

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE  
21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1995 AT 5:00 P. M.**

On the 21st day of November, 1995 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:

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| 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                    |
| Ron Wesch         | Asst. City Manager/Public Works |
| Darryl Mayfield   | Asst. City Manager/Finance      |
| Stephen Abraham   | City Planner                    |
| Bob Flournoy      | City Attorney                   |
| Atha Stokes       | City Secretary                  |

being present, and

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Mayor

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Bettye R. Kennedy, Minister, Collins Chapel CME Church.

2. Mayor pro tem Boyd welcomed visitors present. Mayor pro tem Boyd presented a Certificate to Ronnie Robinson, Planning & Zoning Commissioner, upon completion of a training course he participated in as a member of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Councilmember Tucker Weems and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 7, 1995 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. **ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - PRE-TREATMENT NO. 3064**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of Pre-Treatment Ordinance No. 3064.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Betty Jones that Amendment to Ordinance No. 3064 be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. **SPECIAL USE PERMIT - APPROVED - FIRST READING - ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS FACILITY - DIANA DRIVE - GIPSON FUNERAL HOME**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was request of Gipson Funeral Home for approval of a Special Use Permit for a new Alcoholics Anonymous Facility on approximately .817 acres of land located on the north side of Diana Drive and immediately to the east of the existing Alcoholics Anonymous

Facility located at 1508 Diana Drive.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Councilmember's packet is a memorandum from the Planning Department, a letter from the applicant, a map, and a tabulation of the mailed notices to area residents. City Manager Maclin stated that this request was forwarded to the Council by a unanimous vote, with the condition that prior to the issuance of a building permit, a final site plan be approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Walter Borgfeld, Attorney, was in attendance representing the applicant.

There was no opposition to the request.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Tucker Weems that request of Gipson Funeral Home for a Special Use Permit for a new Alcoholics Anonymous Facility on approximately .817 acres of land located on the north side of Diana Drive and immediately to the east of the existing Alcoholics Anonymous Facility located at 1508 Diana Drive be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. **ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - ZONE CHANGE - APARTMENT TO COMMERCIAL - HARMONY HILL DRIVE - TULANE DRIVE - RICHARD YOUNGBLOOD**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was a request of Richard Youngblood to change the zoning from Apartment to Commercial on approximately 6.026 acres of land out of the Allen Proctor Survey (Abstract No. 510) and having frontage on the north side of Harmony Hill Drive (FM Road 58) and the west side of Tulane Drive.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Councilmember's packet is a memorandum of explanation giving the history of the property and other commercial property adjacent to this property. City Manager Maclin stated that the request had been forwarded to the City Council by unanimous vote of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

There was no opposition to the request.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that request of Richard Youngblood for a zone change from Apartment to Commercial on approximately 6.026 acres of land out of the Allen Proctor Survey (Abstract No. 510) and having frontage on the north side of Harmony Hill Drive (FM Road 58) and the west side of Tulane Drive be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7a. **BID - APPROVED - WATER WELL NO. 11 REHABILITATION - ALSAY, INC.**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was bids for rehabilitation of Water Well No. 11.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Councilmember's packet is a letter from the Asst. City Manager of Public Works and a letter from the engineer representing Goodwin-Lasiter. City Manager Maclin stated that the staff recommendation is to award the low base bid of Alsay, Inc. in the amount of \$29,200 with authorization of other selected bid items up to an additional \$40,000 for a total of \$69,200. City Manager Maclin stated that this amount is well within the budgeted amount of \$85,000 in the 1995-'96 FY budget.

Engineer Mike Walker was present to represent the bid.

Motion was made by Councilmember Tucker Weems and seconded by

Councilmember Betty Jones that the bid of Alsay, Inc. in the amount of \$29,200 with authorization of other selected bid items up to an additional \$40,000 for a total of \$69,200 be approved as submitted. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**7b. BIDS - APPROVED - POLICE VEHICLES - VIDEOS - ORANGE FORD LINCOLN MERCURY - KUSTOM SIGNALS, INC.**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was bids for police vehicles and videos.

City Manager Maclin stated that staff began a program three years ago to try and replace 11 Police vehicles a year rotating them on a year-to-year basis over a 36 month period. City Manager Maclin stated that the new vehicles would be put into the patrol service the first year and then relegate them to staff service to prolong the life of the vehicle. City Manager Maclin stated that when this program was started in 1991-'92, the Crown Victoria or Chevrolet Caprice police packages were selling with an extended warranty package for approximately \$14,000. The warranty package has steadily gone up \$800 to \$900 per vehicle per year, but this year the cost has escalated to \$2,300 per vehicle.

