

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE
15th DAY OF AUGUST 2000 AT 5:00 P. M.

On the 15th day of August 2000 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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| Louis Bronaugh | Mayor |
| R. L. Kuykendall | Mayor pro tem |
| Don Boyd | Councilmember, Ward No. 2 |
| Lynn Torres | Councilmember, Ward No. 3 |
| Bob Bowman | Councilmember, Ward No. 4 |
| Jack Gorden, Jr. | Councilmember, Ward No. 5 |
| Dennis Robertson | Councilmember, Ward No. 6 |
| C. G. Maclin | City Manager |
| James Hager | Asst. City Manager/Finance |
| Atha Stokes Martin | City Secretary |
| Bob Flournoy | City Attorney |
| Keith Wright | City Engineer |
| Kenneth Williams | Director of Public Works |

being present when the following business was transacted.

1. Rev. Bettie Kennedy, Pastor, Collins Chapel CME Church opened meeting with prayer.
2. Mayor Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Dennis Robertson that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 1, 2000 and Budget Workshop meeting of July 25, 2000 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

**4. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – SECOND READING – SPECIAL USE PERMIT –
BED AND BREAKFAST FACILITY – RESIDENTIAL SMALL ZONING –
BROOKSHIRE POND SUBDIVISION – 2000 PAUL AVENUE – DELETION OF
SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR MACHINE AND MOTORCYCLE REPAIRS –
JOHNNY FUTCH**

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of an Ordinance for a Special Use permit for a Bed and Breakfast Facility within a "Residential Small" zoning district on 5.305 acres of land described as Lot 1 of the Brookshire Pond Subdivision and more commonly known as 2000 Paul Avenue; and consider deleting an existing Special Use Permit for Machine and Motorcycle Repairs on the referenced property as requested by Johnny Futch.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that Ordinance for a Special Use Permit for a Bed and Breakfast Facility within a "Residential Small" zoning district on 5.305 acres of land described as Lot 1 of the Brookshire Pond Subdivision and more commonly known as 2000 Paul Avenue, and the deletion of an existing Special Use Permit for Machine and Motorcycle Repairs on the referenced property as requested by Johnny Futch be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. TAX LEVYING ORDINANCE – APPROVED – FIRST READING

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of the Tax Levying Ordinance.

City Manager Maclin stated that items #5 – 9 are the Ordinances on First Reading to establish the City's budget for fiscal year 2001. Mr. Maclin stated that item #6 is the Appropriations Ordinance, #7 is the Residential and Commercial Water Rates Ordinance, #8 is Sewer Rates Ordinance, and #9 is the Solid Waste Rates Ordinance. Mr. Maclin stated that as a follow up to the discussion at last meeting when Council talked about the "red tag program" and the opportunity for citizens who desire to have an additional gray container, staff has established through a rate analysis done by the Asst. City Manager, a rate of \$5.26 per month.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Tax Levying Ordinance be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE – APPROVED – FIRST READING

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of the Appropriations Ordinance.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Appropriations Ordinance be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – FIRST READING RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WATER RATES REVISED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of an Ordinance to revise residential and commercial water rates.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Ordinance to revise residential and commercial water rates be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – FIRST READING – SEWER RATES REVISED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the item for consideration was First Reading of an Ordinance to revise sewer rates.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Ordinance to revise sewer rates be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – FIRST READING – SOLID WASTE RATES REVISED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of an Ordinance to revise solid waste rates.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Ordinance to revise solid waste rates be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. RESOLUTION – APPROVED – TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – 2001 GRANT APPLICATION

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a Resolution authorizing submission of the City's 2001 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant application.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet, in addition to this Resolution, there is a memorandum from the City Engineer providing an overview of the project.

Keith Wright, City Engineer, stated that staff put together seven different projects within the City that would possibly qualify for the TCDP program. Mr. Wright stated that he met with the grant consultants and Goodwin-Lasiter, the City's Engineers, and they finalized the request down to this project, which had the most need and the greatest potential for being funded. Mr. Wright stated that the project is in an old area of town where parts of the water lines were laid in the 1930's and the 1950's. Mr. Wright stated that there are numerous leaks in this subdivision and it is an area that needs repair. Mr. Wright stated that the estimated construction costs, including engineering and grant consultant fees, is \$346,150. Mr. Wright stated that staff is requesting a \$250,000 grant from the Texas Community Development Program, where the City would provide a \$179,650 match. Mr. Wright stated that to fund the match staff would more than likely look at the Depreciation Fund or put it in the next year's budget if the grant is approved.

