

MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE
4th DAY OF JUNE 2002

On the 4th day of June 2002 the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in a Called Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members thereof, to wit:

Louis A. Bronaugh	Mayor
Lynn Torres	Mayor pro tem
R. L. Kuykendall	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Rose Faine Boyd	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Bob Bowman	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
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
Stephen Abraham	Director of Planning

being present, and

Jack Gorden, Jr.	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
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being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Steven Diaz, Associate Pastor, First United Methodist Church.
2. Mayor Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 21, 2002 were approved on a motion by Councilmember Dennis Robertson and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. REQUEST – TABLED – ZONE CHANGE – PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (NO. 3109) TO LOCAL BUSINESS – LAWRENCE A. CATES AND ASSOCIATES, INC. – TULANE DRIVE BETWEEN LOOP 287 AND HARMONY HILL DRIVE

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Lawrence A. Cates and Associates, Inc. to change the zoning classification on approximately 28.75 acres of land located on the east side of Tulane Drive between Loop 287 and Harmony Hill Drive from "Planned Unit Development (No. 3109)" zoning district to a "Local Business" zoning district.

City Manager Maclin stated that Council had on the table a copy of a letter that was sent to the City by Bryan Burger with Lawrence A. Cates & Associates. Mr. Maclin stated that Lawrence A. Cates & Associates is the requestor of record and this letter is requesting Council to table this issue today until the next Council meeting on June 18th.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that request of Lawrence A. Cates and Associates, Inc. to change the zoning classification on approximately 28.75 acres of land located on the east side of Tulane Drive between Loop 287 and Harmony Hill Drive from "Planned Unit Development (No. 3109)" zoning district to a "Local Business" zoning district be tabled until the June 18, 2002 Council meeting. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – SECOND READING – ZONE CHANGE – LARGE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND LOCAL BUSINESS TO LOCAL BUSINESS ZONING DISTRICT – BETTY SMITH – 505 LARGENT STREET

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Betty Smith to change the zoning classification on approximately 1.16 acres described as Tract 203 of the J. A. Bonton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and more commonly known as 505 Largent Street from "Large Single Family Residential" and "Local Business" zoning districts to a single "Local Business" zoning district.

City Manager Maclin stated that this is a routine Second Reading of the Ordinance requesting the zone change.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall that Ordinance to change the zoning classification on approximately 1.16 acres described as Tract 203 of the J. A. Bonton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and more commonly known as 505 Largent Street from "Large Single Family Residential" and "Local Business" zoning districts to a single "Local Business" zoning district be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. ORDINANCE – APPROVED – SECOND READING – ZONE CHANGE – RONALD J. FOY AND HECTOR M. ESCOBEDO – LARGE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND LOCAL BUSINESS TO COMMERCIAL – 706 AND 702 LARGENT

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the request of Ronald J. Foy and Hector M. Escobedo to change the zoning on approximately 3.397 acres of land described as Tract 143 and portion of Tract 144 out of the J. A. Boynton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and more commonly known as 706 and 702 Largent Street from "Large Single Family Residential" and "Local Business" to a single zoning classification of "Commercial".

City Manager Maclin stated that this is a routine Second Reading of the Ordinance requesting the zone change.

Motion was made by Councilmember and seconded by Councilmember that Ordinance to change the zoning on approximately 3.397 acres of land described as Tract 143 and portion of Tract 144 out of the J. A. Bonton Survey (Abstract No. 5) and more commonly known as 706 and 702 Largent Street from "Large Single Family Residential" and "Local Business" to a single zoning classification of "Commercial" be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. BUDGET AMENDMENT – APPROVED – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a Budget Amendment to include a fourth position in the Information Technology Department.

City Manager Maclin stated that staff is seeking a revision in the FTE (full time equivalents) of the Information Technology Department. Mr. Maclin stated that this does not reflect a financial change because there are adequate revenues within that Department to absorb the cost of going from three personnel to four personnel. Mr. Maclin stated that in light of the growth of technological items including our broad band wireless WAN, our new internet protocol telephony system that will go into effect this week, as well as the Police Department's CDPD network, these are all things that have been put on line since the budget year began. Mr. Maclin stated that in order to provide adequate support to these areas and the critical nature of some of these areas, staff feels that an additional person is appropriate. Mr. Maclin stated that due to the savings that the City will realize from some of the implementation of these technologies we would easily be able to absorb the cost of this additional person within the existing budget.

In response to question by Councilmember Robertson, Mr. Maclin stated that actually the IT employees are salaried but they are working 14 hours a day in many cases. Mr. Maclin stated that we run the risk of burning out existing employees because they are working long hours to make ends meet. Mr. Maclin stated that staff is fearful that without additional personnel they will be spread too thin between the 40-odd computers at the Library plus the new lap tops that PD is now running, in addition to the new telephone system which effects every telephone in the City.

In response to question by Mayor Bronaugh, Mr. Maclin stated that the individual departments are not charged for the services of personnel in the IT Department, but are charged for the different license fees and maintenance fees, but in terms of allocation for the IT staff, the departments are not charged. Mr. Maclin stated that the library has a person that is designated to take care of the routine day-to-day technological needs. Mr. Maclin stated that there is networking needs and more complex issues that the IT staff has to provide staff for at the library.

Mr. Hager stated that the other funds actually do help support the Data Processing Department through the general administrative allocations, which include the water/wastewater, solid waste and recycling funds.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Dennis Robertson that Budget Amendment to include a fourth position in the Information Technology Department be approved as amended. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. AGREEMENT – TABLED – CITY OF LUFKIN – LISD

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was an agreement between the City of Lufkin and LISD.

City Manager Maclin stated that this item has been posted in Executive Session for attorney/client privilege.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Bowman and seconded by Councilmember Lynn Torres that the agreement between the City of Lufkin and LISD be tabled. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Bronaugh recessed Regular Session at 5:20 p. m. and Councilmembers entered into Executive Session. Regular Session reconvened at 6:20 p.m. and Mayor Bronaugh stated that the Council had discussed attorney/client matters, real estate and appointments to Boards and Commissions.

10. APPOINTMENT – APPROVED – ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Bob Bowman that Al Meyer, Jerry Benson and Rotley Tankersley be re-appointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

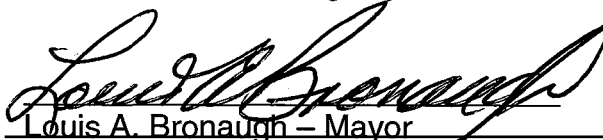
11. CALENDAR NOTATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, AND CITY MANAGER

City Manager Maclin stated that this Friday is the First Friday luncheon sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce with former District Judge Gerald Goodwin speaking.

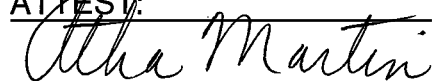
City Manager Maclin stated that on Wednesday, June 12, Gov. Perry and Secretary of Commerce Don Evans will be visiting a couple of local industries (American Color Graphics and Lufkin Industries) at 8 a.m. at the Chamber.

City Manager Maclin stated that Friday, June 14th is the Flag Day ceremony at Angelina County Court House beginning at 5:00 p.m.

12. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.


Louis A. Bronaugh - Mayor

ATTEST:



Atha Martin - City Secretary