MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 7TH DAY OF JUNE, 2011

On the 7th day of June, 2011, 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:

Jack Gorden, Jr.

Mayor Don Langston Mayor Pro-Tem

Victor Travis Councilmember, Ward No. 1 Robert Shankle Councilmember, Ward No. 2 Lynn Torres Councilmember, Ward No. 3 Rufus Duncan Councilmember, Ward No. 5 Phil Medford Councilmember, Ward No. 6

Paul L. Parker City Manager Keith Wright Deputy City Manager

Renee Thompson City Secretary

Rodney Ivy Human Resource Director

Scott Marcotte Police Chief Belinda Southern Finance Director Dorothy Wilson Planning Director Steve Floyd Public Works Director Steve Poskey Street Department Director

Barbara Thompson Main Street Director Jim Wehmeier **Economic Development Director** Dale Allred Inspection Services Director Wes Suiter Angelina County Judge

David Collier Oncor Electric

Ted Lovett Fire

Andra Williams Office Manager- Street Department

Cade Rudd Boy Scout – Troop 590

being present, and

Bruce Green City Attorney Danny Kistner Fire Chief

being absent, when the following business was transacted:

- 1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Steven Lantis, First Christian Church.
- 2. Mayor Jack Gorden welcomed visitors present. Mayor Gorden added that present in the audience was Cade Rudd, from Boy Scout Troop 590, who was working on his Citizenship in the Nation Badge.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 17, 2011, were approved on a motion by Councilmember Lynn Torres, and seconded by Councilmember Robert Shankle. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

OLD BUSINESS:

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, - APPROVED -BY GRANTING A "SPECIAL USE PERMIT" FOR A RESIDENTIAL HEALTH CARE FACILITY WITHIN A "COMMERCIAL" ZONING DISTRICT CERTAIN TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS

OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, BEING 5.07 ACRES OF THE CANTEX LUFKIN ADDITION, LOT 1, ANGELINA COUNTY, TEXAS, ALSO KNOWN AS 201 SOUTH JOHN REDDITT DRIVE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY PLANNER TO MAKE SUCH CHANGES ON THE OFFICIAL MAP AND CHANGE THE DESIGNATION OF THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN OF THE 2001 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO "MIXED USE"

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was a Public Hearing and Second Reading of an Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, by granting a "Special Use Permit" for a Residential Health Care Facility within a "Commercial" Zoning District on certain tracts or parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City of Lufkin, Texas, being 5.07 acres of the Cantex Lufkin Addition, Lot 1, Angelina County, Texas, also known as 201 South John Redditt Drive and authorizing the City Planner to make such changes on the Official Map and change the designation of the Future Land Use Plan of the 2001 Comprehensive Plan to "Mixed Use".

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the Staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended that the Council approve the "Special Use Permit" for a Residential Health Care Facility. City Manager Parker added that also included was a request for a change to the 2001 Comprehensive Plan and Official Map from "Retail" to "Mixed Use". City Manager Parker stated that there was a condition in the comments regarding a shared entry road. City Manager Parker added that included in the Council Packets was a design for the roads, and that the applicant and the City of Lufkin were in mutual agreement concerning the layout of the road. City Manager Parker stated that with that condition Staff recommended approval of the request.

Mayor Gorden opened the Public Hearing at 5:16 p.m. and asked anyone who wished to speak on the item to please step forward. There appearing to be no one who wished to speak, Mayor Gorden closed the Public Hearing at 5:17 p.m.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There were none.

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve the Second Reading of the Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, by granting a "Special Use Permit" for a Residential Health Care Facility within a "Commercial" Zoning District on certain tracts or parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City of Lufkin, Texas, being 5.07 acres of the Cantex Lufkin Addition, Lot 1, Angelina County, Texas, also known as 201 South John Redditt Drive and authorizing the City Planner to make such changes on the Official Map and change the designation of the Future Land Use Plan of the 2001 Comprehensive Plan to "Mixed Use". Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS. APPROVED - GRANTING TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NON-EXCLUSIVE ELECTRIC POWER FRANCHISE TO USE THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, ALLEYS, HIGHWAYS, PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY (PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY) OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, FOR THE **OF PURPOSES** CONSTRUCTING <u>AND</u> **OPERATING ELECTRIC** \mathbf{AN} DISTRIBUTION AND TRANSMISSION SYSTEM; SETTING FORTH TERMS AND **CONDITIONS TO** <u>GOVERN</u> THE FRANCHISE; **PROVIDING** COMPENSATION THEREFORE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF EXISTING FRANCHISE ORDINANCES TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC, ITS PREDECESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, A SAVINGS CLAUSE, THE TERM AND EFFECTIVE DATE; AND <u>FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS</u> **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, granting to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, its successors and assigns, a non-exclusive electric power franchise to use the present and future streets, alleys, highways, public utility easements, and other public property (public

