

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012**

On the 2nd day of October, 2012, 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 Brown	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
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
Gerald Williamson	Assistant Police Chief
Ted Lovett	Fire Chief
Belinda Southern	Finance Director
Steve Floyd	Public Works Director
Steve Poskey	Street Department Director
Chuck Walker	City Engineer/Public Utilities Director
Michael Akridge	Parks & Recreation Director
Dorothy Wilson	Planning & Zoning Director
Jim Wehmeier	Economic Development Director
Barbara Thompson	Main Street Director
Gordon Henley	Ellen Trout Zoo Director

being present when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Jennifer Steele-Lantis.
2. Mayor Bob Brown welcomed visitors present. Ellen Trout Zoo Director Gordon Henley introduced the Zoo's newest lion cub, Sango.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 18th, 2012 were approved on a motion by Councilmember Lynn Torres and seconded by Councilmember Robert Shankle. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded to approve the minutes as presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. **ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE DEEP EAST TEXAS REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (DETRAC) TO THE LUFKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$9,873) AND A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2012/2013 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1), PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item of business was to consider acceptance of a grant from the Deep East Texas Regional Advisory Council (DETRAC) to the Lufkin Fire Department in the amount of nine thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars (\$9,873) and a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 1), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date.

City Manager Paul Parker stated the City of Lufkin Fire Department had recently received notice that the Department had been awarded nine thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars (\$9,873)

from the Deep East Texas Regional Advisory Council (DETRAC). City Manager Parker furthered that the Fire Department wished to use these funds for the purchase of hydraulic rescue tools for Engine No. 5 and flat-form lifting bags for the Special Operations Unit. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended City Council accept the distribution of funding from Deep East Texas Regional Advisory Council (DETRAC) in the amount of nine thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars (\$9,873) and approve Budget Amendment No. 1.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the acceptance of a grant from the Deep East Texas Regional Advisory Council (DETRAC) to the Lufkin Fire Department in the amount of nine thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars (\$9,873) and a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 1), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

5. CONTRACT WITH MUNISERVICES, LLC FOR THE AUDIT OF HOTEL/MOTEL PROPERTIES IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$15,200) AND A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2012/2013 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 2), PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider approval of a contract with Muniservices, LLC for the audit of Hotel/Motel properties in the amount of fifteen thousand two hundred dollars (\$15,200) and a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 2), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; and providing an effective date.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the City of Lufkin collected Hotel/Motel tax from all establishments within the City Limits and within the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) and payments are remitted to the City by the establishments based on the receipts collected by each hotel/motel. City Manager Parker stated that MuniServices, LLC performed audits of the receipts and taxes remitted for hotels/motels and the City of Lufkin last audited hotels/motels in 2006 and 2007. City Manager Parker stated that during 2006 and 2007, every entity that submitted hotel/motel taxes was audited and through this audit process, the City of Lufkin received an additional fourteen thousand twenty-five dollars (\$14,025) in 2006 and twenty-eight thousand five hundred forty-eight dollars (\$28,548) in 2007 for a total of forty-two thousand five hundred seventy-three dollars (\$42,573) in additional funds.

City Manager Parker stated that Staff had reviewed the total receipts and taxable receipts of local hotels, motels and bed & breakfast establishments, and felt that there were a number of properties that raised questions. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended these properties be audited. City Manager Parker continued that MuniServices, LLC had agreed to audit each property for a fee of one thousand nine hundred dollars (\$1,900) each, or a total of fifteen thousand two hundred dollars (\$15,200) for eight (8) properties. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff believed that the City would recover the cost of the audit findings; however, even if the cost was not recovered, it was in the best interest of the City to periodically audit hotel/motels to ensure they were in compliance with current law.

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council. Councilmember Victor Travis questioned whether the cost of the audit could be recovered through the audit findings. City Manager Parker stated that the cost should be recovered; however, it would still be beneficial to have the audit performed.

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve a contract with Muniservices, LLC for the audit of Hotel/Motel properties in the amount of fifteen thousand two hundred dollars (\$15,200) and a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 2), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; and providing an effective date. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote was recorded.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2012/2013 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3), PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND CONSTRUCTION FUND; AND

PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE TO ESTABLISH FUNDING FOR THE 2012 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) CONTRACT NO. 712210 FOR THE LUBBOCK STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated the next item for consideration was a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 3), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund Construction Fund; and providing an effective date to establish funding for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that as City Council was aware, the City had recently received a 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) in the amount of two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$275,000) for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. City Manager Parker stated that this item was simply the acceptance of the grant and approval of a Budget Amendment that would appropriate the funding for the project.

