

**MINUTES  
CITY OF AMES  
304 MARTIN DR. – AMES, TEXAS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 10, 2025  
6:00 PM**

The City Council for the City of Ames, Texas held a meeting at the Ames City Hall at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Michael Trahan called the meeting to order at that time. Mayor Pro Tem Trahan conducted the roll call, at this time the members of the City Council who were present were: Mayor Pro Tem Trahan, Councilwoman Elizabeth “Liz” Hardy, Councilman Eddie White, and Councilwoman Audrey Harrison. Mayor Barbara Domain and Councilman Alfred Freeman Jr. were absent. Councilman Eddie White led the prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**CITIZEN APPREARANCE**

There was no public participation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JANUARY 13, 2025, REGULAR MEETING.**

The council took a few minutes to look over the minutes. Councilwoman Hardy noted a correction to the spelling of Councilwoman Harrison’s name on item #8 in the minutes. There was no further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Trahan asked for a motion. A motion was made to approve the minutes with the correction of Councilwoman Harrison’s name. All were in favor. Passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilwoman Elizabeth “Liz” Hardy  
Seconded by: Councilman Eddie White  
All in favor: 3 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. CONSIDER, AND IF APPROPRIATE, TAKE ACTION, BY RESOLUTION, TO APPROVE THE SELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE’S RECOMMENDATION OF A CPA TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL BOOKKEEPING AND ACCOUNTING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF AMES, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT FOR SUCH SERVICES.

Mayor Pro Tem Trahan noted that there are documents that have been submitted by the deadline detailing the qualifications for the CPA. Councilwoman Harrison suggested that they take time to look over the packet thoroughly. She also stated that she does not see where the CPA has experience with a city. Marivious stated that there are qualifications with municipalities in the packet. Mayor Pro Tem Trahan noted that the CPA seems to be fluent in QuickBooks, which is a positive thing. He also explained that the purpose of this approval request is to give Mayor Domain the green light to move on to negotiate the contract. Marivious explained that after the contract negotiations, the council would have to approve the hire. He also noted that we would have to make a budget amendment to fund the contract once approved. There was no further discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Trahan asked for a motion. A motion was made. All were in favor. Passed unanimously.

**Motion made by: Councilwoman Elizabeth “Liz” Hardy  
Seconded by: Councilman Eddie White  
All in favor: 3 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

2. MAYOR'S REPORT

*There was nothing to report at this time.*

3. CLOSED SESSION

- Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)

*At 6:47 PM, the closed session meeting began. The closed session ended at 6:47 PM.*

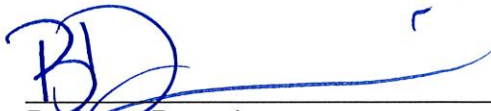
4. ADJOURNMENT.

Mayor Pro Tem Trahan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 PM.

**Motion made by: Councilwoman Elizabeth "Liz" Hardy**

**Seconded by: Councilwoman Audrey Harrison**

**All in favor: 3 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0**

  
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Barbara Domain  
Mayor

  
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City Secretary