

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS.**

**HELD ON THE**  
**20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1998 AT 5:00 P. M.**

On the 20th day of January, 1998 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:

Don Boyd  
Percy Simond  
Bob Bowman  
Jack Gorden, Jr.  
Tucker Weems  
C. G. Maclin  
Bob Flournoy  
Atha Stokes  
Keith Wright  
Stephen Abraham

Mayor pro tem  
Councilmember, Ward No. 1  
Councilmember, Ward No. 4  
Councilmember, Ward No. 5  
Councilmember, Ward No. 6  
City Manager  
City Attorney  
City Secretary  
City Engineer  
Director of Planning

being present, and

Louis A. Bronaugh  
Betty Jones

Mayor  
Councilmember, Ward No. 3

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Steve Sparks, Youth Pastor, Carpenter's Way Church.
2. Mayor pro tem Boyd welcomed visitors present and recognized Lufkin High School government student Cher-ron McLaren.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Tucker Weems that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 6, 1998 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**4. UPDATED REPORT - CITY'S WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the first item for consideration was an updated report on the City's water line replacement program.

City Manager Maclin stated that at the last Council meeting it was discussed that the City does have an on-going infra-structure program for the replacement of older water lines. City Manager Maclin stated that based on some of the questions from the last meeting staff thought it would be appropriate to provide some up-to-date information. City Manager Maclin stated that on the Council table is a map that highlights (with color coding) those neighborhoods with lines that have been replaced, some statistics that have been provided with that map that identify a variety of work orders and services provided for the last 10 years, and also the estimated cost savings for utilization of the City departments for installation of these lines. City Manager Maclin stated that the statistics defines how many feet of each size line that has been replaced, the number of fire hydrants replaced and the number of service connections replaced.

Keith Wright, City Engineer, stated that M. D. Scarborough, Water Utilities Superintendent was present tonight, and Mr. Scarborough had implemented most of the water line replacement work. Mr. Wright stated that in 1987 the City Council decided to start a program for replacing and upgrading lines in the City limits, and the map shows the areas in a graphical illustration of what lines have been replaced and approximate date of the replacement. Mr. Wright stated that the red lines are the water lines that have been replaced by the City work forces, the blue is water lines that were replaced by contractors or installed by contractors, the green lines are new lines that were installed by the City which is an extension of the system. Mr. Wright stated that most of the City is represented on the map. Mr. Wright stated that the handout with the table shows several projects with the City's expenses including contractor's costs and the City's savings. Mr. Wright stated that staff is projecting the City's savings with City forces at \$1.1 million (approximately). Mr. Wright stated that the Water Utilities Department has replaced 40,973 linear feet of 12" water line, 13,277 linear feet of 8" water lines, 78,863 linear feet of 6" water line, and 31,110 linear feet of 2" water line. Mr. Wright stated that this is approximately 30 miles worth of pipe that has been replaced in the City limits since 1987.

Mr. Wright stated that another handout breaks down the work by subdivision to include the North Lufkin project 1987-89, the Bonton project 1989-91, the C. F. Thompson project 1991-92, the Lubbock

project 1995 and the Rainbow/Homewood project, which was finished in 1997. Mr. Wright stated that the table handout gives the types of repair work that was done from 1987-1997.

Mr. Wright stated that on a yearly average the Water Utilities Department receives 8,275 calls for work orders, and the highest per day has been 148 and the lowest was 15-20. Mr. Wright stated that the monthly average of calls is 690 and 34 calls a day. Mr. Wright stated that the Water Utilities Department's work not only includes repairing water leaks but also includes making taps, cleaning out culverts, repairing manholes, repairing stopped up sewage lines and with the manpower the City has we have accomplished a lot.

Mr. Wright stated that he is also developing a list of projects to do which may be adjusted depending upon what happens with the asbestos cement lines versus the galvanized lines and where their efforts will be targeted.

Mr. Scarborough stated that he keeps a record of the areas with the most problems and tries to systematically take care of them. Mr. Scarborough stated that he wanted the City Council to know that the City crews are out doing a good job and saving the City and the taxpayers money.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, Mr. Scarborough stated that currently his Department is getting a lot of calls from Old Town Lufkin and Fuller Springs.