Mayor Brown asked for comments or questions from the City Council.

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2012/2013 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 3), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund Construction Fund; and providing an effective date to establish funding for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

7. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO RAYMOND K. VANN AND ASSOCIATES FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS (\$31,590) FOR THE 2012 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) CONTRACT NO. 712210 FOR THE LUBBOCK STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider award of a contract to Raymond K. Vann and Associates for Grant Administration and Management Services in the amount of thirty-one thousand five hundred ninety dollars (\$31,590) for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that this item was the award of contract for grant management services for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. City Manager Parker stated that Council had recently authorized Staff to negotiate with Raymond K. Vann and Associates for these services and Staff recommended City Council award a contract to Raymond K. Vann and Associates in the amount of thirty-one thousand five hundred ninety dollars (\$31,590).

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council.

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve an award of a contract to Raymond K. Vann and Associates for Grant Administration and Management Services in the amount of thirty-one thousand five hundred ninety dollars (\$31,590) for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

8. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO GOODWIN-LASITER, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$37,400) FOR THE 2012 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) CONTRACT NO. 712210 FOR THE LUBBOCK STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item for consideration was the award of a contract to Goodwin-Lasiter, Inc. for Engineering Services in the amount of thirty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$37,400) for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project.

City Manager Paul Parker stated this item was the award of engineering services for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. City Manager Parker stated that Goodwin-Lasiter had previously worked with the City on the initial grant submittal for this project and City Council authorized Staff on September 18th, 2012 to negotiate with Goodwin-Lasiter, Inc. for engineering services for this project. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended that City Council award a contract to Goodwin-Lasiter, Inc. in the amount of thirty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$37,400) for the engineering services for this grant.

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve an award of a contract to Goodwin-Lasiter, Inc. for Engineering Services in the amount of thirty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$37,400) for the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Contract No. 712210 for the Lubbock Street Improvement Project. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

9. PURCHASE OF TWO (2) PETERBILT FRONT LOAD COMMERCIAL REFUSE TRUCKS THROUGH THE BUYBOARD IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY-SIX CENTS (\$480,283.56) – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider authorizing the purchase of two (2) Peterbilt Front Load Commercial Refuse Trucks through the BuyBoard in the amount of four hundred eighty thousand two hundred eighty-three dollars and fifty-six cents (\$480,283.56).

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the 2013 Amortization Schedule included the replacement of two (2) Peterbilt Front Load Commercial Refuse Trucks, which are used on the commercial routes for the emptying of dumpsters. City Manager Parker stated that the Solid Waste Department currently operated four (4) of these trucks on a daily basis; three (3) for solid waste collection and one (1) for commercial recycle collections. City Manager Parker continued that the two (2) units being replaced were 2009 Peterbilt chassis with Heil twenty-eight (28) cubic yard collector bodies. City Manager Parker stated that these trucks were some of the first received with the new 2009 EPA emissions systems and both trucks had experienced numerous mechanical breakdowns. City Manager Parker stated that one hundred thirty-seven thousand eight hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$137,858) had been spent on the two (2) units for repairs during the previous fiscal year. City Manager Parker continued that these trucks were purchased locally through Rush Peterbilt, who had worked very closely with Staff to keep the trucks in operation. City Manager Parker stated that several trucks had been purchased with the 2010 EPA emission system and these units were experiencing fewer mechanical breakdowns.

City Manager Parker stated that pricing had been secured through the BuyBoard for the purchase of two (2) 2013 Peterbilt 320 Trucks with Heil twenty-eight (28) cubic yard front load commercial bodies and the old trucks would be sold through the auction process once the new units were placed into service. City Manager Parker continued that the Amortization Fund allocated four hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$460,000) for the purchase of these units and that Staff anticipated that the salvage value of the two (2) existing units would far exceed the additional dollars required for the purchase from the Amortization Fund. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended approval of the purchase of two (2) Peterbilt Front Load Commercial Refuse Trucks in the amount of four hundred eighty thousand two hundred eighty-three dollars and fifty-six cents (\$480,283.56).

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council. Councilmember Don Langston questioned whether the loaders were included on the new trucks. City Manager Parker stated that the trucks were fully outfitted.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the purchase of two (2) Peterbilt Front Load Commercial Refuse Trucks through the BuyBoard in the amount of four hundred eighty thousand two hundred eighty-three dollars and fifty-six cents (\$480,283.56). Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

10. PURCHASE OF ONE (1) FRAZER TYPE I AMBULANCE WITH A 2013 CHEVROLET C3500 CAB & CHASSIS WITH A 6.6 L DIESEL ENGINE THROUGH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (HGAC) IN THE AMOUNT OF

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS
(\$132,240) – APPROVED.

