

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE
7TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1997 AT 5:00 P. M.**

On the 7th day of January, 1997 the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members thereof, to wit:

Louis Bronaugh	Mayor
Don Boyd	Mayor pro tem
Percy Simond, Jr.	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Betty Jones	Councilmember, Ward No. 3
Bob Bowman	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Jack Gorden, Jr.	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Tucker Weems	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
C. G. Maclin	City Manager
Darryl Mayfield	Asst. City Manager/Finance
Stephen Abraham	City Planner
Bob Flournoy	City Attorney
Atha Stokes	City Secretary
Keith Wright	City Engineer
Kenneth R. Williams	Public Works Director

being present when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Jeff Robinson, Minister, Southside Baptist Church.

2. Mayor Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 17, 1996 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. **ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - TMRS RETIREMENT PLAN - 20 YEAR PLAN**

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of an Ordinance for revisions to the TMRS retirement plan to include a 20 year option.

City Manager Maclin stated that this Amendment to the Ordinance will go into effect April 1, which will give adequate time to get all the documentation and paperwork filed properly with the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Ordinance for revisions to the TMRS retirement plan to include a 20 year option be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. **ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - ZONE CHANGE - RESIDENTIAL LARGE SINGLE FAMILY TO LOCAL BUSINESS - OLD UNION ROAD AND LARGENT - ROBERT WOOD - ROYCE GARRETT - CHARLES LARGENT**

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Robert Wood, Royce Garrett and Charles Largent to change the zoning on "RL" Residential Large Single Family to "LB" Local Business on approximately 4.87 acres of land including tracts 139 through 143 of the J. A. Bonton Survey, located at the

northwest corner of the intersection of Old Union Road and Largent Street.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet is an explanation regarding this request and the unanimous approval by the Planning & Zoning Commission. City Manager Maclin stated that this request includes five lots, only one of which has a residential structure located on the property.

In response to a question by Councilmember Boyd, Mr. Ron Foye stated that he plans to build a construction office with a service warehouse on Tract 143.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Ordinance to change the zoning on "RL" Residential Large Single Family to "LB" Local Business on approximately 4.87 acres of land including tracts 139 through 143 of the J. A. Bonton Survey located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Old Union Road and Largent Street as requested by Robert Wood, Royce Garrett and Charles Largent be approved on First Reading as presented.

Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. recused himself from voting since his residence is located within 200' of the proposed property.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the request carried with six affirmative votes.

6. DONATION - DISCUSSED - USED VEHICLE - LONE STAR BOOT CAMP

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was donating a used vehicle to the Lone Star Boot Camp.

Officer Steve Rayburn introduced Patrick Rendon (Boot Camp Drill Instructor) and Patty Frair of LISD. Officer Rayburn stated that Terry Knight, coordinator of the Boot Camp, was sick and unable to attend the meeting.

Ms. Frair stated that the Boot Camp was a unique program and was a benefit to all the youth of Angelina County. Ms. Frair stated that the Boot Camp started up on November 7 and as of this date there have been 38 students from Lufkin pass through the program. Ms. Frair stated that there are three ways of referral to the Program: the family, the Court, and the school can refer students to the program. Ms. Frair stated that students participating in the Program must be students that have passed a physical exam who are from 10 to 16 years of age, and whose behavior indicates a need for change.

Ms. Frair stated that there are two levels of the Program - Star I and Star II. Star I is 14 days and Star II is up to six months. Ms. Frair stated that during this time it is required that these students be on their own campus doing their school work. Ms. Frair stated that the students come at 5:15 am. in the morning and at 5:30 a.m. they have begun physical exercises. Ms. Frair stated that at 7:00 a.m. the students eat breakfast and are transported back to their home campus where there is academic monitoring. Ms. Frair stated that at 3:30 p.m. the students are returned to the Star Program for more physical training and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. tutors are available to the students. Ms. Frair stated that students in the two week program have normal haircuts but must wear a uniform (girls may wear a skirt or pants). Ms. Frair stated that the students do community service one weekend a month from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Ms. Frair stated that on the six month program if the students behavior indicates they need such, the boys heads are shaved, ear length hair cut for girls, with community service twice a month. Ms. Frair stated that family counseling is also available.

Mr. Rendon stated that Immersion Day basically consists of a lot of physical and mental challenges to the individual student, both male and female. Mr. Rendon stated that this is a thirteen hour day starting at 5:15 a.m. with physical exercise and at 8:30 a.m. the students begin a 14 mile hike. Mr. Rendon stated that on the hike students are not allowed to speak or hold a conversation. Mr. Rendon stated that

after lunch the students participate in a clean up program on campus.

In response to question by Mayor Bronaugh, Ms. Frair stated that the school district contracts with the individual schools for Mr. Rendon's services through Juvenile Probation.

In response to question by Mayor Bronaugh, Mr. Rendon stated that the students are required to wear sweatsuits or physical training attire with comfortable shoes. Mr. Rendon stated that since the program started they have been using Mr. Knight's privately owned vehicle for the safety vehicle. Ms. Frair stated that the instructors are very aware of the students vital signs and on one occasion a student was transported to the hospital for medical care.

In response to question by Mayor Bronaugh, Ms. Frair stated that the vehicle would be used in all phases of the program all over the County. Ms. Frair stated that their request to the City was that a vehicle be donated to LISD, who has agreed to do the maintenance and upkeep on the vehicle.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the request as he understands it is as the City processes out the Police vehicles or staff vehicles go out on the auction block LISD would like to have one of these vehicles donated for this program.

City Manager Maclin stated that this is obviously a viable need but does have some precedent situations and the City would have to find some ways to clearly define this contribution compared to future requests. City Manager Maclin stated that staff is looking at a donation that is based on the appraised value of the vehicle.

Councilmember Simond requested that the City Attorney give his opinion of the request. Mr. Flournoy stated that with other governmental entities the City can participate in sharing and swapping of items, however, there are some legal consequences involved that have to be looked at. Mr. Flournoy stated that as he understands it this is not a separate non-profit entity but is an organization set up under the auspices of the school system. Mr. Flournoy stated that if there is a written legal agreement between LISD and the County Juvenile Probation Services he would like to review it before the City can make a decision. Mr. Flournoy stated that this request certainly carries a precedent with it and the City needs to be very careful about their decision.

Councilmember Bowman asked if there might be something that the school system could make an outright exchange for the vehicle.

Councilmember Simond asked if the County was contributing to this program in any way. Ms. Frair stated that the Commissioners Court contributed a start up fee of \$15,000 toward the program and each of the five participating school districts pay a proportionate share. Ms. Frair stated that basically they use the funds for salaries only and have very little left over for anything else. Ms. Frair stated that this is a pilot program for one year but she anticipates that it will be successful and will continue.

Ms. Frair stated that the program has received a lot of support from the City in helping these students. Ms. Frair stated that haircuts are being donated.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION


Mayor Bronaugh recessed Regular Session at 5:30 p.m. to enter into Executive Session. Mayor Bronaugh reconvened the meeting at 5:52 p.m. and stated that Council had discussed attorney/client matters and legal ramifications of City policies and procedures and no decisions were made.

8. COMMENTS

City Manager Maclin stated that next Monday evening, January 13, is the DETCOG, DETDA reception in Austin for the new legislative session.

Chief Collins stated that as a point of clarification, the vehicle the STAR Program is requesting will be titled in the name of LISD not to the STAR Program.

9. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.


Louis A. Bronaugh - Mayor

ATTEST:


Atha Stokes - City Secretary