MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 26TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

On the 26th day of June 2024, the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting (Annual Budget Retreat) at Kurth Lake Lodge, Lufkin, Texas at 8:30 a.m.

Mark Hicks Mayor

Guessippina Bonner
Robert Shankle
Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Brent Watkins
Councilmember, Ward No. 3
Kim Ogden
Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Jimmy Ford
Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Adam Lowther
Councilmember, Ward No. 6

Kevin Gee City Manager Kristi Skillern City Attorney

Brian Bray Assistant City Manager

Albert Duffield Utilities Director
Kara Andrepont City Secretary
Belinda Melancon Finance Director
Chris Key City Engineer

being present when the following business was transacted.

INVOCATION – The meeting was opened with prayer by Councilmember Jimmy Ford.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> – Mayor Hicks opened the meeting for Public Comment on any posted agenda item at 8:31 a.m. There being no one who wished to speak, Mayor Hicks closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

1. FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2023-2024 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 19) APPROPRIATING THE FUNDING IN VARIOUS FUNDS (MID-YEAR BUDGET AMENDMENT) - APPROVED

City Manager Gee highlighted significant portions of the mid-year Budget Amendment and mid-year supplemental requests that were included in the budget. City Manager Gee stated that this Budget Amendment simply realigned expenditures and revenues to complete the current fiscal year and added projects that could be completed and funded prior to year-end. Discussion ensued among Staff and City Council regarding funds and planned projects.

Councilmember Brent Watkins moved to approve the Ordinance authorizing Budget Amendment No. 19. Councilmember Jimmy Ford seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

2. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE 2024-2025 CITY OF LUFKIN ANNUAL BUDGET – NO ACTION

City Manager Gee presented the proposed budget and reviewed significant changes in the upcoming budget. City Manager Gee detailed revenue funds and planned expenditures. Discussion ensued regarding the budget, Capital Improvement Projects, Departmental issues and tax revenue projections. No action was taken.

3. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF CITY OF LUFKIN BOARDS & COMMITTEES- NO ACTION

City Secretary Kara Andrepont provided information regarding the Lufkin Convention and Visitors Bureau Board, Downtown Advisory Board and the Taxicab Committee. City Secretary Andrepont explained that the Lufkin Convention and Visitors Bureau Board and Downtown Advisory Board were no longer needed due to the City assuming the Lufkin Convention and Visitors Bureau. City Secretary Andrepont stated that the City Council would assume the role of the Taxicab Committee with the revision of the existing Vehicle for Hire Ordinance. City Secretary Andrepont concluded that these items would be presented at a later date for action by City Council. No action was taken.

There being no further business, Mayor Hicks adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Mark Hicks, Mayor