**5. ORDINANCES - APPROVED - SECOND READING - ANNEXATION - ZONING CLASSIFICATION - CROWN COLONY SECTION VIII-B AND SECTION VIII-C**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of Ordinances for annexation and appropriate zoning classification for approximately 19.888 acres of land to be known as Crown Colony Section VIII-B and Section VIII-C and generally located south of Champions Drive and south of Crown Colony Section VIII-A.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Tucker Weems that Ordinances for the annexation of and appropriate zoning classification of Residential Large Single Family for approximately 19.888 acres of land to be known as Crown Colony Section VIII-B and Section VIII-C and generally located south of Champions Drive and south of Crown Colony Section VIII-A be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**6. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - ZONE CHANGE - APARTMENT, SPECIAL USE (MEDICAL OR DENTAL CLINIC) - LOCAL BUSINESS ZONING DISTRICT - MEDICAL PLAZA, INC. - 1212-1220 ELLIS STREET - GEORGE THANNISCH**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of an Ordinance to change the zoning from "A, SU" Apartment, Special Use (Medical or Dental Clinic) to a "LB" Local Business Zoning District on approximately 1.859 acres of land described as tracts 61-66 of the J. A. Bonton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and known as Medical Plaza, located at 1212-1220 Ellis Street as requested by George Thannisch, M. D. on behalf of Medical Plaza, Inc.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Ordinance to change the zoning from "A, SU" Apartment, Special Use (Medical or Dental Clinic) to a "LB" Local Business Zoning District on approximately 1,859 acres of land described as tracts 61-66 of the J. A. Bonton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and known as Medical Plaza located at 1212-1220 Ellis Street as requested by George Thannisch, M. D. on behalf of Medical Plaza, Inc. be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**7. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - COMMERCIAL VEHICLES RESTRICTED ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was further discussion of an Ordinance restricting commercial vehicles on residential streets.

City Manager Maclin stated that this item was brought to Council based on a lot of requests from Councilmembers and Neighborhood Associations. City Manager Maclin stated that staff hosted a Public Hearing on December 1st and the minutes of that Public Hearing have been included in the Council packet. City Manager Maclin stated that also included in the Council packet is a sample Ordinance, the information that was presented by the Director of Public Works at the November meeting reviewing parking regulations in other communities (Grande Prairie, Longview and Tyler), and a copy of the first Ordinance that was submitted. City Manager Maclin stated that the only change that staff would recommend based on input from the Police Department and from the citizens who showed up at the Public Hearing meeting was the definition of a commercial motor vehicle and it is defined as having three or more axles. City Manager Maclin stated that the definition that was referenced on the first draft was referencing Section 522.003 of the Local Government Code and uses a weight classification which staff thinks from an enforcement standpoint would be much more difficult

and time consuming. City Manager Maclin stated that the comments from the citizens on the weight situation would probably include more vehicles, and they wanted to make sure that this Ordinance did not apply to recreational vehicles or travel motor homes. City Manager Maclin stated that based on the Police Department input staff feels like using the definition "by axles" will be much easier to enforce. City Manager Maclin stated that staff is at the point now to seek Council's direction, and if there is other input, changes, alterations, additions or deletions that Council would prefer, staff is asking for that information.

Wendell Addington, who lives at 1904 Howard, stated that the two areas he was concerned about are 1907 and 1909 Howard. Mr. Addington stated that two truck drivers live at these locations and park their trucks over night. Mr. Addington stated that at the time he left his house to come to tonight's meeting there was an 18-wheeler parked on the street that was fully loaded. Mr. Addington stated that at the Public Hearing meeting he mentioned the ruts (4 to 6" off of the pavement) made by these trucks. Mr. Addington stated that he has since contacted Kenneth Williams, Director of Public Works, and he stated that he would send a supervisor out and check the situation. Mr. Addington stated that a few days after Mr. Williams sent the supervisor out the lady that lives at 1909 Howard got a pickup load of rock and filled in some of the ruts. Mr. Addington stated that that night the truck came back in and mashed the rocks down. Mr. Addington stated that the asphalt has been torn completely away where these trucks are parking, and the neighborhood would appreciate any help from the City they could get.

