

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 21ST DAY OF JUNE, 2005**

On the 21st day of June 2005, 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:

Louis Bronaugh	Mayor
Rose Faine Boyd	Mayor pro tem
R. L. Kuykendall	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Lynn Torres	Councilmember, Ward No. 3
Don Langston	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Jack Gorden, Jr.	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Dennis Robertson	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Paul L. Parker	City Manager
Renee Thompson	City Secretary
Robert Flournoy	City Attorney
Keith Wright	City Engineer
Kenneth Williams	Public Works Director
David Koonce	Director of Human Resources
Larry Brazil	Police Chief
Pete Prewitt	Fire Chief
Scott Marcotte	Asst. Police Chief
Dorothy Wilson	Director of Planning
Don Hannabas	Parks & Leisure Services Director
Nellie Matthews	Civic Center Director
Drew Squyres	Utility Collections Director
Doug Wood	Accounting Director
Beauford Chapman	Inspection Services Director
Jim Wehmeier	Economic Development Director
Barbara Thompson	Main Street Director
Debra Cassidy	Waste Water Treatment Director
Jack Reggie	Solid Waste and Recycling Director
Sid Munlin	Information Technology Director
Rhonda McLendon	Animal Control Director
Gordon Henley	Ellen Trout Zoo Director
Billy Ratcliff	Fleet Maintenance Superintendent
Terry Boomer	Kurth Memorial Library Director
David Miles	Card-Miles Enterprises LLC
Wayne Stolz	Stolz Engineering & Associates, Inc.

being present, when the following business was transacted:

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Jeff Kolk, Cross Roads Baptist Church.
2. Mayor Louis Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 7, 2005 were approved on a motion by Councilmember Lynn Torres, and seconded by Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

OLD BUSINESS:

4. **SECOND READING OF THE REQUEST OF BARRION JOHNSON, ON BEHALF OF MAY B. FLOWERS, TO GRANT A "SPECIAL USE PERMIT" FOR A RESTAURANT WITH PRIVATE CLUB WITHIN A "CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONING DISTRICT" - APPROVED - ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 3, BLOCK 13, OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN SURVEY AND MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 113 NORTH FIRST STREET**

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of the request of Barrion Johnson, on behalf of May B. Flowers, to grant a "Special Use Permit" for a restaurant with private club within a "Central Business Zoning District" on property described as Lot 3, Block 13, of the City of Lufkin Survey and more commonly known as 113 North First Street. City Manager Paul Parker stated that this would be the Second Reading of this Zone Change Request and that he would answer any questions from Council.

Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd moved to approve on Second Reading the request of Barrion Johnson, on behalf of May B. Flowers, to grant a "Special Use Permit" for a restaurant with private

club within a "Central Business Zoning District" on property described as Lot 3, Block 13, of the City of Lufkin Survey and more commonly known as 113 North First Street. Councilmember Dennis Robertson seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. **SECOND READING OF THE REQUEST OF VAUGHN TURNER OF LUFKIN ARMATURE WORKS TO CHANGE THE ZONING FROM "MEDIUM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL" TO A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF "COMMERCIAL" - APPROVED - ON APPROXIMATELY .23 ACRES OF LAND DESCRIBED AS TRACT 53.1 OUT OF THE J. C. SUTTLE SURVEY AND MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 706 TRAYLOR STREET**

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of the request of Vaughn Turner of Lufkin Armature Works to change the zoning from "Medium Single-Family Residential" to a zoning classification of "Commercial" on approximately .23 acres of land described as Tract 53.1 out of the J. C. Suttle Survey and more commonly known as 706 Traylor Street. City Manager Paul Parker stated that this was also a Second Reading and had no additional comments but would again answer any questions from Council.

Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall moved to approve on Second Reading the request of Vaughn Turner of Lufkin Armature Works to change the zoning from "Medium Single-Family Residential" to a zoning classification of "Commercial" on approximately .23 acres of land described as Tract 53.1 out of the J. C. Suttle Survey and more commonly known as 706 Traylor Street. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. **SECOND READING OF THE REQUEST OF ROBERT A. MASSINGILL AND CARROLL E. JOHNSON FOR CHANGING THE ZONING ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES EXISTING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF ATKINSON DRIVE BETWEEN HEMLOCK ROAD AND TRENTON STREET - APPROVED - AND BEING APPROXIMATELY EIGHT ACRES OF LAND MORE COMMONLY DESCRIBED AS PARTS OF TRACT 60, 61, 70, AND 71 OF THE J. L. QUINALTY SURVEY FROM THE CURRENT CLASSIFICATION OF "MEDIUM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL" AND "LARGE SINGLE-RESIDENTIAL" TO THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF "COMMERCIAL"**

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of the request of Robert A. Massingill and Carroll E. Johnson for changing the zoning on certain properties existing on the South side of Atkinson Drive between Hemlock Road and Trenton Street and being approximately eight acres of land more commonly described as parts of Tract 60, 61, 70, and 71 of the J. L. Quinalty Survey from the current classification of "Medium Single-Family Residential" and "Large Single-Residential" to the zoning classification of "Commercial". City Manager Paul Parker again stated that this being the Second Request that there was nothing to add but would answer any questions from Council

Councilmember Jack Gorden moved to approve on Second Reading the request of Robert A. Massingill and Carroll E. Johnson for changing the zoning on certain properties existing on the South side of Atkinson Drive between Hemlock Road and Trenton Street and being approximately eight acres of land more commonly described as parts of Tract 60, 61, 70, and 71 of the J. L. Quinalty Survey from the current classification of "Medium Single-Family Residential" and "Large Single-Residential" to the zoning classification of "Commercial". Councilmember Dennis Robertson seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. **SECOND READING OF THE REQUEST OF CARD MILES ENTERPRISES, LLC - APPROVED - TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF 5.415 ACRES OF LAND DESCRIBED AS TRACTS 36.1 AND 36.3 OF THE ALLEN PROCTOR SURVEY AND LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF HARMONY HILL DRIVE AND TULANE DRIVE FROM "LARGE SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING" TO A "PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD)"**

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of the request of Card Miles Enterprises, LLC to change the zoning of 5.415 acres of land described as Tracts 36.1 and 36.3 of the Allen Proctor Survey and located on the Northeast corner of Harmony Hill Drive and Tulane Drive from "Large Single-Family Dwelling" to a "Planned Unit Development (PUD)". City Manager Paul Parker stated that there were no comments unless there were any questions from the Council.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to approve on Second Reading the request of Card Miles Enterprises, LLC to change the zoning of 5.415 acres of land described as Tracts 36.1 and 36.3 of the Allen Proctor Survey and located on the Northeast corner of Harmony Hill Drive and Tulane Drive from "Large Single-Family Dwelling" to a "Planned Unit Development (PUD)". Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. **SECOND READING THE ORDINANCE ADOPTING 252 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE - APPROVED - PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM AMOUNT BIDDING REQUIREMENTS; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the Second Reading of the Ordinance adopting 252 of the Local Government Code providing for minimum amount bidding requirements; repealing all inconsistent ordinances; and providing for an effective date. City Manager Paul Parker stated this was also a Second Reading and that he would answer any questions that Council might have.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve on Second Reading the Ordinance adopting 252 of the Local Government Code providing for minimum amount bidding requirements; repealing all inconsistent ordinances; and providing for an effective date. Councilmember Jack Gorden seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. PRESENTATION OF TREE CITY USA CERTIFICATION TO MAYOR LOUIS BRONAUGH AND CITY OF LUFKIN COUNCIL BY DON CAMPBELL, TEXAS FOREST SERVICE

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item would be a Presentation of Tree City USA Certification to Mayor Louis Bronaugh and City of Lufkin Council by Don Campbell, Texas Forest Service. City Manager Paul Parker stated Mr. Campbell was present in the audience to make the presentation.

