event Permit Application for Cub Scout Mobile Sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 615 (SEP-2017-32)

i. Consider Recommendation from Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group To Deny Tort Claim and Take Possible Action

j. Consider Approval of Request for Authorization to Purchase for Ford F350 Cab and Chassis 4WD with Dump Bed (RFAP #2018-024)

k. Consider Approval of Contract Between Karr Tuckpointing and City of Durant for Resurfacing of City Hall Building (C-2017-58)

l. Consider Approval of Request of Authorization for Fiber Optic Wide Area Network Agreement with Vyve at $2400 per Month (RFAP-2018-047)

m. Consider Approval of Lease Quote With Dell Financial Services Ref: RFAP 2018-027

n. Consider Acceptance of $1000 Donation from XTO Energy

o. Consider Acceptance of Oklahoma Highway Safety Office Traffic Safety Grant PT-18-03-08-15 In The Amount Of $41,300

p. Consider Placing Traffic Buttons in 3400 Block of West Main Detering Traffic From Making Improper Left Turn Into WalMart

q. Consider Approval to Adjust Speed Limit on Washington Street from

35 mph to 40 mph

r. Consider Acceptance of a $500 Donation from Woodmen Life for the purpose of assisting with Hurricane Harvey Relief Effort Cost

s. Consider Approval of Authorization to Accept Oklahoma Homeland Security Grant #755.032 for Repair of the SSD Hard Drive on the Rapid Deployable Communications Trailer #2 in the amount of $790.

t. Consideration To Accept Donated Cash Match Funds From The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, A Local Community Partner, To Be Utilized Specifically Towards The Match Requirement For The 2016 Our Town Grant # 16-4292-7067 From The National Endowment For The Arts (NEA) To Create And Design An Arts District Within The 9th Avenue Corridor. (C-2016-55).

u. Consideration To Accept Donated Cash Match Funds From The Commercial Metals Company - CMC Steel Oklahoma, LLC., A Local Community Partner, To Be Utilized Specifically Towards The Match Requirement For The 2016 Our Town Grant # 16-4292-7067 From The National Endowment For The Arts (NEA) To Create And Design An Arts District Within The 9th Avenue Corridor. (C-2016-55)

Approved

Mayor Tomlinson asked that Items 2(f), 2(h), 2(n) 2(r), 2(t) and 2(u) be removed for further discussion.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Oden Grube to approve remaining consent items as presented. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

3. Consider Items Removed from Consent

3(f) - Stephanie Gardner, Executive Director of Durant Main Street, addressed council and invited everyone to attend this event on October 5, 2017 at Market Square. Downtown Game Night begins immediately after the joint Durant High School and Southeastern Oklahoma State University Homecoming parades. There will be food trucks and a live band.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Special Event Permit Application for Downtown Game Night for Southeastern Homecoming sponsored by Durant Main Street (SEP-2017-31). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

3(h) - Mayor Tomlinson stated this is the annual Pine Box Derby.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Special Event Permit Application for Cub Scout Mobile sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 615 (SEP-2017-32). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

3(n) - Fire Chief Roger Joines addressed council and stated XTO Energy donates to several departments in the county to support the departments and pass along goodwill.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to accept $1000 donation from XTO Energy. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

3(r) - James Dalton, Director of Emergency Management Services, addressed council and stated Woodmen Life would like to defray some of the costs that FEMA is not going to reimburse. Mr. Dalton said when the FOP was delivering water, they had three tire blowouts. The funds will be used to cover that cost as well as buying powdered Gatorade that can be mixed with water for future use.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to accept $500 donation from Woodmen Life for the purpose of assisting with Hurricane Harvey Relief Effort costs. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

Rebecca Collins, Grants Coordinator, addressed council and stated the City of Durant received this $50,000 grant with a $25,000 match. Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma is willing to assist the city with a donation of $12,500,

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to accept donated cash match funds in the amount of $12,500 from the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, a local community partner, to be utilized specifically towards the match requirement fro the 2016 Our Town Grant #16-4292-7067 from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to create and design an Arts District within the 9th Avenue Corridor (C-2016-55). Motion Passed with the

following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

Rebecca Collins, Grants Coordinator, addressed council and stated the City of Durant received this $50,000 grant with a $25,000 match. Commercial Metals Company - CMC Steel Oklahoma, LLC., is willing to assist the city with a donation of $12,500,