Mr. Addington stated that he is a security officer for Lufkin Industries and had talked to the man who weighs trucks and asked him the definition of an empty truck and tractor and he said it would range from 31,000 lbs. plus and that the average truck and trailer weights 32,000 lbs. Mr. Addington stated that he is aware that the Ordinance says that you cannot park within 50' of a fire hydrant and he has called the Police Department several times. Mr. Addington stated that the Senior Citizens Center is located at 2808 Valley and a lot of senior citizens come off of East Denman turning on Howard Street to get to Valley. Mr. Addington stated that there are two vans of senior citizens who come to the Center every day.

Mr. Addington presented a picture taken by his wife yesterday morning to Mr. Maclin showing that all 18 wheels were on the street. Mr. Addington stated that he is aware that truck drivers have to make a living. Mr. Addington stated that the name of the company that owns the trucks is Fleetwood and operates out of Diboll.

In response to question by Councilmember Bowman, City Manager Maclin stated that hazardous materials is addressed through other ordinances. City Manager Maclin stated that the City does have a lot more control relating to hazardous materials by State law. Mr. Addington stated that these trucks do not haul hazardous materials.

Councilmember Simond submitted an article from the Houston Chronicle for the record.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, City Manager Maclin stated that the only change is to simplify the definition of a commercial motor vehicle. City Manager Maclin stated that the State Code that he referenced from the first draft (Section 522.003) designates greater than 26,000 lbs. as a commercial vehicles. City Manager Maclin stated that staff felt that the time that that would take to accurately enforce would be almost prohibitive. City Manager Maclin stated that staff feels that as a first start to use the three axle approach makes more sense, but if Council continues to receive other types of complaints after the Ordinance is approved, then that can be addressed with a follow-up by expanding the definition. City Manager Maclin stated that this Ordinance is basically what the State law is, it just changes the definition for simplification purposes to three axles or more.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, City Manager Maclin stated that it is his opinion that this Ordinance addresses the concerns brought up in the Public Hearing. City Manager Maclin stated that there were two concerns of significance in terms of repetitive remarks and the first one dealt with recreational vehicles and some concern about not including them as a commercial vehicle. City Manager Maclin stated that a gentleman who owns a logging/trucking operation expressed his concern about an employee who used that vehicle to get back and forth to work and where they would be able to park that vehicle.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, City Manager Maclin stated that RV's would not be included in this Ordinance unless they were a three axle vehicle under this definition, and the majority are two axles.

Councilmember Gorden stated that he was assuming that this Ordinance would not be enforced unless it was actively brought to the City's attention. City Manager Maclin stated that the Ordinance would be enforced through complaints. The frustration of the Police Department at this time is that they are getting complaints but they have no way to address the concerns of the citizens, as Mr. Addington pointed out, the visibility problems and/or the depreciation to the street in their neighborhood.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, City Manager Maclin stated that there were about 15

people present at the Public Hearing and less than half of them actually spoke. City Manager Maclin stated that the vast majority of those present were in support of the City having an Ordinance prohibiting parking commercial vehicles on the street right-of-way.

Ben Hooker, 107 Whippoorwill, stated that he would like to reiterate what he had said at the Public Hearing and that is that his main concern is safety. Mr. Hooker stated that he had given a couple of photographs to Mr. Maclin at the Public Hearing showing the trucks parked on the right-of-way at night and the trucks are not visible. Mr. Hooker stated that because he lives in the neighborhood and knows that the truck is there he can compensate for it, but someone who doesn't know it is there might come along one night and slam into the back of that 18 wheeler. Mr. Hooker stated that he would also like to reiterate that he did not like to put restrictions on anyone trying to make a living, and he wanted truckers to know that he was not against truckers.

Councilmember Gorden asked if anyone had any comments on parking for one hour versus overnight. Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the Ordinance addresses commercial vehicles that are performing work on a property or delivering goods.

