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Wendy Ellis, City Manager  
Teresa Herrera, City Secretary  
Ronald D. Stutes, City Attorney

Therrell Thomas, Mayor

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

**Monday, April 13, 2015**

**Work Session @ 4:30 p.m., City Hall Conference Room**

**Regular Meeting @ 5:30 p.m., City Council Chambers**

**504 N. Queen Street**

**Palestine, Texas**

**WORK SESSION - 4:30**

- 1) Discussion regarding amendments to Section 22-41 and Section 22-44 of the Palestine Code of Ordinances adopting the 2012 Edition of the International Plumbing Code, 2012 Edition of the International Mechanical Code, and 2012 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Code with local amendments

**REGULAR MEETING - 5:30**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation followed by Pledge of Allegiance

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS, PUBLIC RECOGNITION, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) Recognition of Mount Vernon AME Church for ongoing efforts to restore their historic church sanctuary, resulting in inclusion to Preservation Texas' 2015 Most Endangered places list, which brings state and nationwide attention to the historic significance of the church as one of the oldest standing AME buildings within the State of Texas
- 2) Recognition of Citizens on Patrol for their donation to Police Department
- 3) National Library Week Proclamation
- 4) Mayor's High School Art Award

**D. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES**

**E. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**F. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL**

- 1) Update on Attendance, Upcoming Activities, and Future Development at the Texas State Railroad
- 2) Update on South End Preservation
- 3) Update on Community Events

**G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- 1) City Attorney Fees
- 2) Departmental Report
  - a) Angel of Grief Status
  - b) Municipal Court
  - c) Fire
  - d) Library
  - e) Public Works
  - f) Economic Development
  - g) Facility and Mall
  - h) Police CID
  - i) Police Patrol 2014 Annual Report

**H. BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

- 1) Consider appointment of Linda Dickens to fill unexpired term to place 6 to the Palestine Economic Development Corporation replacing Odell Magee

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Items shall be considered for action as a whole, unless one or more Councilmembers objects. Approval of the consent agenda authorized the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendations.

- 1) Consider a Resolution appointing Election Workers for the May 9, 2015, City Officer Election
- 2) Consider approval of the sale of property located at the South West intersection of S. Loop 256 and Old Elkhart Road

**J. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1) Consider an Ordinance adopting the following construction codes with amendments being effective May 1, 2015, 1) the 2012 Edition of the International Plumbing Code; 2) the 2012 Edition of the International Mechanical Code; and 3) the 2012 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Code
- 2) Consider an Ordinance approving a Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 for Main Street
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**K. CLOSED SESSION**

Council will go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 551.072 regarding real estate.

- 1) Discussion of possible sale of City owned real estate

**L. RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION**

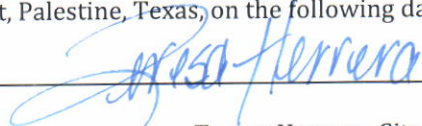
- 1) Take any action necessary regarding the possible sale of City owned real estate

**M. ADJOURN**

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the main entrance to City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas, on the following date and time:

Friday, April 10, 2015 *at 4:00 p.m.*



Teresa Herrera, City Secretary

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## PROCLAMATION

### National Library Week 2015, April 12-18

- WHEREAS,** libraries create potential and possibilities within their communities, campuses and schools; and
- WHEREAS,** libraries level the playing field for all who seek information and access to technologies;
- WHEREAS,** libraries continuously grow and evolve in how they provide for the needs of every member of their communities; and
- WHEREAS,** libraries and librarians open up a world of possibilities through innovative STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) programing, job-seeking resources and the power of reading; and
- WHEREAS,** librarians are trained, tech-savvy professionals, providing technology training and access to downloadable content like e-books; and
- WHEREAS,** libraries support democracy and effect social change through their commitment to provide equitable access to information for all library users; and
- WHEREAS,** libraries, librarians, library workers, and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Therrell Thomas, Mayor of the City of Palestine, proclaim National Library Week, April 12-18, 2015. I encourage all residents to visit the library this week to take advantage of the wonderful library resources available @ your library. Unlimited possibilities @ your library.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Palestine, Texas, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

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Therrell Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa Herrera, City Secretary