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to accept donated cash match funds in the amount of $1,000 from Commercial Metals Company - CMC Steel Oklahoma, LLC., a local community partner, to be utilized specifically towards the match requirement for the 2016 Our Town Grant #16-4292-7067 from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to create and design an Arts District within the 9th Avenue Corridor (C-2016-55). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

4. Administration

a. Consider Approval of Request For Authorization To Purchase RFAP # 2018-035 In The Amount of $ 75,000 For Architectural Services Relating To The 2016 Our Town Grant # 16-4292-7067 From The National Endowment For The Arts (NEA) To Create And Design An Arts District Within The 9th Avenue Corridor. (C-2016-55)

Approved

Rebecca Collins, Grants Coordinator, addressed council and stated all match funds are in place. This is a $50,000 grant with a $25,000 match. Contributions towards the match fund total $13,500. The City of Durant would pay the remaining $11,500. Ms. Collins stated that was not the original intent however there are no other match funds available from other sources. Ms. Collins and City Manager Rundel recommended approval.

Motion was made by Mike Dills and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Request for Authorization to Purchase RFAP #2018-035 in the amount of $75,000 for architectural services relating to the 2016 Our Town Grant #16-4292-7067 from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to create and design an Arts District within the 9th Avenue Corridor (C-2016-55). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

b. Consider Approval of Staff Recommendation For Architectural Services (C-2017-39) Related To The 2016 Our Town Grant # 16-4292-7067 (C-2016-55) From The National Endowment For The Arts (NEA) To Create And Design An Arts District Within The 9th Avenue Corridor.

Approved

Rebecca Collins, Grant Coordinator, addressed council and stated the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival and the Durant Area Chamber of Commerce are the cultural partners on this project. Ms. Collins stated an extensive Request for Proposal was conducted. Blue Star Integrative Studio is the only architect who submitted a proposal . Ms. Collins recommends Blue Star Integrative Studio.

Motion was made by Mike Dills and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve recommendation of Blue Star Integrative Studio for architectural services (C-2017-39) related to the 2016 Our Town Grant #16-4292-7067 (C-2016-55) from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to create and design an Arts District within the 9th Avenue Corridor. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

c. Consideration To Approve The Request For Authorization To Purchase RFAP # 2018-053 In The Amount of $ 22,568 For Costs Relating To The 2016 FEMA Assistance To Firefighters Grant (AFG) EMW-2016-FO-04774 (C-2017-37) To Purchase Turnout Gear Dryers For Each Of The Three (3) Stations For The Durant Fire Department.

Approved

Fire Chief Roger Joines and Grant Administrator Rebecca Collins addressed council and stated the dryers would speed up drying time, not expose the gear to UV rays and expand the lifetime of the gear. A dryer will be placed in each station. Bryan County fire tax money will be used for the matching funds.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Mike Dills to approve the Request for Authorization to Purchase RFAP# 2018-053 in the amount of $22,568 for costs relating to the 2016 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) EMW-2016-FO-04774 (C-2017-37) to purchase turnout gear dryers for each of the three (3) stations for the Durant Fire Department. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

d. Consideration To Award OK State Contract # SW17241 To Casco Industries, Inc. Related To The 2016 FEMA Assistance To Firefighters Grant (AFG) EMW-2016-FO-04774 (C-2017-37) In The Amount of

$21,147.22 To Purchase Three (3) Ramair Turnout Gear Dryers.

Approved

Fire Chief Roger Joines and Grant Administrator Rebecca Collins stepped forward.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Oden Grube to award OK State Contract #SW17241 to Casco Industries, Inc. related to the 2016 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) EMW-2016-FO-04774 (C-2017-37) in the amount of $21,147.22 to purchase three (3) Ramair Turnout Gear Dryers. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

e. Consideration To Award Or Reject Sealed Bid RFB # 2017- 022 A For Geogrid Materials Related To 16753 CDBG 16 Small Cities Street Improvements Project (C-2016-81).

No Action Taken

f. Consideration To Award Or Reject Sealed Bid RFB # 2017- 022 B For Base Rock Materials Related To 16753 CDBG 16 Small Cities Street Improvement Project (C-2016-81).