City Manager Maclin stated that the need that has predicated that this item be placed on the agenda at this time is a notice stating that Ford will close its production order book on 1996 Crown Victoria Police cars on November 30th. City Manager Maclin stated that staff had contacted H-GAC about the package they have, which the City has utilized in the past. City Manager Maclin stated that the bid information included in the packet is from the low bidder Orange Ford Lincoln Mercury.

Chief Collins stated that during the budget preparations this year he had informed Council of the difficulty he was having in trying to budget in anticipation of Ford being the only manufacturer of patrol cars in the future. Chief Collins stated that it is not to that point yet, but Ford, the major producer this year, estimates that they will produce 60,000 of the 65,000 Police packages that will be sold in the U. S. Chief Collins stated that Ford has dropped their mid-sized car, the Taurus, and have substituted that with a Ford Explorer. Chief Collins stated that Chevrolet is still in the market and have introduced the GeoTracker as a Police vehicle tested by the Michigan State Police this year. Chief Collins stated that he would like to order 11 Police vehicle but because he did not have the money in the budget, he is asking for 9 vehicles with the basic factory warranty of 36,000 miles or three year warranty. Chief Collins stated that in order to keep the cost down per vehicle the anti-lock braking would be dropped, there would only be one spot light on the driver's side, cruise control and rubber floor mats that are extra would be eliminated.

Chief Collins stated that if the City purchases the Police cars it will have to be through the H-GAC Program, which is less expensive than through the State contract.

Councilmember Weems asked if the old patrol cars would be sold. Chief Collins stated that the cars taken out of Police service are utilized in other City departments. City Manager Maclin stated that the City does not increase its total number of vehicles.

In response to question by Councilmember Weems, Chief Collins stated that if he were allowed to sell 11 vehicles he could probably clear \$65-70,000. Councilmember Weems asked that the City Manager look into the option of selling the cars taken out of Police service. Chief Collins stated that last year car dealers appraised the three year old vehicles at \$7,000 per vehicle.

Chief Collins stated that he had budgeted this year to replace three of the car video systems. Chief Collins stated that the system the Police Department has been using is manufactured by Kustom Electronics out of Kansas. Chief Collins stated that Kustom Electronics were awarded the State contract this year and he was requesting

that Council approve the budget of three units through this contract at a base price of \$3,730 plus \$65 for the overhead console. Chief Collins stated that \$12,000 was budgeted for this item.

Motion was made by Councilmember Tucker Weems and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that bid of Orange Ford Lincoln Mercury for nine (9) Crown Victoria Ford vehicles in the amount of \$170,481.82 (including financing) be approved as submitted. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Motion was made by Councilmember Betty Jones and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that bid of Kustom Signals, Inc. in the amount of \$11,385 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. **APPOINTMENT - APPROVED - LUFKIN BOARD OF DEVELOPMENT - DEBBIE JOHNSTON**

Motion was made by Councilmember Betty Jones and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that Debbie Johnston be reappointed to the Lufkin Board of Development. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. **COMMENTS**

City Attorney Bob Flournoy stated that a meeting of the Lufkin Health Development Facilities Corporation would be held immediately following the Council meeting.

City Manager Maclin stated that in the FYI section of the packet the Asst. City Manager of Public Works had included a memo giving an update on activities of the Bond Election streets.

City Manager Maclin stated that also included in the FYI section is a chart showing an update of the City's internal chain of command and some of the modifications that have been made.

City Manager Maclin stated that on the Council table was a brochure for economic development marketing purposes. City Manager Maclin stated that Stephen Abraham and Dawn Glover were responsible for the preparation of the brochure.

City Manager Maclin stated that the Lufkin Letter will be mailed out to citizens next week, and will include the garbage collection schedule for the holidays, and the City's Mission, Vision and Values Statements.

Asst. City Manager Mayfield stated that all Department Heads have submitted their reports for the Annual Report, which should be finished before Christmas.

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. in the Lufkin Mall parking lot Lufkin Industries will be lighting Rudolph, and all Councilmembers are invited to attend.

Dawn Glover stated that on Saturday night in Cotton Square there will be gospel singing, food vendors, and numerous activities for the family.

10. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

ATTEST:  
  
Atha Stokes - City Secretary

  
Don E. Boyd - Mayor pro tem