rights-of-way) of the City of Lufkin, Texas, for the purposes of constructing and operating an electric distribution and transmission system; setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing for compensation therefore; providing for the repeal of all existing franchise Ordinances to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, its predecessors and assigns, a severability clause, a savings clause, the term and effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this Ordinance is passed is open to the public.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that this process had taken approximately a year to make sure that the City and Oncor were protected on all aspects of the Franchise Agreement. City Manager Parker added that a very workable plan had been achieved, and that Staff recommended that the Council approve the Franchise Agreement. City Manager Parker stated that the City appreciated the work that David Collier, from Oncor, had done toward assisting with the completion of the Agreement, and recommended that Council approve the Franchise Agreement.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There was none.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the Second Reading of the Ordinance of the City of Lufkin, Texas, granting to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, its successors and assigns, a non-exclusive electric power franchise to use the present and future streets, alleys, highways, public utility easements, and other public property (public rights-of-way) of the City of Lufkin, Texas, for the purposes of constructing and operating an electric distribution and transmission system; setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing for compensation therefore; providing for the repeal of all existing franchise Ordinances to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, its predecessors and assigns, a severability clause, a savings clause, the term and effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this Ordinance is passed is open to the public. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

NEW BUSINESS:

6. <u>ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO RUFUS DUNCAN, COUNCILMEMBER WARD NO. 5. (HONORABLE WES SUITER, COUNTY JUDGE)</u>

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was to administer the Oath of Office to Rufus Duncan, Councilmember Ward No. 5. (Honorable Wes Suiter, County Judge) Mayor Gorden then turned the meeting over to the Honorable Wes Suiter, Angelina County Judge to administer the Oath of Office.

The Honorable Wes Suiter, Angelina County Judge, then administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Rufus Duncan.

7. PRESENTATION OF CORPORAL BADGE TO LUFKIN POLICE OFFICER NICHOLAS MALONE BY MAYOR JACK GORDEN

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was supposed to be the presentation of a Corporal Badge to Lufkin Police Officer Nicholas Malone. Mayor Gorden explained that the item would be postponed until a later date.

8. <u>AWARD OF BID FOR THE SELLER STREET FENCE CONSTRUCTION TO WALL ENTERPRISES – APPROVED - IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$71,873.50)</u>

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was the award of bid for the Seller Street Fence Construction to Wall Enterprises, in the amount of seventy-one thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty cents (\$71,873.50).

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the City of Lufkin received a seven hundred fifty thousand dollar (\$750,000) maximum amount grant from the Texas Capital Fund Infrastructure Program for the construction of Sellers Street, which was the lead street going into the Aspen Power Plant. City Manager Parker added that fencing around Sellers Street in

the parking area was a part of the project. City Manager Parker stated that the street was originally bid and awarded for three hundred seventy-four thousand eight hundred twenty-eight dollars and twenty cents (\$374,828.20). City Manager Parker added that the City had recently received bids on the two thousand three hundred one (2,301) linear feet of seven foot (7') chain link fence with razor ribbon, and the gates that went with the property in the amount of seventy-one thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty cents (\$71,873.50), with Wall Enterprises being the low bidder. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended that the Council award the bid because it was still well below the budget amount, and was sent and approved by the State. City Manager Parker added that Staff recommended that the Council award the contract for seventy-one thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty cents (\$71,8731.50) to Wall Enterprises, for the construction of fence and gates for the Aspen Power site.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There was discussion among the City Council, Mayor and City Manager regarding the bid and the construction project.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to award the bid for the Seller Street Fence Construction to Wall Enterprises, in the amount of seventy-one thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty cents (\$71,873.50). Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. <u>APPOINTMENT - APPROVED - TO THE DEEP EAST TEXAS RURAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (DETRTPO)</u>

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was the appointment to the Deep East Texas Rural Transportation Planning Organization (DETRTPO).