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item was to consider the authorization of the purchase of one (1) Frazer Type I Ambulance with a 2013 Chevrolet C3500 cab & chassis with a 6.6 L diesel engine through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (HGAC) in the amount of one hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$132,240).

City Manager Paul Parker stated that the Amortization Schedule also included the purchase of a Frazer Type I Ambulance with a 2013 Chevrolet C3500 cab & chassis with a 6.6 L diesel engine. City Manager Parker stated that one hundred thirty-three thousand six hundred seventy-three dollars (\$133,673) had been allocated for this purchase. City Manager Parker stated that this unit would replace the current Med Unit No. 7, which was a 2006 model with over one hundred fourteen thousand (114,000) miles. City Manager Parker stated the old unit would be disposed of through the auction process once the new unit was placed into service. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended City Council approve the purchase of a Frazer Type I Ambulance with a 2013 Chevrolet C3500 cab & chassis with a 6.6 L diesel engine through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (HGAC) in the amount of one hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$132,240).

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the purchase of one (1) Frazer Type I Ambulance with a 2013 Chevrolet C3500 cab & chassis with a 6.6 L diesel engine through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (HGAC) in the amount of one hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$132,240). Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

11. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED 2012/2013
GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item on the agenda was the presentation and consideration of the proposed 2012/2013 General Fund Capital Improvement Program.

City Manager Paul Parker stated that Council had been provided a timeline of the steps necessary to sell bonds this year in order for the City to complete the bond sale and receive the tax credits and the best interest rate. City Manager Parker stated that was the reason for the presentation of Capital Improvement Program for consideration and approval during this meeting. City Manager Parker continued that since the previous meeting, Staff had revised the Joyce Lane project to include reconstruction of a three-lane curb and gutter street from Fuller Springs Drive to Burley School only. City Manager Parker stated that the Jones Street project had also been modified to reflect Council's previous recommendations. City Manager Parker stated that Staff had prepared a final recommendation of projects for Council's approval in the amount of seven million eight hundred forty-two thousand dollars (\$7,842,000) in bond funds and three hundred twenty-three thousand dollars (\$323,000) in water and sewer funds. City Manager Parker stated that Staff felt that the City could issue \$8.1 million dollars in bond funding without an increase in taxes. City Manager Parker also stated that the majority of the building projects had been removed under the direction of the City Council. City Manager Parker stated that Staff had also altered the street projects to "reconditioning" versus "reconstruction". Deputy City Manager Keith Wright stated that per City Council direction, Staff had researched all city owned properties, and would be presenting a recommendation of which properties should be sold. Deputy City Manager Wright then highlighted all the projects recommended and stated that if anyone had questions, he would be glad to answer them. Councilmember Lynn Torres asked for clarification on the location of the Joyce Lane Project. Deputy City Manager Wright stated that the project would be completed from Burley School to Fuller Springs Drive. Deputy City Manager Wright then highlighted the street projects and the corresponding traffic counts for each. Deputy City Manager Wright explained the projects by Ward and showed pictures of streets in need of repair. Deputy City Manager Wright furthered that it would be better to address the issues with these streets now, before they continue to deteriorate further. Deputy City Manager Wright reviewed the projects in Ward 1 which included Atkinson Drive and Third Street and the projects in Ward 2 that included Moffett Road and Spence Street. Deputy City Manager Wright continued with the presentation of projects in Ward 4 that included Joyce Lane and Champions Drive. Deputy City Manager Wright stated that projects in Ward 5 would include the North Brentwood Drive Extension and the reconstruction of Carriage Drive.

Councilmember Don Langston questioned why the majority of the projects did not include design fees. Deputy City Manager Wright stated that this was due to the bulk of the projects being completed in-house, with the exception of Joyce Lane. Deputy City Manager Wright highlighted the Tom Temple Boulevard and Pershing Avenue project and continued that Ward 6 projects included the reconditioning of Windsor Drive and Hill Street. Councilmember Sarah Murray questioned whether the Windsor Drive project was located near the ballparks. Deputy City Manager Wright stated it was located near the ballparks.

City Manager Parker reviewed the remainder of the projects not covered in the presentation including the Zoo Commissary, the purchase of Fire Engine No. 3 and the reconstruction of Fire Station No. 5. City Manager Parker continued that the purchase of the new engine and new Fire Station would make the Lufkin Fire Department one of the best in the State. City Manager Parker highlighted the Ellen Trout Zoo Walking Trail project and stated the project would be completed by City Staff. City Manager Parker reviewed the Brandon Park renovations and the construction of the Municipal Court Building. City Manager Parker stated that no recommendation had been made by the Construction Committee in regard to the location; however, the need for this facility still existed. City Manager Parker stated that the bond fees were estimated on the high side and the exact costs would not be known until meetings were held with the bonding company. City Manager Parker concluded that this was the Staff recommendation for the 2012 Capital Improvement Program and would be happy to answer any questions.

