

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 5th DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

On the 5th day of June, 2018 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
Mark Hicks	Mayor Pro Tem
Guessippina Bonner	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Rocky Thigpen	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Keith Wright	City Manager
Bruce Green	Deputy City Manager/City Attorney
Seth Elmore	Assistant City Attorney
Kara Atwood	City Secretary
Rodney Ivy	Human Resources Director
Gerald Williamson	Public Safety Director
Ted Lovett	Fire Chief
Belinda Melancon	Finance Director
Dorothy Wilson	Planning and Zoning Director
Kevin Gee	Engineering Services Director
Barbara Thompson	Main Street Director
Albert Duffield	Water & Sewer Director
Sid Munlin	Information Technology Director
Kent Havard	Solid Waste Director
Bob Samford	Economic Development Director

being present; and

Lynn Torres Councilmember, Ward No. 3

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Andro Branch of Our Father's House of Faith Apostolic Church. Mayor Brown then recognized Pastor Branch for his many contributions to the community.
2. Mayor Bob F. Brown welcomed visitors present.
3. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 15, 2018 – APPROVED**

Councilmember Sarah Murray moved to approve the minutes of the meeting as presented. Councilmember Guessippina Bonner seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2018 CITY OF LUFKIN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN - APPROVED**

City Manager Keith Wright stated that Staff had been working with Burditt Consultants in order to draft a new Comprehensive Plan for the City of Lufkin. City Manager Wright stated that the current plan was drafted in 2001 and was very outdated. City Manager Wright stated there was an extensive public outreach effort and the plan was currently on the website for public review and comment.

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing at 5:03 p.m. Dr. Patricia McKenzie voiced concerns and questions regarding the plan. City Manager Wright stated requested Dr. McKenzie submit those concerns to the administration and they would be addressed. Mr. Dickie Dixon expressed concern that the Genealogical Society was omitted from the list of organizations that contributed to the plan. There being no one else who wished to speak, Mayor Brown closed the public hearing and requested comments or motions from City Council.

Councilmember Guessippina Bonner moved to approve the First Reading of the Ordinance adopting the 2018 City of Lufkin Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Mark Hicks seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

5. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2017-2018 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 16) PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL, HOTEL/MOTEL TAX, SPECIAL RECREATION, PINES THEATER SPECIAL EVENT, COURT SECURITY & TECHNOLOGY, ANIMAL SERVICES – KURTH GRANT, ANIMAL SERVICES-ANIMAL ATTIC, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, LUFKIN CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, GENERAL FUND CONSTRUCTION FUND, WATER & WASTEWATER RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT FUND, GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE, WATER/WASTEWATER, SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING, AND EQUIPMENT & ACQUISITION & REPLACEMENT FUNDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated that each year during the budget process, Staff evaluated expenditures and revenues for each department to determine any needed adjustments in each fund. City Manager Wright continued that this was commonly referred to as the mid-year Budget Amendment. City Manager Wright then highlighted adjustments to major funds and stated he would be glad to answer any questions.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the First Reading of the Ordinance authorizing Budget Amendment No. 16. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

6. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN CANCELLING THE JULY 3RD, 2018 REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated that due to the July 3rd Regular City Council meeting falling the day before the City Holiday of July 4th, Staff recommended City Council approve a Resolution cancelling the July 3rd, 2018 regular City Council meeting.

Councilmember Guessippina Bonner moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

7. AMENDED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (DETCOG) – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated that on June 7, 2018, City Council approved an Economic Development agreement with the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG); however, due to unforeseen circumstances, the project was delayed. City Manager Wright stated that the only changes to the agreement were the dates for the documentation requirements and explained those in detail. City Manager Wright continued that the 4B Board held a public hearing regarding the same and voted unanimously to approve the amended agreement.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the amended agreement as presented. Councilmember Rocky Thigpen seconded the motion. Councilmember Guessippina Bonner confirmed that the only changes that were being made were to the dates in the agreement. A unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

8. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH ANGELINA FOREST PRODUCTS, LLC – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated that Angelina Forest Projects, LLC would be constructing a new sawmill facility which would positively impact Lufkin and surrounding communities. City Manager Wright highlighted the incentives in the agreement and stated that the 4B Board unanimously approved the agreement as well.

Councilmember Mark Hicks moved to approve the agreement. Councilmember Guessippina Bonner seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

9. TERMINATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH OVERSEAS HARDWOODS, INC. – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated that on April 3rd, City Council approved an Economic Development with Overseas Hardwoods, Inc.; however, now the company has decided to locate the facility outside of the City limits which deemed the agreement null and void. City Manager Wright continued that the 4B Board recently approved to terminate the agreement during their recent board meeting and recommended that City Council also terminate the agreement. Councilmember Rocky Thigpen recused himself from both discussion and subsequent vote on this item. Mayor Brown explained the reasoning behind the termination.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the termination of the agreement. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

10. AWARD OF BID TO ALLEN LOGGINS AND SONS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,100 FOR THE COMPLETION OF DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG LINING STREET – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated this project addressed flooding issues along Lining Street. City Manager Wright continued that the City had applied for and received a Texas Community Development Block Grant to assist with the cost of the project. City Manager Wright stated this project would help address flooding issues, but would not completely resolve the problem. City Manager Wright stated that several bids were received, with Allen Loggins & Sons submitted the low bid of \$115,100.

City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council award the bid as requested for drainage improvements on Lining Street.

Councilmember Guessippina Bonner moved to approve the award of bid as presented. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. Councilmember Bonner questioned when this project would begin. Pat Oates, with Goodwin Lasiter Strong, stated the project would begin within three weeks and conclude within ninety days. A unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

11. DESIGNATION OF FUNDING TO THE ANGELINA COUNTY CITIZENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE ANNUAL JUNTEENTH EVENT – APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated the City had provided funding for the annual event and this year the Angelina County Citizens Chamber of Commerce would be coordinating the event this year. City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council approve the designation of the funding as presented.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the designation of funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE CITY MANAGER – UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS – NO ACTION IN OPEN SESSION

Mayor Brown convened Executive Session at 5:26 p.m. Mayor Brown recessed Executive Session at 5:43 p.m. No action was taken in Open Session.

13. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST FROM MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND STAFF

City Manager Wright highlighted upcoming events and meetings on the City Council calendar.

14. There being no further business to address, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.





Bob F. Brown, Mayor



Kara Andrepont, City Secretary