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the Deep East Texas Council of Government (DETCOG) recently requested that the City of Lufkin form a new Deep East Texas Rural Transportation Planning Organization (DETRTPO). City Manager Parker explained that any city with a population over ten thousand (10,000) were able to appoint one (1) government official as a voting member to DETRTPO. City Manager Parker added that each county could appoint two (2) elected officers to the board. City Manager Parker stated that Mayor Jack Gorden had expressed a desire to serve on the board, if the City Council concurred. City Manager Parker added that the responsibilities would be similar to the I-69 Committee that the Mayor currently served on. City Manager Parker added that DETRTPO would review State plans and give the East Texas Region more of voice on the projects selected by the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation. City Manager Parker stated that DETRTPO would also look at other aspects of Federal funding, such as through "The District" or other busing type programs. City Manager Parker then opened the floor to the City Council to make the appointment to DETRTPO.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There was discussion among the Council regarding the makeup of DETRTPO.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to appoint Mayor Jack Gorden to the Deep East Texas Rural Transportation Planning Organization (DETRTPO). Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. <u>DISCUSSION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LUFKIN/ANGELINA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ANALYSIS PREPARED BY THE MIKE BARNES GROUP</u>

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was a discussion of the implementation of the Lufkin/Angelina County Economic Development Analysis prepared by the Mike Barnes Group.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that recently Mike Barnes Group gave the results of the study regarding Economic Development in Lufkin and Angelina County. City Manager Parker explained that the information was very broad in scope with many facets to the study. City Manager Parker stated that the City Council had asked him to work with Trey

Henderson and David Perkins to prioritize portions of the study that should be concentrated on first. City Manager Parker added that there was a misconception that part of the recommendation from the study would be an additional staff position. City Manager Parker stated that additional staff was part of the study, and was part of working with the retention of local business, but was not a part of the initial recommendation at the current time. City Manager Parker then turned the meeting over to Economic Development Director Jim Wehmeier to give an overview of the recommendations.

Director of Economic Development Jim Wehmeier stated that he would try to be brief in his summation and would try to hit on the high points. Mr. Wehmeier added that City Manager Parker had mentioned the staffing, and that the group had decided that this would require continued monitoring and discussion at a later date. Mr. Wehmeier stated that the original study was done by the Barnes Group and was fairly detailed, fairly technical and had mixed reviews. Mr. Wehmeier added that it was decided that he would put together a starting point, and that the study was what he would refer to as a "living document". Mr. Wehmeier stated that he would begin with a few ideas that could help the program and the community, and as growth took place other ideas from the study would be pulled in and tweaks would be made.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that there were a number of things that had already been implemented before receiving the final results of the study that had been looked at and monitored through the program. Mr. Wehmeier added that there were other things that were immediately implemented as soon as the study was received.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that the newsletter was provided, and that Mr. Barnes had given a proprietary list of site selectors and commercial real estate consultants that he had dealt with over his career. Mr. Wehmeier explained that those had been implemented, and had been included in all of the newsletters and communication. Mr. Wehmeier stated that the website had been updated and the amount of data had been expanded. Mr. Wehmeier explained that whenever a site consultant or company looked at a community, it was rare for them to contact Economic Development personnel before going to the website. Mr. Wehmeier added it was very important for the details to be on the website, in order to generate the telephone call.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that it was also important to have staff handled visits with local business retention and expansion and local industry. Mr. Wehmeier explained that there were often things in the meetings that were confidential and difficult to discuss in large groups of people. Mr. Wehmeier added that he would set up business retention and expansion meetings with himself, and then his assistant Jenae Fenley would then ask if there was anyone else in the City that the site consultant or company would like to meet with from the City, County or Economic Development Partnership.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that another key strategy was to join the Industrial Asset Management Council (IAMC). Mr. Wehmeier stated that the IAMC was a fairly new organization and that the membership base was one third (1/3) large corporate real estate asset managers, one third (1/3) service providers and one third (1/3) Economic Development Professionals. Mr. Wehmeier added that Staff had attended their first conference, and that it was the best conference that he had been to since he had been in Economic Development.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that one (1) item that had been mentioned multiple times was that Economic Development had an incredible association with Angelina College, and were lucky to have the college in the community. Mr. Wehmeier added that Economic Development was also lucky to have a four (4) year university just up the street in Nacogdoches, and that Economic Development needed to make sure that they were making the most of the relationship with the Stephen F. Austin State University, as well as the local community college. Mr. Wehmeier explained that a committee had been formed to insure that they were making the most of both of the higher education institutions that were in Lufkin, Angelina County and Nacogdoches.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that another idea was to host an "Allies Day". Mr. Wehmeier explained that "Allies Day" was for site selectors, governmental officials, public utilities, railroads, or anyone that could enhance the Economic Development Program. Mr. Wehmeier added that the events would be very small, so that a concentrated effort could be spent with