In response to question by Councilmember Robertson, Mr. Wright stated that it is possible that only the engineering fees would be taken from this year's budget and the actual construction would be taken from next year's budget. Mr. Wright stated that there are two ways to fund this project and they are the construction portion in next year's budget, or in the Water/Sewer Depreciation Fund.

City Manager Maclin stated that the last couple of years DETCOG has done a biennial granting meaning they take funds for two years and instead of funding eight projects like they used to do, they are able to fund closer to 16 projects based on that allocation by the State.

Raymond Vann, grant consultant, stated that the fact that DETCOG is doing a "double up" year, 2001-2002, there is a great possibility that the City will be funded. Mr. Vann stated that he would point out that this project serves 503 residents, which is a large number, 77% of which are low to moderate income. Mr. Vann stated that these are undersized lines that do not meet TNRCC minimum standard of size, and the pressure will not meet minimum TNRCC standards. Mr. Vann stated that those are all plusses. Mr. Vann stated that the City's biggest negative is that they were funded last year, which means that we will lose about 10 points in the competition. Mr. Vann stated that otherwise it is a very good project and should be competitive.

In response to question by Councilmember Boyd, Mr. Vann stated that DETCOG is still giving priority to water and sewer projects.

In response to question by Councilmember Robertson, Mr. Vann stated that the biggest factor in getting funded is a factor called community distress where 55 points are awarded and they include percent of persons living in poverty, very low per capita income, and a high unemployment rate. Mr. Vann stated that typically the City has not scored as well in this competition as the City of Groveton, or Newton because they have a very high number of people living in poverty and a very low per capita income. Mr. Vann stated that this is where the City loses points in the competition.

Mr. Wright stated that the City was funded last year on the asbestos cement pipe replacement project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Resolution authorizing submission of the City's 2001 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant application be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. 2000 JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT – APPROVED

Mayor Brionaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a Resolution pertaining to a 2000 Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant.

City Manager Maclin stated that on the Council table is a sheet entitled Planned Summary, which is an overview of this grant application. Mr. Maclin stated that Juvenile services granted funds last year that were handled through the County and this

year they have agreed to partner with the City on this particular project. Mr. Maclin stated that they would basically work with community policing and juvenile services using the community services assigned through Teen Court to paint homes for individuals who are in the targeted area of low to moderate and fixed income senior adults who otherwise would have difficulty in getting their homes painted.

City Manager Maclin stated that Community Policing Officer Stallard has already done some of the painting through volunteers and donations and it has proven to be very successful.

Chief Collins stated that about six or eight months ago he came to Council with this same grant and did not have an eligible project for this grant so he asked Council's permission to give it to the Juvenile Probation Department. Chief Collins stated that the project that the Juvenile Probation Department had fell through and they came back and told the Police Department they still had the money and if the City could come up with a suitable project the money was still available. Chief Collins stated that the Police Department came up with this program where Officer Stallard was using teenagers who had been sentenced to community service to paint houses. Chief Collins stated that there was a problem with getting enough paint to do the job properly and they have had to rely on donations of paint. Chief Collins stated that the Chamber of Commerce has been able to assist in this project. Chief Collins stated that staff found out that this type of project would qualify and so he is before Council tonight to ask permission to apply for the grant and use that \$7,149 from the juvenile account of the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant to purchase paint in order to continue with this project and paint some low income homes.

In response to question by Councilmember Boyd, Chief Collins stated that the County's part of the grant is \$13,693, and the City's part is \$7,000, and the City would get the whole grant. Chief Collins stated that the City would have to come up with \$794 for their part of the match.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that Resolution pertaining to a 2000 Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. PRELIMINARY DRAFT REPORT – SURFACE WATER STUDY – LAKE SAM RAYBURN

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a preliminary draft report for surface water study on Lake Sam Rayburn.

City Manager Maclin stated that last year Council authorized staff to move forward and develop a feasibility study for surface water treatment and utilization for the City's surface water rights on Sam Rayburn. Mr. Maclin stated that a group of engineering firms came together and put together a plan. Mr. Maclin stated that plan is on the Council table in a notebook entitled "City of Lufkin Surface Water Study". Mr. Maclin stated that he has asked the engineers to give Council an executive summary of the report specifically highlighting those areas that Council has not heard to date in terms of the recent completed parts of the plan and then give an entire overview of the plan.

