

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF MAY, 2020

On the 19th day of May, 2020 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
Mark Hicks	Mayor Pro Tem
Guessippina Bonner	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Lynn Torres	Councilmember, Ward No. 3
Rocky Thigpen	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Sarah Murray	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Keith Wright	City Manager
Bruce Green	Deputy City Manager/City Attorney
Jason Arnold	Assistant City Manager
Kara Andrepont	City Secretary
Rodney Ivy	Human Resource Director
Gerald Williamson	Public Safety Director
David Thomas	Police Chief
Jesse Moody	Fire Chief
Ryan Watson	Asst. Fire Chief
Belinda Melancon	Finance Director
Kevin Gee	Engineering Services Director
Michael Flinn	Parks and Recreation Director
Albert Duffield	Water and Sewer Director
Sid Munlin	IT Director

being present when the following business was transacted.

INVOCATION - The meeting was opened with prayer by Assistant City Manager Bruce Green.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mayor Brown opened the meeting for Public Comment on any posted agenda item at 5:00 p.m. There being no one that wished to speak, Mayor Brown closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 5, 2020 – APPROVED.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the minutes of the meeting as presented. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

2. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2019 – 2020 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 17) PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL, HOTEL/MOTEL TAX, SPECIAL RECREATION, PINES THEATER SPECIAL EVENTS, ELLEN TROUT ZOO BUILDING, COURT SECURITY/TECHNOLOGY, MAIN STREET/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENTS, ANIMAL SERVICES (KURTH GRANT), ANIMAL SERVICES (ANIMAL ATTIC), ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, LUFKIN CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE, WATER/WASTEWATER, SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING AND EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION & REPLACEMENT FUNDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE – APPROVED.

City Manager Wright stated that each year during the budget review process, Staff evaluated revenues and expenditures for each department to determine needed adjustments for the remainder of the fiscal year. City Manager Wright furthered that a chart detailing the information had been provided for each City Councilmember to review. City Manager Wright highlighted the projected expenditures and revenue for each fund as well as the loss of projected revenue due to the COVID-19 virus. City Manager Wright offered to answer any questions; there were none.

City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council approve the First Reading of an Ordinance authorizing Budget Amendment No. 17, which modifies the 2019 – 2020 Annual Budget to provide appropriate funding for each department for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LUFKIN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR A FISCAL YEAR 2020 CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,758 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – APPROVED.

City Manager Wright stated that the Lufkin Police Department was eligible for the U.S. Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program in the amount of \$32,758. City Manager Wright furthered that the allocated funds were to be distributed and used for Law Enforcement related needs in response to the COVID-19 virus for items such as personal protection equipment and COVID-19 related supplies.

City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council conduct a Public Hearing and approve a Resolution authorizing an application for a Fiscal Year 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Grant in the amount of \$32,758 through the U.S. Department of Justice.

Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 5:08 p.m. There being no one who wished to speak, Mayor Brown closed the Public Hearing and moved to comments from the City Council. There were none.


Councilmember Guessippina Bonner moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Rocky Thigpen seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

4. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

City Manager Wright reviewed the Financial Status Report and offered to answer any questions. There were none.

There being no further business, Mayor Bob Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.





Bob F. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kara Andrepont, City Secretary