

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 1<sup>st</sup>, DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013.**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013, 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:

Bob F. Brown	Mayor
Lynn Torres	Mayor Pro-Tem
Victor Travis	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Don Langston	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Sarah Murray	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Paul L. Parker	City Manager
Keith Wright	Deputy City Manager
Bruce Green	City Attorney
Kara Atwood	City Secretary
Rodney Ivy	Human Resources Director
Scott Marcotte	Police Chief
Gerald Williamson	Assistant Police Chief
Ted Lovett	Fire Chief
Duane Freeman	Assistant Fire Chief
Chuck Walker	Public Utilities Director
Steve Poskey	Street Department Director
Mike Akridge	Parks & Recreation Director
Dale Allred	Inspection Services Director

being present; and

Rufus Duncan	Councilmember Ward No. 5
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being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor J'maris Dixon, Believers of Faith Ministries.
2. Mayor Bob Brown welcomed visitors present.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 were approved on a motion by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Sarah Murray. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded to approve the minutes as presented.

4. **OATH OF OFFICE TO LUFKIN FIREFIGHTERS LARRY TUTT, RICHARD HUGHES, IVAN TAPIA, BLAIN BYRUM AND JARED BLACKMON.**

Mayor Bob Brown administered the Oath of Office to Lufkin Firefighters Larry Tutt, Richard Hughes, Ivan Tapia, Blain Byrum and Jared Blackmon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

5. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, BY CHANGING THE ZONING DESIGNATION FROM "RESIDENTIAL LARGE SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING" TO "RESIDENTIAL SMALL SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING" DISTRICT FOR PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LUFKIN LAND AND LUMBER COMPANY, #2, BLOCK 62, LOT 5 AND 4916 LUFKIN LAND AND LUMBER COMPANY #2, BLOCK 62, LOT 4.1 AND 4.2 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 908 AND 1000 RENFRO, 3110 FORD CHAPEL AND 904 RENFRO AND CHANGING THE 2001 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP TO "HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL" AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY PLANNER TO MAKE SUCH CHANGES ON THE OFFICIAL MAP – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the first item under new business was to conduct a Public Hearing and consider on First Reading an Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, by changing the zoning designation from "Residential Large Single Family Dwelling" to "Residential Small Single Family Dwelling" district for property described as Lufkin Land and Lumber Company, #2, Block 62, Lot 5 and 4916 Lufkin Land and Lumber Company #2, Block 62, Lot 4.1 and 4.2 commonly known as 908 and 1000 Renfro, 3110 Ford Chapel and 904 Renfro and changing the 2001 Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to "High Density Residential" and authorizing the City Planner to make such changes on the Official Map.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that this was a request for a change of zoning on several lots from "Residential Large Single Family Dwelling" to "Residential Small Single Family Dwelling" for the purpose of being able to build a smaller residence than is required in the "Residential Large Single Family Dwelling" zoning district. City Manager Parker stated that a residence built in this zoning district must be a minimum of one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) square feet, and this change would allow the construction of a residence with a minimum square footage of six hundred fifty (650). City Manager Parker furthered that the applicant's properties were located at 908 and 1000 Renfro Drive, 3110 Ford Chapel Road and 904 Renfro. City Manager Parker continued that the Future Land Use map recommended Low Density Residential for this area. City Manager Parker concluded that both Staff and the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of this change.

Mayor Bob Brown opened the Public Hearing at 5:13 p.m. and requested that anyone who wished to speak on the item to please step forward. There being no one who wished to speak; Mayor Bob Brown closed the Public Hearing and asked for comments or questions from the City Council.

Councilmember Victor Travis questioned if the zone change was required to build a smaller residence. City Manager Parker stated that it must be changed to build a smaller home.

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, by changing the zoning designation from "Residential Large Single Family Dwelling" to "Residential Small Single Family Dwelling" district for property described as Lufkin Land and Lumber Company, #2, Block 62, Lot 5 and 4916 Lufkin Land and Lumber Company #2, Block 62, Lot 4.1 and 4.2 commonly known as 908 and 1000 Renfro, 3110 Ford Chapel and 904 Renfro and changing the 2001 Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to "High Density Residential" and authorizing the City Planner to make such changes on the Official Map. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

6. **PURCHASE OF SIX (6) AUTOMATED FRONT LOAD RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR VEHICLES IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWO DOLLARS (\$1,649,602) FROM RUSH TRUCK CENTER THROUGH THE BUY BOARD – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item for consideration was the purchase of six (6) automated front load residential collector vehicles in the amount of one million six hundred forty-nine thousand six hundred two dollars (\$1,649,602) from Rush Truck Center through the Buy Board.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that Public Works Director Steve Floyd would explain the change being requested in the residential collector trucks and he would then explain the funding for the vehicles.

