The regular meeting of the Sulphur Springs City Council will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2008 in the Council Room at 125 South Davis. The following items will be discussed:

1. Pledge and invocation.

2. Manager’s report will include status report of capital improvements, accidents and claims for the month, and a review of expenditures and revenues.

3. Discussion/action on Consent Agenda.

4. Discussion/action on Public Hearing for second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2536 approving a settlement agreement between the City of Sulphur Springs, Texas, and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division, regarding the company’s statement of intent to change gas rates in all cities exercising original jurisdiction; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the settlement agreement; finding the rates to be set by the tariffs to be just and reasonable; adopting a savings clause; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings
Act; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this ordinance to the company and legal counsel.


6. Discussion/action on Public Hearing for second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2538 setting forth uniform requirements for users of the wastewater collection and Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) for the City of Sulphur Springs and enables the City to comply with all applicable State and Federal laws including the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 121 et seq.) and the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 CFR Part 403).

7. Discussion/action on Public Hearing for second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2539 amending the Animal Control Ordinance revising Article I, Chapter 5, Section 5-15 “Dog and Cat Sterilization” and Article III, Chapter 5, Section 5-29 Redemption by the Owner; and Adoption Procedure.

8. Discussion/action on first reading of Ordinance No. 2540 amending Ordinance No. 2050, Article 15, Heavy Commercial District, Section 15.200 to include small animal clinics with no outdoor kennels.

9. Discussion/action on Resolution No. 957 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Hopkins County for the purpose of leasing state mandated electronic voting equipment for early voting and election day.

10. Discussion/action on bids and award of contract for concrete for the Rockdale Road project.

11. Discussion/action on bids and award of contract for water pipe for Houston Street.


Consent Agenda

Consider for approval: regular City Council meeting minutes of February 5, 2008; Planning & Zoning meeting minutes of February 18, 2008; Zoning Board of Adjustments meeting minutes of February 19, 2008; the Downtown Revitalization board meeting minutes of February 19, 2008; and the Economic Development Corporation meeting minutes of January 28, 2008.

The City of Sulphur Springs will provide assistance to the hearing impaired if notice is given to the City Secretary 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting date so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

The City Council of the City of Sulphur Springs, Texas meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building. The Council follows a printed agenda for official action, however, following the conclusion of the agenda, anyone may address the Council but Council will not take official action. Any individual desiring official action should submit his request to the office of the City Secretary by 12:00 noon on the Wednesday before the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); 551.074 (Personnel Matters, must be stated specifically with regard to position) 551.076 (Deliberations about security devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).