Councilmember Simond stated that it was unconscionable to him that any City would allow an 18-wheeler to park overnight on a 27' street. Councilmember Simond stated that he did not believe that there had never been an accident with an 18-wheeler as stated by an individual at the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that Ordinance restricting commercial vehicles on residential streets be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**8. ORDINANCE - TABLED - ZONE CHANGE - DUPLEX TO CENTRAL BUSINESS - 105 N. CHESTNUT - BILLY S. LEE**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Billy S. Lee to change the zoning from "D" Duplex to "CB" Central Business at 105 N. Chestnut Street and described as Lot 6, Block 3 of the Shearer Addition and being located north of Lufkin Avenue, south of Margaret Street and east of Vann Street.

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that Council had received a letter from Mr. Lee asking that his zone change request be tabled and rescheduled for the first meeting in February.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that request of Billy S. Lee to change the zoning from "D" Duplex to "CB" Central Business at 105 N. Chestnut Street and described as Lot 6, Block 3 of the Shearer Addition and being located north of Lufkin Avenue, south of Margaret Street and east of Vann Street be tabled and rescheduled for the first meeting in February. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**9. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SPECIAL USE PERMIT - LOCAL BUSINESS - STEVE SPANGLER - CIRCLE S MOTORS - 1110 S. CHESTNUT STREET**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Steve Spangler of Circle S Motors, on behalf of Peco Oil, Inc. to grant a Special Use Permit on property zoned "LB" Local Business to allow for a used car sales lot located at 1110 S. Chestnut Street and generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Chestnut Street (Hwy. 58) and Denman Avenue (Hwy. 69).

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet is a memorandum of explanation from the Planning Department, and a recommendation by unanimous vote of the Planning & Zoning Commission for approval of the Special Use Permit with the following conditions: (1) The number of vehicles to be sold on the property shall be limited to no more than thirty (30) at any given time; and (2) A steel pipe barrier shall be erected on/or inside the property line so as to block any vehicles from entering or exiting the two paved entrances nearest the intersection of Chestnut Street and Denman Avenue. The barrier shall be constructed the entire length of the property starting from the north end of the south curb cut along Chestnut Street and the north end of the south curb cut along Denman Avenue to prevent the applicant from parking any vehicles in the right-of-way.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Ordinance to grant a Special use Permit on property zoned "LB" Local Business to allow for a used car sales lot located at 1110 S. Chestnut Street and generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Chestnut Street (Hwy. 58) and Denman Avenue (Hwy. 69) as requested by Steve Spangler of Circle S Motors on behalf of Peco Oil, Inc. be approved on First Reading with the following stipulations: (1) The number of vehicles to be sold on the property shall be limited to no more than thirty (30) at any given time; and, (2) A steel pipe barrier shall be erected on/or inside the property line so as to block any vehicles from entering or exiting the two paved entrances nearest the intersection of Chestnut Street and Denman Avenue. The barrier shall be constructed the entire length of the property starting from the north end of the south curb cut along Chestnut Street and the north end of the south curb cut along Denman Avenue to prevent the applicant from parking any vehicles in the right-of-

way. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**10. REQUEST - APPROVED - ANIMAL ADOPTION PROGRAM - ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY - JOHN ESTES**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was the request of John Estes to provide an animal adoption program at the City of Lufkin Animal Control Facility.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet is a letter requesting an appearance before the Council from Mr. John Estes. City Manager Maclin stated that this request is predicated on the consideration for Council to allow an animal adoption program to be included as part of the services provided by the City of Lufkin Animal Control Care Department. City Manager Maclin stated that in response to Mr. Estes' letter, there is also included in the packet some information provided by Cathy Clark, Animal Control Director, with statistics, humane society adoption records, a calendar of activities and following that letters of support from various State and National groups. City Manager Maclin stated that Ms. Clark has also included a proposed adoption program for Council's consideration that includes information relating to fees, etc., and some information from local veterinarians regarding fees that would be charged for the spaying and neutering services that would be required as part of the adoption program.