Approved

Rebecca Collins, Grants Administrator, addressed council and stated there were two bidders. The low bidder was Owner Operators. Ms. Collins recommended award to Owner Operators.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to award Sealed Bid RFB #2017-022 B for Base Rock Materials to Owner Operators for base rock materials related to 16753 CDBG 16 Small Cities Street Improvement Project (C-2016-81). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

g. Consideration To Award Or Reject Sealed Bid RFB # 2017- 022 C For Concrete Materials Related To 16753 CDBG 16 Small Cities Street Improvement Project (C-2016-81).

Approved

Rebecca Collins, Grant Coordinator, addressed council and stated there were two bids. Ms. Collins recommended RK Hall Construction LLC dba Rustin Concrete.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Oden Grube to award Sealed Bid RFB #2017-022 C to RK Hall Construction LLC dba Rustin Concrete for concrete materials related to 16753 CDBG 16 Small Cities Street Improvement Project (C-2016-81). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

h. Consider Approval of Ordinance 1835 Enacting and Adopting Supplement S-9 to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Durant

Approved

City Clerk Cynthia Price addressed council.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Ordinance 1835, Sections 1 and 2, enacting and adopting Supplement S-9 to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Durant. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Ordinance 1835, Section 3 - Emergency Clause. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

i. Consider Approval of Mayor's Recommendations for Appointment to Durant Community Facilities Authority

Approved

Mayor Tomlinson addressed council and recommended reappointment of Position 2 - Anne Tuttle. Position 3 - Chad Hitchcock; Position 5 - Chris Pierce, Position 9 - Sean Burrage; and appointment of Kelly Dillard to Position 6 to the Durant Community Facilities Authority.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve Mayor's recommendation for reappointment of Position 2 - Anne Tuttle. Position 3 - Chad Hitchcock; Position 5 - Chris Pierce, Position 9 - Sean Burrage; and appointment of Kelly Dillard - Position 6 to the Durant Community Facilities Authority. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

j. Consider Approval of City Equipment Policy Revision

Approved

Deputy City Manager Donnalla Miller addressed council and stated the proposed City Equipment Policy Revisions do not affect the current policy of the police department allowing officers to take their police units home. It was brought to the attention of administration that some employees that were not on call and some who lived in excess of thirty miles away were taking vehicles home each day. The proposed revision would allow an employee to take a city vehicle home at the discretion of the city manager. A department head would communicate with the city manager if there were an emergency, inclement weather or seasonal issues and it would be evaluated on a case by case basis and could be allowed for a specified amount of time.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve City Equipment Policy Revision as amended striking on the second line into the third line 'city vehicle may not'. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

k. Consider Approval of Recommendation for Award of Bid for Asphalt

Approved

James Young, Street Superintendent, stated bid notices were sent to three vendors and advertised in the Durant Daily Democrat and on the city website. Two bids were received. Mr. Young recommended Overland Corporation be awarded the bid.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to award bid for asphalt to Overland Corporation. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

l. Consider Award of Bid for City for Garage Addition

Approved

Marty Pope,Community Development, addressed council and stated this bid was advertised in the Durant Daily Democrat and posted on the city website. One bid was received from Marlow Construction. Mr. Pope recommends award of this bid to Marlow Construction.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Oden Grube to award bid to Marlow Construction in the amount of $63,360 for City Garage addition.

Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

m. Consider Adoption by Resolution #2017-19 the 2017-2018 Bryan County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)

Approved

James Dalton, Emergency Management Services Director, addressed council and stated the Bryan County Commissioners approved this 2017-2018 Bryan County Emergency Operations Plan at their last meeting. Since Durant is part of Bryan County it is being requested that the proposed plan be adopted by resolution since emergency response would be the same whether city or county.

