

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2014.**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2014, 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:

Bob F. Brown	Mayor
Lynn Torres	Mayor Pro-Tem
Victor Travis	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Don Langston	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Rocky Thigpen	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Sarah Murray	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Paul L. Parker	City Manager
Keith Wright	Deputy City Manager
Bruce Green	City Attorney
Kara Atwood	City Secretary
Belinda Southern	Finance Director
Gerald Williamson	Police Chief
David Thomas	Assistant Police Chief
Ted Lovett	Fire Chief
Rodney Ivy	Human Resources Director
Dorothy Wilson	Planning Director
Thad Chambers	Economic Development Director
Steve Floyd	Public Works Director
Steve Poskey	Street Department Director
Chuck Walker	Public Utilities Director
Mike Akridge	Parks & Recreation Director

being present when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Eric Barton of City Church.
2. Mayor Bob Brown welcomed visitors present.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 20, 2014, were approved on a motion by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Sarah Murray. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded to approve the minutes as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS BY GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR SALES FACILITY IN A "LOCAL BUSINESS" ZONING DISTRICT AT 1214 AND 1216 EAST DENMAN AVENUE – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was to conduct a Public Hearing and consider on Second Reading an Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas by granting a Special Use Permit for Outdoor Sales Facility in a "Local Business" zoning district at 1214 and 1216 East Denman Avenue.

City Manager Paul Parker stated this was the second reading of this special use request. City Manager Parker continued that this location was previously hit by a tornado and the owner needs this special use permit to operate the business as he would desire. City Manager Parker concluded that both Staff and the Planning Commission recommended that City Council approve this permit.

Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 5:03 p.m. Being there was no one present to speak; Mayor Brown requested comments or a motion from the City Council. Councilmember Robert

Shankle moved to approve the request for the Special Use Permit at property located at 1214 and 1216 East Denman Avenue. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

5. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR 2014 EDWARD BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,470 AND PLEDGING THE CITY OF LUFKIN WILL COMPLY WITH ALL GRANT REQUIREMENTS – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated that Item No. 5 was to conduct a Public Hearing and consider a Resolution of the City of Lufkin, Texas; authorizing application with the U.S. Department of Justice for 2014 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$16,470 and pledging the City of Lufkin will comply with all grant requirements.

City Manager Paul Parker stated the Police Department would like to use this grant to start replacing some of their taser equipment. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended City Council conduct the required public hearing and approve a resolution authorizing the Police Department to seek funding for the 2014 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$16,470.

Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 5:04 p.m. There being no one who wished to speak; Mayor Brown closed the Public Hearing and requested comments from City Council.

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve the authorization for the application for the 2014 Edward Byrne Grant. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

6. **ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2014, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS, ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS AND DELEGATING CERTAIN MATTERS TO AUTHORIZED CITY OFFICIALS - APPROVED**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was the consideration of all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of the City of Lufkin, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014, including the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of such bonds, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to authorized City Officials.

City Manager Paul Parker stated the City of Lufkin continuously reviewed existing bonds for opportunities to refinance the bonds at a lower interest rate. City Manager Parker furthered that the first two bond issues that were in the report consisted of remnants and they would be paid off later this year. City Manager Parker continued that the City of Lufkin Waterworks and Sewer System bond was originally issued for 8.2 million dollars, and there was a residual amount of 5.3 million dollars that the City was looking at refinancing. City Manager Parker stated that for the City to refinance the bonds, the reissuance must save at least 4%, which would be approximately \$200,000 in savings. City Manager Parker furthered that there were no new projects involved with this transaction; that this would only lessen the City's debt and save the taxpayers money. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended that City Council approve the refinance of said bonds.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to adopt the Ordinance authorizing the issuance of "City of Lufkin, Texas, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014" establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to authorized City Officials. Councilmember Victor Travis seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

7. **ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO PROVIDING FOR THE REDEMPTION OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS OF THE CITY, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PERTAINING THERETO - APPROVED**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was to consider all matters incident and related to providing for the redemption of certain outstanding bonds of the City, including the adoption of a resolution pertaining thereto.

City Manager Parker stated that when the City sold Waste Water revenue bonds in September 2003, the City was required to put a contingency amount in that bond; however, the bonds would not be callable until November 2014. City Manager Parker stated that in November the City would pay off the balance of 1.5 million dollars which would allow the City to return \$1,330,806 to the Water Depreciation Construction Fund (Fund 380) used for water and sewer projects. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended City Council approve this resolution.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to adopt the Resolution providing for the redemption of certain outstanding bonds by the City. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

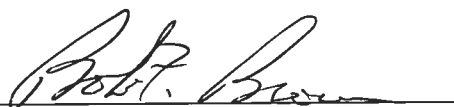
8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Bob Brown stated there was no need to recess into Executive Session.

9. **DISCUSSION OF ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST, INCLUDING EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS, CONGRATULATIONS OR CONDOLENCE; INFORMATION REGARDING HOLIDAY SCHEDULES; HONORARY RECOGNITIONS OF CITY OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER CITIZENS; REMINDERS ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE CITY OR OTHER ENTITY THAT IS SCHEDULED TO BE ATTENDED BY CITY OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES; AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INVOLVING IMMINENT THREATS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITY.**

City Manager Paul Parker highlighted events and meetings on the calendar including First Friday Luncheon, the 4B Planning Retreat and Council Planning Retreat. City Manager Parker also expressed his appreciation for the naming of the Municipal Court in his honor. City Secretary Kara Atwood explained the information that was presented to City Council regarding upcoming Board appointments.

10. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

  
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Bob F. Brown, Mayor

  
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Kara Atwood, City Secretary

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