the "allies" to make sure they knew what the product was, and to show them a good time while they were in Lufkin.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that to fully implement the Business Retention and Expansion Program (BRE) he stayed in contact with industries through official and unofficial visits. Mr. Wehmeier added that he talked to each industry on an ongoing basis. Mr. Wehmeier explained that the industries were very confident that they had his office number, cell number and home number, and could get in touch with him whenever needed. Mr. Wehmeier stated that Lufkin had some great successes in business retention and expansion.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that another item to be implemented was to focus marketing efforts on suggested "Target Sectors". Mr. Wehmeier stated that he had very specifically told the people doing the Barnes Study that he wanted them to convey what their expertise told them, and to not tell him just what he wanted to hear. Mr. Wehmeier explained that he agreed with some of the targets, and there were some that he felt that the time might not be right for. Mr. Wehmeier added that there was a great core of targets in the community that could be expanded on. Mr. Wehmeier stated that he had listed some of the outreach opportunities in his report, so that the City Council could get an idea of the types of events that could be Mr. Wehmeier stated that he had also broken down some details on the implementable items, such as the "Allies Day" and the closer association with Stephen F. Austin University. Mr. Wehmeier stated that the report showed that there were two (2) committees being recommended. Mr. Wehmeier explained that one (1) of the committees was the "Higher Education Coordinating Committee", that would make sure that Economic Development had the closest relationship with Stephen F. Austin University and Angelina College that was possible. Mr. Wehmeier stated that the other committee was to help develop small businesses. Mr. Wehmeier added that some of Mr. Barnes targets were from graphic arts, engineering and professionals. Mr. Wehmeier stated that one (1) way to implement that would be through a low cost incubator program. Mr. Wehmeier explained that Economic Development would offer recent graduates of Stephen F. Austin, Texas A & M, or any other area universities an incentive to come back to Lufkin. Mr. Wehmeier added that there would be a lot of details to be worked out, but that was just one (1) committee that could work.

Mr. Wehmeier stated that the additional staff had been talked about, and everyone agreed that efforts needed to be focused on outreach, and down the line, if that could not be done effectively without additional help, it would be addressed. Mr. Wehmeier added that no requests were being made, at the current time, for additional staff. Mr. Wehmeier stated that he would answer any questions that the City Council had regarding the report.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There were some comments regarding the Economic Development public/private partnership.

11. <u>PRESENTATION BY STREET DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR STEVE POSKEY REGARDING THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND STREET OVERLAY PROGRAM</u>

Mayor Jack Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was a presentation by Street Department Director Steve Poskey, regarding the Street Department and Street Overlay Program.

Street Department Director Steve Poskey stated that the mission of the Street Department was to provide quality streets, drainage and traffic control devices for the citizens of Lufkin. Mr. Poskey added that the motto of the department was "Adapt, improvise and overcome". Mr. Poskey explained that the Street Department was responsible for maintaining and repairing seven hundred fourteen (714) streets totaling 208.9 miles. Mr. Poskey added that the department's thirty-four (34) employees were divided into four (4) divisions. Mr. Poskey stated that the divisions were Administration, Repair, Maintenance and Right-of-Way.

Mr. Poskey explained that the Administration Division was responsible for direction and supervision of all Street Department projects and personnel. Mr. Poskey added that the Administration Division also maintained departmental records and prepared the budget.

Mr. Poskey explained that the Repair Division was responsible for all street repairs, such as patching pot holes and repairing utility cuts. Mr. Poskey added that the Repair Division was also responsible for repair and maintenance of drainage systems, including storm drains, curbs, sidewalks, ditches, culverts and creeks. Mr. Poskey stated that the division also maintained and constructed new drainage systems. Mr. Poskey then showed video of some of the equipment being used, and repairs and maintenance being done in the division.

Mr. Poskey stated the Maintenance Division maintained all streets, which included street reconstruction, overlays and crack sealing. Mr. Poskey added that on average, the department overlaid 3.5 miles of streets per year. Mr. Poskey stated that the Maintenance Division was also responsible for large storm drain projects, house demolitions and construction of new parking areas. Mr. Poskey then showed video of equipment being used, and construction of storm drains, asphalt being laid and many other maintenance projects being done.