Public Works Director Steve Floyd made a presentation regarding the new type of residential collector trucks. Director Floyd highlighted the current Solid Waste Fleet. Director Floyd furthered that the new vehicles would be front load collectors instead of side load collectors which would increase efficiency and safety of the collection of refuse. Director Floyd continued that these vehicles would have a longer life and need fewer repairs than the existing trucks and would be able to be used for different applications such as commercial collection and special pick-ups. Director Floyd stated he would be glad to answer any questions. Deputy City Manager Keith Wright asked that Director Floyd expound on the

driver's opinions of the vehicle. Director Floyd stated that his drivers did have the opportunity to drive a demonstrator vehicle and they were very pleased with the truck and stated it made pickup much easier, especially in neighborhoods with cul-de-sacs. City Manager Parker stated that the current vehicles on the Amortization Schedule had been extended for two (2) years, past their four (4) year recommended life span. City Manager Parker stated that these new vehicles would have a life span of seven (7) years. City Manager Parker continued that the cost of each truck was two hundred seventy-four thousand nine hundred thirty-three dollars and sixty-six cents (\$274,933.66) for a total cost of one million six hundred forty-nine thousand six hundred two dollars (\$1,649,602). City Manager Parker stated that two hundred thirty five thousand dollars (\$235,000) per truck had been allocated for this purchase in the Amortization Schedule; however, Staff felt that the difference would be made up in the sale of the existing vehicles. City Manager Parker continued that Staff recommended City Council approve the purchase of these vehicles through the Buy Board. Councilmember Don Langston stated this was a great idea and would provide a much safer method of collection.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to approve the purchase of six (6) automated front load residential collector vehicles in the amount of one million six hundred forty-nine thousand six hundred two dollars (\$1,649,602) from Rush Truck Center through the Buy Board. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

7. **CONVEYANCE OF CITY OF LUFKIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2310 OLD UNION ROAD TO DR. RYAN HINCKLEY FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THIRTY THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$30,480) – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was the consideration of the conveyance of City of Lufkin property located at 2310 Old Union Road to Dr. Ryan Hinckley for the purchase price of thirty thousand four hundred eighty dollars (\$30,480).

City Manager Paul Parker stated this was one of the properties that City Council had previously identified for sale. City Manager Parker stated that this was being offered per State Law to an adjacent property owner for the appraised value. City Manager Parker continued that the property was a 0.346 acre parcel described as Lot 2, Block 1 of the Cedar Creek Regional Detention Pond No. 7, commonly known as 2310 Old Union Road. City Manager Parker furthered that the adjacent property owner, Dr. Ryan Hinckley, had agreed to purchase the property for the appraised value of thirty thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$30,150), plus appraisal fees, for a total price of thirty thousand four hundred eighty dollars (\$30,480). City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended City Council approve the sale of this property to Dr. Hinckley.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to approve the conveyance of City of Lufkin property located at 2310 Old Union Road to Dr. Ryan Hinckley for the purchase price of thirty thousand four hundred eighty dollars (\$30,480). Councilmember Victor Travis seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

Mayor Bob Brown recessed the Regular Session at 5:25 p.m.

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Bob Brown reconvened the Regular Session at 6:35 p.m.

9. **APPOINTMENT TO THE LUFKIN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU BOARD – TABLED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was to consider an appointment to the Lufkin Convention & Visitors Bureau Board.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to table confirming an appointment to the Lufkin Convention & Visitors Bureau Board. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to table was recorded.

10. **TAX ABATEMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH HIGH STANDARD CASTING, INC. – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item was to consider approval of a Tax Abatement and Economic Development Agreement and Lease Purchase Agreement with High Standard Casting, Inc.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that City Council had a recommendation from the 4B Board for a Tax Abatement and Economic Development Agreement and Lease Purchase Agreement with High Standard Casting, Inc. City Manager Parker stated this would be a continuation of the original agreement with Innovative Metal Components (IMC) and asked Deputy City Manager Keith Wright to explain the agreements.

Councilmember Don Langston recused himself from any discussion or vote on Item No. 10.

Deputy City Manager Wright stated this abatement finds that High Standard Casting, Inc. is a successor in interest to the original abatement granted to Innovative Metal Components. Deputy City Manager Wright continued that there was seven (7) years remaining on the initial ten (10) year agreement. Deputy City Manager Wright stated that the Lease Purchase Agreement would finalize the remaining value of the property at one million six hundred fifty dollars (\$1,650,000) and provide for a three tiered payment period. Deputy City Manager Wright explained the payment schedule and stated the nominal annual interest rate would be 2.722%. Deputy City Manager Wright concluded that Staff and the 4B Board both recommended approval of the tax abatement and lease purchase agreement.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve a Tax Abatement and Economic Development Agreement and Lease Purchase Agreement with High Standard Casting, Inc. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

11. **DISCUSSION OF ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST, INCLUDING EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS, CONGRATULATIONS OR CONDOLENCE; INFORMATION REGARDING HOLIDAY SCHEDULES; HONORARY RECOGNITIONS OF CITY OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHER CITIZENS; REMINDERS ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE CITY OR OTHER ENTITY THAT IS SCHEDULED TO BE ATTENDED BY CITY OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES; AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INVOLVING IMMINENT THREATS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITY.**

Mayor Bob Brown recognized those in attendance from Leadership Lufkin. City Manager Paul Parker highlighted the meetings and events on the calendar. City Manager Parker reminded City Council of the upcoming Business after 5 at Beard Jeweler's, Lufkin Bistro, First Friday Luncheon and the upcoming TML Convention in Austin. City Manager Parker stated that Entertainment in the Park would begin this Friday in Cotton Square Park during lunch and the annual Heritage Festival would be held on October 19<sup>th</sup> at the Lufkin Convention Center. City Manager Parker furthered that Downtown Trick or Treating would be held on October 31<sup>st</sup> and commended Main Street and Staff for their efforts. Councilmember Sarah Murray reminded all of the Citizen's Fire Academy Garage Sale scheduled for Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

12. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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Bob F. Brown, Mayor

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Kara Atwood, City Secretary

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