City Manager Maclin stated that he would also ask today that Council consider having a workshop about three weeks from now to get into more detail of the study.

Larry Lasiter of Goodwin-Lasiter stated that he wanted to thank the City of Lufkin, City Council and staff who had all been very cooperative with the study team in producing this study and providing information that was needed, and made trips to Austin to meet with the Texas Water Development Board and offered assistance in the regional planning committee to coordinate their documents with the documents that are being produced from this study. Mr. Lasiter introduced the study team – Larry Smith and Susan Crawford of Kemp Dresser McKee; Wayne Stoltz, Jed Morris and Rick Freeman of EGA; Bob Thurber and Steven Norman of KSA; and Mike Walker, John Russ and himself were the main participants of Goodwin –Lasiter. Mr. Lassiter stated that he wanted to thank the study team and their cooperation.

Mr. Lasiter stated that he would start by reviewing some of the items that have been talked about previously. Mr. Lasiter stated that the water well supply field, the Carizo Aquifer that the City is using, is reaching maximum capacity as far as its ability to produce water being pumped from it. Mr. Lasiter stated that there are a number of new wells being planned not only by the City of Lufkin but also by other water users and in the very near future there will be well capacity in the Aquifer beyond the capacity of the Aquifer to safely support the production. Mr. Lasiter stated that the other problem they are dealing with, as shown on the slide, are half-mile circles of current producing wells or newly planned or constructed wells in the Carizo Aquifer. Mr. Lasiter we are quickly running out of space to locate a well that will not interfere with someone else's well.

Mr. Lasiter stated that based upon Lufkin and Angelina County's projected growth rate of 1.9%, which may be a little low, you can see that the purple line that is the City of Lufkin and the green line is Angelina County show the peak demands based on MGD and that we are just barely staying ahead of the peak demands. Mr. Lasiter stated that based on this growth rate, it will carry the City out to the year 2015 before they will be facing an upgrade in the plant in the future. Mr. Lasiter stated that anytime you are talking about projections in the future those have to re-looked at and updated from time to time based on current growth rate, demands and trends.

Mr. Lasiter stated that in regard to the water supply agreements as far as their rights to water on Sam Rayburn, the City has 43,000 acre feet of storage space in Rayburn's conservation pool, and has the right to withdraw 28,000 acre feet of raw water annually, which computers to 25 MGD. Mr. Lasiter stated that there is no constraint on the maximum rate at which water can be withdrawn so you can have peak days that exceed 25 MGD. Mr. Lasiter stated that the City can meter and treat the water withdrawn using conventional standard treatment plant process and can sell that water to other users. Mr. Lasiter stated that the water sample location in Sam Rayburn, site #1, is at the SH 103 Bridge crossing of the reservoir and site #3 is at the SH 147 crossing. Mr. Lasiter stated that sites #3 and #4's water quality were almost identical. Mr. Lasiter stated that site #3 is the site that is closest to the proposed intake structure location.

Larry Smith, of Camp Dresser McKee, stated that he would be talking about the treatment plant and touching briefly on the intake structure that supports the treatment plant. Mr. Smith stated that they did some testing on water out of Sam Rayburn Reservoir looking at various chemical additions and testing methods to see what had to be done to meet various regulatory requirements. Mr. Smith stated that after they did the testing they evaluated three basic treatment alternatives, three different processes that might be applicable to Lufkin's water, based on cost, how proven the process was, the simplicity of operation and also the flexibility for expansion in the future. Mr. Smith stated that what they recommend for Lufkin at this time is to plan on a conventional treatment pump process sized initially at 10 MGD but initially designed to allow for expansion up to 25 MGD, which is the annual average allowed by the City's water rights contract. Mr. Smith stated that this process really consists of a settling process where you settle out large pieces of material going through filters to get the clarity that you would want in your drinking water.