Mr. Poskey stated that the last division was the Right-of-Way Division. Mr. Poskey explained that the Right-of-Way Division swept streets and maintained right-of-ways, including mowing, edging, herbicide application, limb trimming and dead tree removal. Mr. Poskey added that the division was also responsible for maintaining all traffic control devices, including signs, school flashers, signal systems and pavement markings. Mr. Poskey then showed video of men cleaning up storm debris, putting up Christmas decorations, boarding up a condemned house, making and installing signs, street sweepers and other work being done by the division. Mr. Poskey stated that the Right-of-Way division was responsible for mowing all city streets along with TxDOT, streets inside Loop 287 and all of the detention ponds. Mr. Poskey continued to show video of herbicide application, and streets and parking lots being striped.

Mr. Poskey stated that he was proud of his department and its personnel, and would answer any questions that the City Council had regarding the Street Department.

City Manager Parker stated that the Street Department was pulled in many directions. City Manager Parker added that the department was called to do many different projects for the City of Lufkin.

Mayor Gorden asked for questions or comments from the Council. There were none. Mayor Gorden stated that the Council appreciated Mr. Poskey's dedication to the City and that the department didn't always get the recognition that they deserved.

12. Mayor Jack Gorden recessed the Regular Session at 5:50 p.m. to enter into Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: In accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (2) Consultation with City Attorney on any Regular Session Agenda item requiring confidential, attorney/client advices necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items (as needed), and real estate, demolition of buildings, or appointments to boards and personnel may be discussed.

Mayor Jack Gorden reconvened the Regular Session at 6:55 p.m.

13. DISCUSSION **ITEMS** OF **COMMUNITY** INTEREST. **INCLUDING** CONGRATULATIONS **EXPRESSIONS** THANKS, 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 OR **EMPLOYEES**; AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **INVOLVING** IMMINENT THREATS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE CITY

Mayor Gorden stated that the next item for consideration was the 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.

City Manager Parker stated that Fire Chief Danny Kistner had resigned effective on June 24, 2011. City Manager Parker then announced that the City of Lufkin had appointed Ted Lovett as Interim Fire Chief. City Manager Parker added that Mr. Lovett would take full responsibility of the Fire Department on June 25, 2011. City Manager Parker explained that Assistant Fire Chief Duane Freeman was offering his full support of the decision. City Manager Parker added that Mr. Freeman had held the position of Interim Fire Chief in the past and did an excellent job. City Manager Parker stated that he looked forward to working with Chief Lovett, and that he appreciated Assistant Chief Freeman for all of the work he had done in the past, and would continue to do to support Chief Lovett in his position.

City Manager Parker stated that on Thursday, June 16, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Lufkin City Hall, Room 102 (City Council Chambers) the Citizens Redistricting Committee would be holding a Public Hearing regarding the Ward Redistricting for the City of Lufkin. City Manager Parker explained that the Committee had been meeting and had decided on two (2) options for redistricting the City of Lufkin. City Manager Parker added that both options met all of the Federal and legal requirements. City Manager Parker stated that the public was encouraged to come to the Public Hearing, and that if anyone had any interest in the redistricting there would be copies of the proposed maps on display at the Kurth Memorial Library and at the Lufkin City Hall Atrium. City Manager Parker added that individual copies could be obtained from the City Administration Office. City Manager Parker stated that the City would also take comments in writing, if anyone chose to do so, and that he encouraged all citizens to be involved in the process. City Manager Parker stated that the two (2) proposed redistricting options would be discussed at the Public Hearing, and that input would be received during that meeting. City Manager Parker added that the Citizens Redistricting Committee would possibly make a recommendation at the Public Hearing or at a subsequent meeting, if there were enough comments from the citizens. City Manager Parker stated that a proposed Redistricting Map should be presented to the Council sometime in July 2011. City Manager Parker then reiterated that the public was encouraged to attend the Public Hearing on Thursday, June 16, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lufkin City Hall, Room 102 (City Council Chambers).

City Manager Parkers stated that the City was in the midst of the Runoff Election for the Councilmember Position for Ward No. 6. City Manager Parker added that Early Voting was taking place at the Lufkin City Hall Atrium and would continue through Tuesday, June 14, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. City Manager Parker stated that Election Day would be on Saturday, June 18, 2011, at the Kurth Memorial Library.

City Manager Parker stated that the City of Lufkin Employee Picnic would be held on Saturday, June 25, 2011, at Ellen Trout Park from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

City Manager Parker stated that there would be a meeting of the Lufkin Convention and Visitors Bureau on Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce.

14. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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Renee Thompson – City Secretary