John Estes stated that it is his understanding that 7,000 animals have been taken to the shelter this past year, and since 1994 this number has been consistent, which makes a total of 28,000 for the last four years. Mr. Estes stated that we have reached the point where this City has gotten so big that we need to implement another adoption program. Mr. Estes stated that the Winnie Berry Humane Society has adopted out 633 animals, which is not enough, and the facility is not big enough to accommodate the amount of animals coming through the shelter. Mr. Estes stated that the Winnie Berry Shelter has immunized 5,000 animals this year. Mr. Estes stated that with another adoption program this will give more animals a chance to make it through adoption. Mr. Estes stated that most people do not know about the Winnie Berry Humane Society and most people do not know that you cannot adopt animals through the Animal Shelter. Mr. Estes stated that he would like to end by pledging a portion of his business, Redi-Rooter, to the adoption program at the Animal Control and Care Protection Services and would encourage other business people to do the same.

Cathy Clark, Director of Animal Control and Care Protection Services, stated that the City of Lufkin has grown to need another adoption program. Ms. Clark stated that the shelter has taken in over 7,000 animals a year at their facility and has been consistent for the past four years. Ms. Clark stated that in accordance with the City's Mission Statement she thinks that it is necessary at this time that we provide another adoption program so that we can meet the needs of our citizens.

In response to question by Mayor pro tem Boyd, Ms. Clark stated that currently the procedure for animal disposition on an adoption basis through their facility is that the Winnie Berry Adoption Center supervisor comes to their facility every other Wednesday and selects animals for adoption. Ms. Clark stated that the animals that they have not selected for their adoption program she has been sending with their adoption transfer program to the SPCA in Dallas. Ms. Clark stated that she had adoption transferred 665 animals in 1997. Ms. Clark stated that if the animals are not taken by the Winnie Berry Adoption Center or transferred to Dallas they are euthanized.

Councilmember Gorden asked in people are asking for more animals than Winnie Berry has available. Ms. Clark stated that the adoptions at the Humane Society were 633 in 1997, and only 26% of those came from the Animal Shelter. Ms. Clark stated that she takes in about 300 or more dogs and 300 or more cats a month and the Animal Shelter only takes about 20 or 25 of those a month.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, Ms. Clark stated that the majority of the animals she gets at her facility are Angelina County-generated.

In response to question by Councilmember Bowman, Ms. Clark stated that she could implement an adoption program with the other cities that the City of Lufkin has contracts with for other services. Ms. Clark stated that at this time the only costs she has on the adoption program for the City would be spaying and neutering that Dr. Ashburn has provided, and there are three other veterinarians that have confirmed with letters that they would help in this program. Ms. Clark stated that the other greatest expense outside of the spaying and neutering will be the occult heart worm checks on the dogs and feline AIDS and leukemia tests on the cats. Ms. Clark stated that those tests will not be performed until somebody selects an animal. Ms. Clark stated that people who adopt the animals will pay for the costs of the spaying and neutering, the tests and the shots.

Ms. Clark stated that she is trying to offer another adoption program and does not want to demonstrate that she is trying to give any competition to an existing adoption program. Ms. Clark stated that her adoption rates will be the same as those at Winnie Berry Humane Society.

In response to question by Councilmember Gorden, City Manager Maclin stated that he had spoken with Mr. Zeagler who is the president of the Humane Society and requested from him something in writing

by policy where they could come and select animals for adoption purposes as they are doing now. City Manager Maclin stated that Mr. Zeagler agreed to provide that so that there would not be an adverse impact on the supply of animals they currently use. City Manager Maclin stated that he talked with Mr. Zeagler last week and informed him that this item would be on the agenda tonight so that he could be present if he wanted to be.

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that by having another adoption program available to the public it would cut down on the number of animals euthanized each year.