Mr. Smith stated that going along with the treatment plant is the intake structure. Mr. Smith stated that this part of the project was done by KSA. They looked at several different components in evaluating options for the intake structure at Sam Rayburn Reservoir. Mr. Smith stated that there was a long list of rules and regulations by TNRCC and the Corps of Engineers that had to be considered, topography of the lake, the treatment plant location, the accessibility to a site for the intake, the power availability, the depth of withdrawal and one important consideration was the lowest lake level of record was 151. Mr. Smith stated that to put that in perspective the lake right now is at elevation 158, and then the construction cost had to be considered. Mr. Smith stated that based on consideration of those various components, the recommendation for the intake structure consists of this: intake would consist of a structure on the banks of the lake with two lines running into the lake for withdrawal of the water (these would be at two different elevations -137 1/2 and 145). Mr. Smith stated that the lowest elevation of record was 151, so the upper intake would be about six feet below that. Mr. Smith stated that they would recommend that the intake structure be sized initially and constructed for the full MGD, because of the high cost of constructing something in the water, but at the same time they would recommend that

the pumps that would have to be installed at the intake structure would be sized for 10 MGD. Mr. Smith stated that there would be a 24-inch line running from the intake structure to the treatment plant itself.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the location proposed for the treatment plant and intake structure is basically along SH 147 from the Cassell-Boykins Park area where the bridge is back to the southwest towards Zavalla, a fairly large area that you could find sites in that would be feasible for constructing the treatment plant.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the next part of the system is the transfer pumping and storage system and the issues they were looking at are: the TNRCC rules, location near the treatment plant, power availability, types of materials and methods used in construction, hydraulic conditions of pumping the water back to the City of Lufkin, and flexibility for expanding the plant and construction costs.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the recommended facilities for the transfer pumping facilities (this is the facility that pumps the treated water from the treatment plant back to the City of Lufkin and along to other users along the way), is with a total storage on site of 4 MGD in multiple tanks so that maintenance could be done on a tank without losing storage. Mr. Lasiter stated that the transfer pumping would have an initial capacity of 11.25 MGD with spare pumps and to upgrade the system to the 15 MGD (shown about 15 years into the future) it would take the addition of one more pump. Mr. Lasiter stated that the City would also have standby power with the capacity to pump 15 MGD back to the City and location at the treatment plant site.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the transmission line evaluation was performed by EGA with assistance from Goodwin-Lasiter. Mr. Lasiter stated that the issues they were considering in the evaluation of the different line routes were: the pipe hydraulics using different sizes and types of pipe, the pumping horsepower requirements to pump along that route, topography of the route, route constraints, potential for service to other users, construction cost and flexibility for future expansion, and the proposed widening of U. S. 69, which parallels much of the route. Mr. Lasiter stated that the recommended transmission line is a 36" pipe, which will handle the capacity of 10 MGD as well as 15 MGD. Mr. Lasiter stated that the line route falls along State highways and County road right-of-way, some cross-country on U. S. Forest Service property and then utilizing a route along the abandoned railroad right-of-way following U. S. 69 which is a planned widening of U. S. 69 that would follow that route also. Mr. Lasiter stated that that right-of-way acquisition effort could be coordinated with the Highway Department, which should reduce some of the cost to the City in acquiring right-of-way. Mr. Lasiter stated that as far as the piping materials, they would look at various sizes and types of pipe for several reasons. One is to try to get the best value for the City at the time the pipe is bid out, trying to get the pipe suppliers to be competitive with their materials.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the transmission line route would follow from the treatment plant area and then cross-country through some U. S. Forest Service property to U. S. 69 and then follow U. S. 69 along the north side and then up through the City of Huntington. Mr. Lasiter stated that the route through the City of Huntington proposes along the railroad right-of-way, which has been abandoned, and then following on up to Ford Chapel Road in the City of Lufkin (the proposed I 69 corridor). Mr. Lasiter stated that they are proposing that the new booster pump station will be located on the east side of I 69.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the next feature in this system is the booster plant that is located near the City of Lufkin. Mr. Lasiter stated that the issues they were considering were the distribution system needs, siting constraints, power availability, the proposed I 69 route, future growth trends of the City, flexibility for expansion, and construction costs. Mr. Lasiter stated that the recommended facilities at the booster plant include six million gallons of storage, also multiple tanks so that rehab and maintenance could be performed, pumping capacity of 14 MGD, chemical feed andredisinfection, standby power and a location along the I 69 corridor. Mr. Lasiter stated that one of the reasons why they did not want to cross the I 69 corridor was development up and down I 69. Mr. Lasiter stated that they felt like it would be a natural to have a major water main up and down the I 69 corridor in the City's future distribution system.