Mayor Brown then asked for questions or comments from the City Council.

Councilmember Don Langston stated that the City of Lufkin had been blessed financially, and he did not feel that it was in the best interest of the City to issue bonds at this time. Councilmember Langston continued that the City had a fund balance that exceeded the required reserve and there were other ways of funding these projects and he did not wish to tie up future tax dollars. Councilmember Langston stated that currently the City did not have any major financial concerns; however, Council should be cautious about the economy. Councilmember Langston stated that he did not want to move forward with the bond issue without researching all other funding avenues, even if projects had to be completed out of the fund reserve. Councilmember Murray asked if there were properties that the municipal court could move to instead of constructing a new facility for eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000). City Manager Parker stated that the renovation cost of moving the Court to an existing City owned building would far exceed the construction of a new building. Councilmember Murray stated that was a large amount of money for a Municipal Court building and asked if there was a location in mind. City Manager Parker highlighted the available locations that had been considered by Staff and reiterated that the cost of relocation and renovation would far exceed the cost of a new building. City Manager Parker stated that the Construction Committee would further review the project before making a recommendation on its location. Councilmember Murray stated that a number of the proposed projects bothered her and she could not vote for this issue without more information. Councilmember Rufus Duncan stated that he agreed with Councilmember Langston, that a number of the Street projects were really deferred maintenance. Councilmember Duncan stated that the bigger issue was the lack of street maintenance. Councilmember Duncan stated he would vote to approve the program with the exception of some projects. Councilmember Duncan stated that he did not know what amount of money it would take to correctly maintain City streets; however, it needed to be increased. Councilmember Duncan stated that we should not pass the 2015 bond issue, but move funding into maintaining and repairing streets. City Manager Parker stated that Staff was currently rating all streets and would formulate an amount that it would take to maintain, repair and/or overlay City Streets. City Manager Parker stated Staff had discussed increasing the PCI and then spread out the needed repairs based on the increased PCI over a number of years. Councilmember Victor Travis stated that he thought there would be further discussions regarding the projects prior to the Capital Improvement Program being placed on the agenda for consideration. Mayor Brown stated that was the reason for the item being on the agenda for discussion. City Manager Parker stated that any dollar amount of projects could be completed up to \$8.1 million.

Councilmember Rufus Duncan recommended that the projects be approved individually instead of in a group. Mayor Bob Brown stated that City Council could vote on the items individually or table the item, rate the projects and revisit the issue at a future Council meeting. Councilmember Sarah Murray stated she would rather rate the projects and revisit the issue. Mayor Brown asked who else wished to rate the projects. No other Council members wished to do so. City Council concurred to approve the proposed 2012/2013 General Fund Capital Improvement Program by each project, not as a group. The following motions and votes were recorded:

Construction of Zoo Commissary - \$395,000

Councilmember Don Langston asked if there were Zoo Building Funds available to construct the Zoo Commissary. City Manager Parker stated there were funds available in the Zoo Building Fund of approximately \$1.6 million dollars, which the Zoo desired to set aside for future improvements and exhibits. Councilmember Lynn Torres asked what the price of the proposed Great Ape exhibit would be. Gordon Henley, Zoo Director, stated that the cost was estimated at four million dollars (\$4,000,000). Councilmember Lynn Torres stated that using the Zoo Building Funds would delay this project. Councilmember Don Langston stated that he would also like to see more exhibits; however, there were other needs that needed to be weighed and addressed. Councilmember Don Langston stated that future costs needed to be considered. Councilmember Don Langston moved to construct the Zoo Commissary out of the Zoo Building Fund in lieu of bond funds. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a four (4) to three (3) vote as recorded below:

Aye:

Councilmember Don Langston
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:

Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Councilmember Robert Shankle

Fire Engine No. 3 - \$500,000

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve the purchase of Fire Engine No. 3 from bond funding. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as recorded below:

Aye:

Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:

Councilmember Don Langston

Ellen Trout Zoo Lake Walking Trail - \$175,000

Councilmember Sarah Murray moved to approve the construction of the Ellen Trout Zoo Lake Walking Trail with bond funding. The motion died for a lack of second and subsequently was not approved.

