STATE OF TEXAS
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CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 5th day of April 2011, the Amarillo Local Government Corporation met at 11:30 a.m. on the Third Floor, Room 306, City Hall, 509 E. 7th Avenue. The Board of Directors present were Gary Pitner, Richard Brown, Glenn Parkey, Les Simpson, Commissioner Brian Eades, Commissioner Ron Boyd and Commissioner Jim Simms. Also in attendance were Jarrett Atkinson, City Manager, Dean Frigo, Assistant City Manager of Finance, Vicki Covey, Assistant City Manager of Community Services, Marcus Norris, City Attorney, Kelley Shaw, Planning Director, Melissa Daily, Executive Director of Downtown Amarillo, Inc. and Donna DeRight, City Secretary.

ITEM 1: The meeting was called to order by Jarrett Atkinson, City Manager. He explained that the Corporation was created to explore the feasibility of downtown projects, expedite and facilitate construction, determine the proper financing of the projects and provide recommendations to the City Commission.

ITEM 2: Mr. Atkinson advised that officers needed to be appointed for a one-year terms. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and unanimously carried, to appoint Gary Pitner as President. Motion was made by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Simms, and unanimously carried, to appoint Richard Brown as Vice-President. Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Mr. Parkey, and unanimously carried, to appoint the Assistant City Manager of Finance as the Treasurer and the City Secretary as the Secretary for the board.

ITEM 3: Mr. Norris reviewed the Texas Open Meetings Act and Public Information Act. He reviewed the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Resolution, Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. He also reviewed Subchapter D, Chapter 431, of the Texas Transportation Code, the Texas Nonprofit Corporation Law, Chapter 22, Business Organization Code, Section 22.001, the Section 101.001, Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, a Local Government Corporation Summary, and the "Guidebook for Directors of Nonprofit Corporations". The Directors expressed the possible need for Director Liability Insurance and Mr. Frigo advised that information regarding insurance would be provided to them at a future meeting. It was noted that the fiscal year has been set for October 1 to September 30 and the annual meeting should be held in October with the appointment of the officers to be made at that meeting. Mr. Atkinson stated that the projects set out in the resolution passed by the City Commission for the Corporation to explore include, a downtown hotel, parking garage and multi-purpose entertainment venue.

ITEM 4: Mr. Pitner advised that Article II, Section 1, of the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Bylaws required the initial Directors to randomly draw for staggered terms of office. He stated that four Directors will draw for three-year terms and three Directors will draw for two-year terms and upon expiration of these staggered terms, the terms of office for all Directors will be three years. The Directors drawing for three-year terms were Commissioner Simms, Mr. Simpson, Commissioner Eades and Mr. Parkey. The Directors drawing for two-year terms were Mr. Brown, Mr. Pitner and Commissioner Boyd.

ITEM 5: Mr. Pitner presented a resolution to establish the time and location of regular meetings of the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Board of Directors. It was stated that for the month of April the meetings are set for April 12th and 19th at 11:30 a.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, Room 306. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Eades, that the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Board of Directors regular meetings be held on the First and Third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. on the Third Floor, Room 306, City Hall, 509 S. E. 7th Avenue beginning in May, 2011, and include in the resolution that the Annual Meeting of the Corporation be held in October of each year, and the following captioned resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 1

A RESOLUTION SETTING OUT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE REGULAR AND ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE AMARILLO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Voting AYE were Mr. Pitner, Mr. Brown, Mr. Parkey, Mr. Simpson, Commissioner Eades, Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Simms; voting NO were none; the motion carried by a 7:0 vote of the Board of Directors.

ITEM 6: Mr. Pitner stated that Article II, Section 1 of the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Bylaws provide for the appointment of ex-officio non-voting members at the discretion of the Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and unanimously carried, to appoint the Executive Director of Downtown Amarillo, Inc. as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Board.

ITEM 7: Mr. Pitner presented an item to consider a policy regarding the conduct of Public Forums. Mr. Parkey suggested it be done as time allows. Commissioner Eades commented that time should always be allowed because if people come to the meeting expecting to have an opportunity to speak then they should be allowed time to speak. Alan Abraham, a citizen in attendance, asked if the public would be able to comment on agenda items. Mr. Pitner commented that continuity with this board and what is done at the City Commission meetings might be best. Motion was made by Commissioner Simms, seconded by Mr. Brown, and unanimously carried, to adopt the Speaker Appearance Registration format used at the City Commission meetings.

ITEM 8: Mr. Pitner stated that Resolution 03-22-11-2 of the Amarillo City Commission establishes the Amarillo Local Government Corporation to explore the feasibility of three specific initial projects and they are a downtown convention hotel, parking garage, and multi-purpose entertainment venue. It was stated that Wallace Bajjali Development Partners would be at the Local Government Corporation Board meeting next week to provide an update on each of the projects. Ms. Daily advised that RFQ's have been prepared for each of the projects and are on the Downtown Amarillo, Inc. website. Mr. Pitner advised that it is important that this body understand the agreement between the City of Amarillo and Wallace Bajjali Development Partners. Several of the Directors requested a copy of the agreement. It was stated that the Local Government Corporation will bring together the work of the City Commission, other boards and the citizens. Ms. Daily commented that in the next sixty days there will be public workshops for discussions on these projects before the City Commission makes the final decision.

ITEM 9: Mr. Pitner announced that the Amarillo Local Government Corporation Board of Directors will meet on April 12th and 19th at 11:30 a.m. at City Hall, Third Floor, Room 306.

ITEM 10: Motion was made by Commissioner Eades, seconded by Mr. Simpson, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting.

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Gary Pitner, President

ATTEST:

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Donna DeRight, Secretary