

**AGENDA REPORT**  
Monday, April 22, 2019

TO: Abilene City Commission  
FROM: Austin Gilley, City Manager  
RE: **City Manager's notes to accompany agenda**

**PURPOSE**

This report is intended to provide brief summaries of each agenda item with staff input to assist in the deliberation, discussion, and decisions to be made.

**BUDGET WORK PLAN CALENDAR AND AGENDA REPORT CHANGE**

The budget calendar has been removed and will be re-worked to accommodate the revised schedule and revised approach to Study Sessions. It is my understanding the Commission would like more time to deliberate on agenda items – to meet that objective, I plan to provide the draft agenda and this agenda report at Study Sessions for possible decisions to be made at the following week's regular meeting. Your patience is appreciated as I continue to learn how best to work within our governance framework and traditions.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

IDEA   ▶▶   SUPPORT   ▶▶   STUDY   ▶▶   WRITING   ▶▶   VOTE   ▶▶   **EXECUTE**   ▶▶   EVALUATE

*8. Approval of appointment of Sandy Foltz to Library Board (p. 5)*

The Library Board is recommending the Commission appoint Sandy Foltz to the Library Board. The appointment fills seat 120 left by Mitzi Gose, who did not renew for the 2019-2023 term. The application for appointment is included in the packet.

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*#. Approval of documents for 8<sup>th</sup> Street Project with Gilmore and Bell and Piper Jaffray (p. 6-72)*

These are the documents and actions necessary to proceed with the execution of the financing necessary for the 8<sup>th</sup> street expansion project and add the projects associated with the Water Treatment Assessment. The City's development agreement requires the 8<sup>th</sup> street project to be completed by January 2020, and right-of-way acquisition is underway. These items could be tabled if the Commission would like more time to review, but the funding will need to be in place as soon as possible for closing the land transactions. Garth Hermann, of Gilmore and Bell, the City's bond counsel plans to attend the meeting to review the following items for Commission action:

- 9. *Resolution amending Resolution No. 091018-4 which authorized improvements to the City Public Water Supply*
- 10. *Resolution authorizing the offering for sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019*
- 11. *Resolution providing for the adoption of tax and securities compliance procedures relating to obligations issued and to be issued*

Dustin Avey, of Piper Jaffray, the City's Financial Advisor, also plans to attend the meeting.



*12. 2020 Budget: Resolution to approve Pay Plan (p. 73)*

Included in the packet is the proposed pay plan for the 2020 budget. No changes have been made since previous version. City Code 1-303 provides: “Compensation to be paid to officers and employees of the city as salaries shall be adopted in the annual pay plan by the Governing Body upon the basis of schedules fixed in accordance with the classification of the office or employment prepared by the City Manager in all such cases.”

**2019-2020 Strategy**

- Establish comprehensive vision
- Collaborate strategically
- Focus on tax base (invest wisely)
- Correct utility issues
- Housekeeping
- Facility planning
- Succession planning
- **Embrace opportunity!**



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**OTHER INFORMATION**

The additional reports are provided as information with each meeting agenda.

Thank you,  
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