In response to question by Councilmember Weems, Ms. Clark stated that she will generate an adoption application similar to what other cities have requiring general information to assume that we are adopting these animals out to individuals that are going to be responsible pet owners. Ms. Clark stated that virtually any adoption program whether it is a government, city or county agency or humane society has an adoption application. Ms. Clark stated that all the animals adopted will be spayed/neutered because that is a requirement by State law.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that the City of Lufkin Animal Control Facility provide an animal adoption program as part of its services. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**11. REQUEST - APPROVED - RENAME PRIVATE DRIVE - PIPELINE ROAD - REECE LANE**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was a request to rename private drive formerly known as Pipeline Road to Reece Lane.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet is a memorandum from the Engineering Department. City Manager Maclin stated that the owner, Mrs. Ruth Anderson, who owns the drive has made the request that it be renamed. City Manager Maclin stated that the City has constructed a new sewer line along this drive and will be repaving it soon. City Manager Maclin stated that water and garbage services are already provided to homes located on this drive. City Manager Maclin stated that this is primarily for use with the 911 address system.

In response to question by Councilmember Bowman, Mr. Wright stated that Reece was Mrs. Anderson's maiden name.

Motion was made by Councilmember Percy Simond and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman to approve the renaming of Pipeline Drive to Reece Lane as requested. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**12. POLICY - APPROVED - COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM RESERVATIONS**

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was a policy for the Council Chamber room reservations.

City Manager Maclin stated that City Secretary Atha Stokes had provided Council with a starting point for a suggested reservation policy. City Manager Maclin stated that staff felt like they needed to bring this suggested policy to Council's consideration because of the fact that new carpet had been installed, and this would be the appropriate time for Council to have some definitive policy for this room. City Manager Maclin stated that with a policy of this nature it would prolong the life of the carpet and aesthetic appearance of the room.

Mrs. Stokes stated that basically staff is asking that no weekend reservations be made for the Council room and that no food or drink be allowed. Mrs. Stokes stated that staff is asking that any group using the room who violates the policy of no beverages be asked to pay for cleaning the carpet. Mrs. Stokes stated that the carpet cleaning company charges a minimum fee of \$50.

In response to question by Mayor pro tem Boyd, City Manager Maclin stated that staff is not asking for a deposit because it would create a lot of paperwork. City Manager Maclin stated that staff would like to try this approach initially and if it does not work staff will come back to Council and ask for permission to use the deposit process.

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that any meeting held in the Council room would be for City functions only and any other meetings would take place in Room 202.

In response to question by Councilmember Simond that if staff was not asking for a deposit and the people refused to pay for cleaning what recourse would we have, City Manager Maclin stated that the only penalty would be that the City would not allow them to use the room again.

Motion was made by Councilmember Percy Simond and seconded by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. that the Council Chamber Room Reservation Policy as presented by staff be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that the next item for consideration was the Investment Committee's Report.

Councilmember Gorden stated that the Committee met and had an excellent meeting going over the investments of the City in greater detail than normal. Councilmember Gorden stated that there are some position trends that tie back into changing market conditions that are boding well for some of the items the Committee covered. Councilmember Gorden stated that he was well pleased with the City's Investment Counselor, Dick Long.

Councilmember Weems stated that the Administration is keeping the City's funds invested over a short term which is good, and is meeting the needs of the City for the greatest amount of return.

Motion was made by Councilmember Tucker Weems and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that the Investment Committee's Report be accepted as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor pro tem Boyd recessed Regular Session at 6:05 p.m. and entered into Executive Session at 6:28 p. m. Mayor pro tem Boyd stated that Council had discussed an appointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

15. APPOINTMENT - APPROVED - PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION - DR. ODIS RHODES

Motion was made by Councilmember Percy Simond and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Dr. Odis Rhodes be appointed to the unexpired term of Rodney Peters who resigned due to a job transfer. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

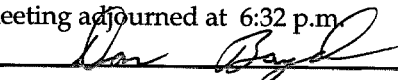
16. COMMENTS

City Manager Maclin stated that a schedule notifying Council of his employee quarterly meetings had been placed on the Council table.

City Manager Maclin reminded Councilmembers of the Lufkin/Nacogdoches Day in Austin Thursday afternoon.

City Manager Maclin stated that the DETCOG meeting will be held on January 29 in San Augustine.

17. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Don Boyd  
Mayor pro tem

ATTEST:



Atha Stokes - City Secretary