Mr. Lasiter stated that as far as the financial impact, the estimated total project cost is \$46.5 million based upon the recommended system, and that is for a Phase I 10 MGD. Mr. Lasiter stated that the cost per thousand gallons of water treatment capacity is \$1.18 to \$1.29 per thousand gallons and that depends on the terms and financing. Mr. Lasiter stated that this is based on being fully funded by loans and not receiving any grants. Mr. Lasiter stated that there is possibility of some grant funds and deferring of some of the expense, plus some loans that have graduating payments.

Mr. Lasiter stated that they also looked at some alternatives that would possibly save cost in the Phase I construction. Mr. Lasiter stated that if they used every alternative that was considered it would reduce the cost of the plant down to \$37.8 million, which would be a minimum cost to construct the facilities. Mr. Lasiter stated that the cost of that per thousand is \$1.01 to \$1.10 per thousand gallons. Mr. Lasiter stated that the impact that would be felt by the City if they were able to enlist other water supplies would be reduced and early commitment by other water supplies would improve the financing options.

Mr. Lasiter stated that the next step in the process after completion of this study is to move ahead to some of the early stages of the project. Mr. Lasiter stated that water rate consultation is something that needs to be done to look at the City's current water rates and see what kind of impact the cost for these facilities will have on the water rates. Mr. Lasiter stated that acquisition for sites and right-of-way, environmental studies and TNRCC permitting and financial documentation are included in this stage. Mr. Lasiter stated that the estimated cost for the step one part of this project is about \$1 million.

Mr. Lasiter stated that completed tonight's presentation and they would be available to meet with Council in a workshop whenever they are ready.

City Manager Maclin stated that because of the volume of information, and sticker shock of \$46 million, staff wanted to give Council some time to absorb this information, and then have a workshop meeting for further discussion.

Councilmember Robertson stated that the City wants to make sure that information gets out to the public that we are dealing with a quality of water that will not cost an extra amount of money to treat. In response to question by Councilmember Robertson, Mr. Lasiter stated that basically the water quality of Sam Rayburn is typical for East Texas reservoirs and has the agricultural and timber issues up stream as any other lake in East Texas has. Mr. Lasiter stated that the kind of water quality issues we are dealing with on Sam Rayburn are really no different than any other lake. Mr. Robertson stated that he wanted to know if it would cost more to treat the water in Rayburn than it does to treat the well water. Mr. Maclin stated that he could guarantee that it would cost more than it does to treat the wells, because the well water by comparison is basically pure. Mr. Maclin stated that all the City does to the wells is chlorinate it, put some chloride in it and aerate it. Mr. Maclin stated that surface water treatment whether it is Sam Rayburn, Toledo Bend, Sabine River, Trinity River, is all going to cost 40% more than ground water would cost to treat on average. Mr. Lasiter stated that it would cost more than ground water because of the amount of the facilities and treatment it takes. Councilmember Robertson stated that he would like to see some analysis on the chemical and biological makeup of the water so that we will know what we are dealing with in regard to the public. Mr. Lasiter stated that in the workshop meeting they would bring some chemical analysis of other reservoirs. Mr. Wright stated that copies of the test results the City did are in the manual, and everything he saw met the EPA, primary and secondary requirements. City Manager Maclin stated that for referencing the study team could get comparisons with Lake Palestine, possibly Lake Tyler, and Lake of the Pines, which are major water suppliers to the larger cities north of Lufkin.

Councilmember Robertson asked if it would be better to have two 36" lines coming in so that one line could keep going while another line was shut down for repair. Mr. Lasiter stated that if this was the City's only supply of water, he would think the City would want two lines to have a redundant system, but in the case where the City of Lufkin has the ability to pump ground water and surface water, that gives the redundancy that is needed for short term. Mr. Lasiter stated that once the City exceeds 15 MGD of usage of surface water, we would have to add a second line.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that a Called Workshop Meeting be held on Monday, September 11, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers for further discussion of the surface water study. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. BID – APPROVED – FINAL CLARIFIER COATING – TANDEM TANK & TOWERS, INC.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the award of a bid for a Final Clarifier Coating for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

City Manager Maclin stated that included in the Council packet is a bid tabulation for painting of the concrete weir trough at the Water Pollution Control Plant. Mr. Maclin stated that the staff recommendation is to award the bid of Tandem Tank & Tower in the amount of \$14,900.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Dennis Robertson that the bid of Tandem Tank & Tower, Inc. in the amount of \$14,900 for a Final Clarifier Coating at the Wastewater Treatment Plant be approved as submitted. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

14. BID – APPROVED – PANELFOLD DOORS – CIVIC CENTER – TRW MODERNFOLD

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was bids for panelfold doors for the Civic Center.

