

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 1975, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 25th day of March, 1975, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in special meeting in the Council Room at City Hall with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
Pat Foley	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
E. C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
W. O. Ricks, Jr.	Commissioner at Large, Place A
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
Roger G. Johnson	City Secretary

being present, and

R. A. Brookshire	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Joe E. Rich	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
E. G. Pittman	Commissioner at Large, Place B

being absent, constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted:

1. Open Hearing-Authority Granted To Submit Community Development Block Grant Application

Mayor Garrison explained that public hearing had been called regarding letter from the Department of Housing and Urban Development inviting the City of Lufkin to file a full application for Community Development Discretionary Block Grant Assistance. Mayor Garrison explained that this invitation was not an obligation from HUD to approve or fund a full application for the City of Lufkin. Mayor Garrison further explained that hearing had been called to create citizen involvement which was a pre-requisite to application for which the City desired to submit as soon as possible covering property located North and East of Raguet Street, North and West of North First Street, North of Frank Avenue and South of Loop 287 as identified by a triangular area. Mayor Garrison further stated that this area involved Neighborhood No. 6 as previously described in the Comprehensive Master Plan as being the area requiring most assistance. It was also concluded that providing full application was approved by HUD, the City would receive \$300,000.00, and approximately \$1,000,000 over a three-year period.

Mayor Garrison requested Comm. E. C. Wareing of Ward No. 4 to review Neighborhood No. 6 regarding specific improvements since he served as Commissioner within this ward. Comm. E. C. Wareing reviewed various improvements in this area to include sewer, water, public safety and recreational facilities. The following information was reviewed:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Sewer & Water System	\$104,007.81
Street Improvements	\$180,992.19
Park Renovation	\$ 15,000.00

There was a small group of individuals present concerning hearing as advertised and no opposition was presented.

Mayor Garrison recognized Mr. E. C. Johnson regarding explanation of proposed application. Mr. Johnson asked members of Commission if supervision would be eventually approved for the Brandon Park Community Center if constructed. Comm. E. C. Wareing stated that this particular program did not furnish supervision. Max Griffin, Recreation & Parks Director who was present, informed Mr. Johnson that his department had completed a separate grant application which would provide supervision for this community center. Mr.

Johnson did not object to this proposal, but indicated his personal concern for future supervision of this community center, if completed.

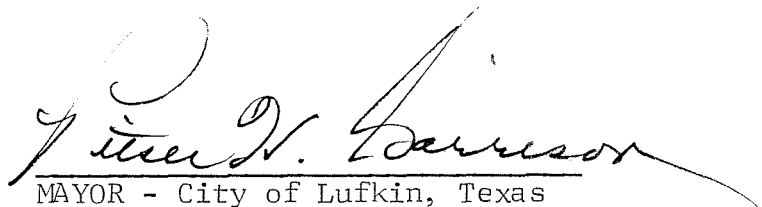
Mayor Garrison also recognized Mr. Joe Leediker who was present. Mr. Leediker asked members of Commission if any changes would be made in the standard amount paid for connection to sewer and water services within this area under this program. City Manager Westerholm informed Mr. Leediker that individuals requesting connections to these facilities would be responsible for paying standard fees under present City regulations.

Mayor Garrison officially closed public hearing regarding this application and Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that the City staff be authorized to proceed with the full application to HUD for a Community Development Block Grant Application covering property as previously identified as Neighborhood No. 6. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

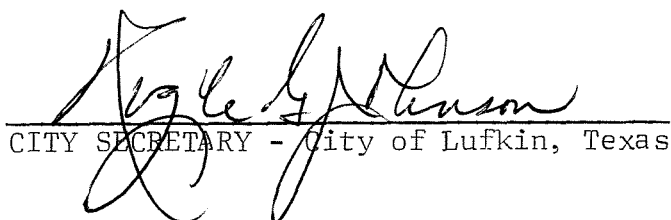
Mayor Garrison thanked individuals present for their concern in behalf of the City's application for these funds and encouraged future attendance.

2. Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 7:55 P. M.


MAYOR - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY - City of Lufkin, Texas