Motion was made by Oden Grube and seconded by Mike Dills to approve adoption of Resolution 2017-19 for the 2017-2018 Bryan County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

n. Consider Adoption by Resolution #2017-20 of the Bryan County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Approved

James Dalton, Emergency Management Services Director, stated each county in the State of Oklahoma is required to have a Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Hazard Mitigation Plans avails us to get FEMA funding for disaster reimbursement. When a hazard is identified through the Hazard Mitigation Plan and we look to find a mitigation effort, the City of Durant could, with approval from FEMA, be eligible for a 75/25 grant through FEMA where FEMA pays 75% and the City of Durant pays 25% which would include in-kind labor. The Bryan County Hazard Mitigation Plan has already been approved by the Bryan County Commissioners. Mr. Dalton thanked Ken Eppler for his work on this project.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Mike Dills to approve Resolution 2017-20 for the Bryan County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

o. Consider Approval of Contract For Network Fleet by Verizon To Provide Global Positioning Systems For Public Works and City

Administration Vehicles At State Contract Pricing (C-2017-59)

Approved

Jacque Wilson, Public Works Director, addressed council and stated the global positioning system is being requested for 40 of the 56 Public Works vehicles. It is being requested for operational tracking and health management.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to approve contract for Network Fleet by Verizon to provide Global Positioning Systems for Public Works and City Administration vehicles at state contract pricing (C-2017-59). Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Dills, Tomlinson
Nays: Grube

p. Consider Rejecting Durant Industrial Authority's (DIA) Quit Claim Deed Submitted to the City of for the Property that is Currently Occupied by the Southwest Pickling Company

Approved

Jacque Wilson, Public Works Director, addressed council and stated the quit claim deed was presented to the City of Durant by the Durant Industrial Authority for transfer of land for the use of the city. Mr. Wilson has been working with Marty Pope to assess the value of the structures and the land itself. Mr. Wilson recommended that the quit claim deed be rejected at this time until the Durant Industrial Authority could give an accounting of where the property lies environmentally and some other issues.

Motion was made by Oden Grube and seconded by Mike Dills to follow recommendation to reject Durant Industrial Authority's (DIA) Quit Claim Deed submitted to the City of Durant for the property that is currently occupied by the Southwest Pickling Company. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

q. Consider Approval of a Lease Agreement Between the City of Durant and KVFI Enterprises, LLC (C-2017-56)

Disapproved

Jacque Wilson, Public Works Director, addressed council and stated his research shows that other city properties have not been put out for bid in the past so this pattern is consistent. City Attorney Tom Marcum stated the proposed lease is in order. Crystal Moore addressed council and stated they provided a budget to council which clarifies all expenses for repairs. Mr. Wilson recommended approval of the lease agreement.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Jerry Tomlinson to approve lease agreement between the City of Durant and KVFI Enterprises, LLC (C-2017-56). Motion Failed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Tomlinson
Nays: Hitchcock, Grube, Dills

5. Public Hearings

a. Consideration of Ordinance # 1833, Requesting a Rezoning from Agriculture (A-1) to the Two-Family Residentail (R-2) for Property Located at 1110 N. 49th Street

Disapproved

Marty Cook, Community Development Manager, addressed council and stated this zoning request meets all requirements of the City of Durant Zoning Code. Mr. Cook stated a couple of letters have been received and provided to council. The Planning Commission approved the zoning change request with a 3-2 vote. City Manager Tim Rundel stated a long term drainage and hydrology study should be conducted for future planning. Hearing opened to public.

James Corley spoke in opposition to proposed zoning change.
Anthony Pate spoke in opposition to proposed zoning change.
Betty Colclazier spoke in opposition to proposed zoning change.
Zachary Everett, potential purchaser of the property, stated he would like to develop the property into a gated senior citizen community with clubhouse.

There were three calls for further comment from the public. Public hearing closed.

Motion was made by Destry Hawthorne and seconded by Chad Hitchcock to deny Ordinance 1833 requesting a rezoning from Agriculture (A-1) to Two Family Residential (R-2) for property located at 1110 N. 49th Street. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

b. Public Hearing For The 2017 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development (CDBG-ED) Application Phase Relating To The Publicly Owned Water Distribution and Sewer Collection Infrastructure Improvements Project In The Amount Of $1,000,000

Serving The SteelFab, Inc. Facility Operations To Create New Jobs Located At 446 County Club Road.

1. Consideration To Approve Resolution 2017-21 For Approval To Submit The 2017 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Application To Oklahoma Department Of Commerce For Publicly Owned Infrastructure Improvements Serving The SteelFab, Inc. Facility Located At 446 Country Club Road.

2. Consideration To Authorize The Mayor To Sign Related Grant Application Documents Necessary To Complete The 2017 CDBG-ED Application For The Publicly Owned Infrastructure Improvements Project Serving SteelFab, Inc. Facility.