City Manager Maclin stated that this was an item that was to be included in the Capital Improvements Program last year. Mr. Maclin stated that these are partition walls that divide the Civic Center to multiple rooms, which have gotten to the point of not being movable. Mr. Maclin stated that staff recommendation is the bid of TRW Modernfold in the amount of \$303,000. Mr. Maclin stated that one other bid was received but it did not meet the City's specifications.

In response to question by Councilmember Torres, Mr. Maclin stated that these are automated doors that are a lighter weight and are very similar to the existing doors. Ms. Thompson, Civic Center Director, stated that TRW has agreed to work closely with the Civic Center staff to avoid scheduling conflicts while the walls are being installed. Ms. Thompson stated that days had been blocked off for the very end of December and the first of January. Ms. Thompson stated that the demolition will take 10 days for each phase and there are two phases, and installation will be from 20 to 25 days.

Councilmember Gorden asked if this was the type of contract that the City might enter into with some type of specific performance if the contractor does not get the work completed on time. Councilmember Gorden asked that this be taken into consideration.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that the bid of TRW Modernfold in the amount of \$303,000 be approved as submitted. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

15. BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 4 – APPROVED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was Budget Amendment No. 4.

City Manager Maclin stated that this involves a couple of items that staff had discussed with Council at previous meetings, and is a Budget Amendment for audit purposes. Mr. Maclin stated that one of the items is the Parks spray/play construction. Mr. Maclin stated that the spray/play is basically complete, and staff hopes to have a ribbon cutting ceremony/dedication in September. Mr. Maclin stated that there are some minor maintenance items that need to be taken care of.

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Budget Amendment No. 4 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Bronaugh recessed Regular Session at 5:54 p. m. and entered into Executive Session. Regular Session reconvened at 6:24 p. m. and Mayor Bronaugh stated that Council had discussed appointments to the Blue Ribbon Bond Committee, an appointment to the Civil Service Commission and attorney/client matters.

17. APPOINTMENTS – APPROVED – STREET BLUE RIBBON BOND COMMITTEE

Motion was made by Councilmember Don Boyd and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that Rodney Clements, Jesus Gomez, Ella Austin, Dr. Patricia McKenzie, Royce Garrett, Louise LaVane, Jay Glick, Kenzy Hallmark, Greta Rich, Tommy Thompson, David Abney and Elaine Jackson be appointed to the Blue Ribbon Bond Committee. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

18. APPOINTMENT – APPROVED – CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Motion was made by Councilmember Jack Gorden, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Dennis Robertson that Jim Myers be appointed to the Civil Service Commission. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

19. DILAPIDATED HOUSES DEMOLISHED

City Attorney Flournoy stated that the following houses were a fire and safety hazard and he would recommend that they be demolished:

1. 405 Locke Street
2. 808 Miller Street
3. 901 O'Quinn Street
4. 1007 O'Quinn Street
5. 107 Oak Street

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that demolition of dilapidated houses as recommended by the City Attorney be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

20. COMMENTS

Councilmember Don Boyd reminded Councilmembers of the TML Region 16 meeting in Pt. Arthur on Thursday, August 24th.

City Manager Maclin stated that the next DETCOG meeting would be held on August 24th in Trinity County.

City Manager Maclin also reminded Councilmembers that the Comprehensive Plan Update meeting would also be held on August 24th in the City Council Chambers.

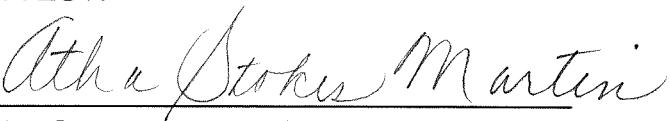
City Manager Maclin stated that there would be a dedication of the railroad mural on Friday morning.

City Manager Maclin stated that he would respectfully request that Councilmembers and the City Attorney stop by Diamond Photo between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. any day next week to have their picture taken for the web page.

21. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.


Louis Bronaugh
Mayor

ATTEST:


Atha Stokes Martin - City Secretary