

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 COUNTY OF ANDERSON §
 CITY OF PALESTINE §

The City Council of the City of Palestine, Texas convened in a Worksession and Regular Meeting on Monday, November 24, 2008 at 4:30 PM, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas, with the following people present:

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| CAROLYN SALTER | : | MAYOR |
| KATHI MASONHEIMER | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| VERNON DENMON, JR. | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| VICKEY L. CHIVERS | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| JIM YELVERTON | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| ANDREA BAIRD | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| STEVE PRESLEY | : | COUNCILMEMBER |
| R. DALE BROWN | : | CITY MANAGER |
| JANELLE WILLIAMS | : | CITY SECRETARY |
| RONALD D. STUTES | : | CITY ATTORNEY |

All Councilmembers were in attendance; a quorum of the Council was present.

WORKSESSION

Discussion of Solid Waste Contract

Discussion was held regarding a solid waste contract. Visitors included in the discussion were Bob Stays of Everitt Griffith, along with Randy Plat and Chuck Week of Frontage Services. Areas of discussion included the need for a more efficient solid waste collection system, including the transfer station and a recycling program.

Review of Texas Municipal League and National League of Cities Conferences

Information from the NLC Conference regarding power plants that burn solid waste to generate electricity was provided by Councilmember Baird.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Salter called the regular meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Councilmember Denmon, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mayor Salter commended Main Street Manager Neely Plumb and Jean Mollard for achieving recognition for the city in the National Main Street Program.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Grash, who resides at 319 Anderson County Road 4631, commented that he will not be building a car wash business in Palestine due to the city's new sign regulations.

Jean Mollard commented that she enjoys historic preservation and does not want the town to be visually cluttered, speaking on beautification with signs in some manner.

Lowell Cook commented on traffic problems at the intersection of Meadowbrook Drive and Loop 256.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing on Historic Landmark Designations

- a) HZC-08-06, 844 North Tennessee Street, Applicant Marie Drolet
- b) HZC-08-07, 111 E. Pine Street, Applicant Eric Cates
- c) HZC-08-08, 1105 North Sycamore Street, Applicants Sid and Linda Walton
- d) HZC-08-09, 207 W. Reagan Street, Applicant Marie Drolet

Mayor Salter opened the public hearing. With no speakers for or against the landmark designations, the public hearing was closed.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Reports for Fire, Library, and Development Services Departments were provided.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Masonheimer, seconded by Councilmember Baird, to appoint Rick Black Elk to Arts Advisory Board. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

OPEN BIDS

Bids for Crack Seal Project (Bid #2009-07) were received and opened by the Council as follows:

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| Rainbow Sealcoat, Inc., Tyler, Texas | \$48,000.00 |
| Reynolds & Kay, Ltd., Tyler, Texas | \$53,900.00 |
| L & L Asphalt Corp., Tyler, Texas | \$64,300.00 |

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Consider Approval of Quarterly Investment Policy
- 2) Consider an Ordinance Designating 844 North Tennessee Street as a Palestine Historic Landmark
- 3) Consider an Ordinance Designating 111 E. Pine Street as a Palestine Historic Landmark
- 4) Consider an Ordinance Designating 1105 North Sycamore Street as a Palestine Historic Landmark
- 5) Consider an Ordinance Designating 207 W. Reagan Street as a Palestine Historic Landmark
- 6) Consider an Ordinance Amending Airport Rules and Regulations

Motion was made by Councilmember Yelverton, seconded by Councilmember Chivers, to approve Consent Items 1 through 6 as presented, adopting **Ordinance No.'s O-83-08, O-84-08, O-85-08, and O-86-08**. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA**Consider Request by Tracy Smith for Demolition Lien Decrease on Property Located at 208 Juniper Drive**

Motion was made by Mayor Salter, seconded by Councilmember Yelverton, to accept Mr. Smith's offer of \$500.00 as settlement for a demolition lien on property located at 208 Juniper Drive, with the condition that he begin construction of a new residence within three years or pay an additional \$1,000.00. Upon vote, motion passed 6-1, with Councilmember Baird voting nay.

Consider Accepting Quote for Replacement of Natural Gas Lines and Regulator at the Civic Center

Motion was made by Councilmember Presley, seconded by Councilmember Yelverton, to accept the quote from Cooper and Cooper in the amount of \$9,800.00 for installing a gas service line and gas regulators at the Civic Center. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Consider an Ordinance Prohibiting Skateboarding in Designated Areas of the City

Motion was made by Councilmember Denmon, seconded by Councilmember Masonheimer, to adopt **Ordinance No. O-88-08** as presented. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of a Solid Waste Contract between the City of Palestine and Frontage Services, Inc. and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Contract

Motion was made by Councilmember Denmon, seconded by Councilmember Yelverton, to approve the agreement between the City of Palestine and Frontage Services, Inc. to permit, build and operate a Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center for the City of Palestine and authorize the City Manager to execute such agreement. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL**Upcoming Activities and Report on Attendance at Texas State Railroad**

Councilmember Presley reported that attendance was good for Polar Express, with reservations for 21,000 riders as compared to last year's ridership of 18,000. He also reported that hotels have been full as a result.

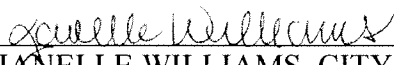
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Baird to adjourn. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Salter declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.



 CAROLYN SALTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



 JANELLE WILLIAMS, CITY SECRETARY