Approved

Rebecca Collins, Grant Coordinator, addressed council and requested those in attendance sign the sign-in sheet being circulated. Ms. Collins stated this is a $1,000,000 grant for water distribution and waste water collection system improvements for the SteelFab Inc. plant. This project will help create 90 new jobs that will meet the Oklahoma Quality Jobs criteria. No cash match or inkind labor or equipment. Opened to public. Three calls for comments from the public. Public hearing closed.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Mike Dills to approve Resolution 2017-21 to submit the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Application to Oklahoma Department of Commerce for publicly owned infrastructure improvements serving the SteelFab, Inc. facility located at 446 Country Club Road. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

Rebecca Collins, Grant Coordinator, addressed council.

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to authorize the mayor to sign related grant application documents necessary to complete the 2017 CDBG-ED application for the publicly owned infrastructure improvements project serving the SteelFab, Inc. facility. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

6. Information Items

a. August, 2017 Sales Tax Breakdown & July, 2017 Financial Statements

b. Airport Manager's Monthly Report - August 2017

c. City Clerk Monthly Report - August 2017

d. Community Development Monthly Report for August 2017

e. Emergency Management Report - August 2017

f. Fire Department Monthly Report August 2017

g. Fire Department - Hurricane Harvey Response Update

Fire Chief Roger Joines showed photos of the crews in Texas assisting in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. Chief Joines thanked Emergency Management Services Director James Dalton, Police Chief David Houser and the FOP.

h. Grants Department Report August 2017

i. Human Resources Monthly Report August 2017

j. Landfill Information & Reports - August 2017

City Manager Tim Rundel stated that he, Public Works Director Jacque Wilson and Landfill Supervisor Zefe Laborico have met with two of the primary rolloff customers. It was decided the rolloffs being used within the city limits will be marked with a city seal with the city permit displayed on the side. Mr. Wilson stated he is working with a sign company to get stenciling and expected it would be implemented in October 2017.

k. Library Report for August 2017

l. Parks/Durant Multi Sports Complex Report -September 2017

m. Police Department Monthly Report - July 2017

n. Solid Waste Collection Report - August 2017

o. Street Department Report August 2017

p. Utility Office Monthly Summary Report - July 2017

Frank Crawford, President of Crawford & Associates, P.C., addressed council to provide a brief summation of his findings from the audit of the Utility Billing Department. Mr. Crawford stated the audit focused on September 1, 2016 through June 1, 2017 and approximately 35,000 bills were recalculated. Mr. Crawford stated 95% of those bills ended up recalculating on a zero variance which means there was no issue with the system or the billings being manipulated. The remaining 5% of bills were related to rounding issues of less than 20 cents per bill. Mr. Crawford stated his company compiled a written report and recommendations. Mr. Crawford stated there is no way for him to know if the meter readings are accurate but there are no material trends to suggest they are not. City Manager Rundel stated he would be addressing council within the next year to propose an automated reading system which will allow the meters to be read on a wireless basis. City Manager Rundel further stated he will be bringing policy recommendations before the council at the next regular meeting.

q. Waste Water Treatment Plant and Laboratory Monthly Report - August 2017

r. Water Treatment Plant Monthly Operation Reports - August 2017

7. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Janet Reed - thanked council for serving the city.
Marti Phillips - submitted a statement to council in support of the city.
Pam Robinson - thanked community businesses for stepping up to help others in need.
Kara Byrd - stated her appreciation for the community and city council.
Stephanie Gardner - provided handout to council of Durant Main Street and community accomplishments, stated her appreciation for community and thanked council and City of Durant for support of Durant Main Street.
Janie Umsted. stated her appreciation of city council. .
Bryan Moore - Police officer and FOP member - Durant Police Department.

8. Executive Session

a. Consider Executive Session for Confidential Communication with Attorney Concerning a Possible Claim Against City (This Executive Session Authorized by Title 25, Section 307 B (4) of the Oklahoma State Statutes)

Approved

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to

enter executive session. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to re-enter regular session. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson

b. Consider Action Pursuant to 8(a) Above

No Action Taken

9. New Business

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Chad Hitchcock and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to adjourn meeting. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Hawthorne, Hitchcock, Grube, Dills, Tomlinson