Joyce Lane Street Reconstruction - \$865,000

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the Joyce Lane Street Reconstruction be completed with bond funding. Councilmember Rufus Duncan seconded the motion. A unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

Reconstruction of Fire Station No. 5 - \$1,000,000

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the reconstruction of Fire Station No. 5 be completed with bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote was recorded.

Brandon Park Renovations - \$180,000

Councilmember Victor Travis questioned if Staff felt that grant funding would be received for this project. City Manager Parker stated that there was no way to know if the grant funding would be received. Councilmember Travis then questioned what the renovations included. Parks and

Recreation Director Mike Akridge stated that new playground equipment would be installed; new signage and landscaping would be included as well as repairs to the basketball court and construction of a new pavilion. Councilmember Travis asked whether there would be any renovations to the building. Director Akridge stated that the building was currently in good shape.

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve the completion of the renovations at Brandon Park with bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:

Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:

Councilmember Don Langston

North Brentwood Drive Extension - \$720,000

Councilmember Don Langston moved to approve the extension of North Brentwood Drive through bond funding. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

Knight Avenue Drainage - \$120,000

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve the completion of the Knight Avenue Drainage project through bond funding. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:

Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:

Councilmember Don Langston

Municipal Court Building - \$800,000

Councilmember Lynn Torres stated that regardless of the avenue, whether a new building was constructed or an addition to City Hall was completed, a new Municipal Court facility was needed.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the construction of the Municipal Court Building through bond funding. Councilmember Don Langston stated that he felt that there were other means of funding; however, he would second the motion. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve the motion was recorded.

Champions Drive Reconditioning - \$210,000

Councilmember Don Langston moved to approve the reconditioning of Champions Drive through bond funding. Councilmember Rufus Duncan seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve the motion was recorded.

Skate Park - \$170,000

Councilmember Don Langston moved to deny the completion of the Skate Park through bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Don Langston
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan

Carriage Drive Reconditioning - \$450,000

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve the reconditioning of Carriage Drive through bond funding. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

Atkinson Drive - \$105,000

Councilmember Victor Travis moved to approve the Atkinson Drive project be completed through bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Don Langston

Moffett Road - \$310,000 (Bond Funding) \$35,000 (Fund 380)

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the completion of the Moffett Road project through bond funding. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion. And a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

Pershing Drive – \$330,000 (Bond Funding) \$185,000 (Fund 380)

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the completion of the Pershing Drive project through bond funding. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. The motion passed on a five (5) to two (2) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Don Langston

Third Street - \$115,000 (Bond Funding) \$70,000 (Fund 380)

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the completion of the Third Street project through bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray

Nay:
Councilmember Don Langston

Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Windsor Drive - \$110,000

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the completion of the Windsor Drive project through bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Don Langston

Jones Street - \$257,000 (Bond Funding) \$33,000 (Fund 380)

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the completion of the Jones Street project through bond funding. Councilmember Rufus Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Don Langston

Hill Street - \$180,000

Councilmember Victor Travis moved approve the completion of the Hill Street project through bond funding. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:
Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:
Councilmember Don Langston

Spence Street – \$330,000

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the completion of the Spence Street project through bond funding. Councilmember Rufus Duncan seconded the motion. A unanimous vote to approve the motion was recorded.

Tom Temple - \$220,000

Councilmember Rufus Duncan moved to approve the completion of the Tom Temple Boulevard project through bond funding. Councilmember Robert Shankle seconded the motion. The motion passed on a six (6) to one (1) vote as follows:

Aye:

Councilmember Rufus Duncan
Councilmember Robert Shankle
Councilmember Sarah Murray
Councilmember Victor Travis
Councilmember Lynn Torres
Mayor Bob Brown

Nay:

Councilmember Don Langston

Mayor Brown summarized the votes on the items and stated that the Zoo Commissary would be completed through the Zoo Building Fund and the Ellen Trout Walking Trail project and Skate Park were not approved to be completed. Mayor Brown then recognized the attendees present with Leadership Lufkin and asked them to introduce themselves.

Mayor Bob Brown recessed the Regular Session at 6:25 p.m.

12. **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 Bob Brown reconvened the Regular Session at 7:16 p.m.

13. **INCENTIVES FOR PROJECT 400 – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item was to consider approval of the incentives for Project 400.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the incentives for Project 400 as discussed in Executive Session. Councilmember Rufus Duncan seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

14. **APPOINTMENTS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS – APPROVED.**

Mayor Bob Brown stated that the next item was the consideration of appointments to the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the appointments of Constance Shepherd and Andrew Moore to the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote was recorded.

15. **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 Paul Parker highlighted upcoming meeting and events on the calendar.

16. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Bob F. Brown, Mayor


Kara Atwood, City Secretary