Mr. Don Campbell, Texas Forest Service explained that he was there to present the City of Lufkin with the Fifteenth (15) Proclamation of the Tree City USA Certification. Mr. Campbell added that the Tree City USA is program sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters. Mr. Campbell stated that it's purpose is to provide direction, technical assistance, public attention, and national recognition for urban and community forestry programs. Mr. Campbell explained that to qualify for Tree City USA a town or city must meet four standards that are established by the National Arbor Day Foundation. Mr. Campbell added that these standards are the establishment of a Tree Board, the development and implementation of a Tree Care Ordinance, a Community Forestry Program, and an Official Arbor Day Observance and Proclamation. Mr. Campbell stated that this is Lufkin's fifteenth (15th) year of being a Tree City USA and that it has benefited the City in many ways. Mr. Campbell explained that it provides a framework for action and the development of a tree management program, it provides the community with education, develops relationships with State Forestry staff and other professionals, promotes a positive public image and public pride among the citizens who live in Lufkin.

Mr. Campbell then presented the Tree City USA flag to Mayor Louis Bronaugh and the Lufkin City Council

10. FIRST READING THE REQUEST OF CEDRIC AND LOLA BROOKS - APPROVED - ON BEHALF OF BILLIE JANE BOON TO CHANGE THE ZONING FROM "HEAVY MANUFACTURING" TO A "SMALL SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING" DISTRICT ON 2.28 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON SPENCE STREET AND DESCRIBED AS TRACTS 8, 9, & 10 OF THE A. BARELA SURVEY. THE REQUEST WILL ALSO ENCOMPASS AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY CHANGING THE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTIES FROM "COMMERCIAL" TO "LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL"

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the First Reading of the request of Cedric and Lola Brooks on behalf of Billie Jane Boon to change the Zoning from "Heavy Manufacturing" to a "Small Single-Family Dwelling" District on 2.28 acres of land located on Spence Street and described as Tracts 8, 9, & 10 of the A. Barela Survey. The request will also encompass amending the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the designation of the properties from "Commercial" to "Low Density Residential". City Manager Paul Parker stated this is a proposed Zone Change to permit the utilization of the property for "Single Family Residential Housing". City Manager Parker explained that the City of Lufkin Zoning Ordinance does not permit residential dwellings to be constructed in a "Heavy Manufacturing" Zoning District. City Manager Parker stated that the general character of this area is small residential housing with all adjacent property currently residential in nature. City Manager Parker added that the Zone Change is consistent with the regulations placed on surrounding properties that have been developed as single-family dwellings. City Manager Parker stated that the future land use plan indicates that the correct long-range development of this property is commercial. City Manager Parker explained that the Planning Department believes that the subject property just as easily fits into the "Low Density Residential" character of the abutting area to the south and west of the subject properties. City Manager Parker stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommended that the Future Land Use Plan be amended to change the designation of the property from "Commercial" to "Low Density Residential" and to change the Zoning from "Heavy Manufacturing" to a "Small Single Family District".

Councilmember Jack Gorden moved to approve on First Reading the request of Cedric and Lola Brooks on behalf of Billie Jane Boon to change the Zoning from "Heavy Manufacturing" to a "Small Single-Family Dwelling" District on 2.28 acres of land located on Spence Street and described as Tracts 8, 9, & 10 of the A. Barela Survey. The request will also encompass amending the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan by changing the designation of the properties from "Commercial"

to "Low Density Residential". Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. AWARDED THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT FOR THE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT - APPROVED - FOR THE US 59 UTILITY RELOCATION

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the awarding of the Engineering Contract for the Preliminary Engineering Report for the US 59 Utility Relocation. City Manager Paul Parker stated that due to the US Highway 59 Project, the City of Lufkin has to move the utilities in the area at an estimated cost of \$1.8 million to \$2 million dollars. City Manager Parker added that Staff originally sent out proposals for engineering firms to design this utility relocation project and received eight proposals. City Manager Parker explained that after going through a selection process, Staff recommended Claunch and Miller, Inc. to do the entire study. City Manager Parker stated that after getting into detailed negotiations, the City of Lufkin had looked at the prospect of moving the utilities within the TXDOT right-of-way or potentially going behind the property to take it out of the TXDOT right-of-way, so that if any future widening occurred the City would not be responsible for any utility relocation costs. City Manager Parker stated that the scope of this was so broad that the engineers could not produce a cost because of the unknowns. City Manager Parker stated that the City down scoped the analysis to allow a firm to do the preliminary analysis to determine where the utilities should be located and added that then the City would go out for proposals to design the utility relocation project. City Manager Parker added that after a lengthy selection process, Staff is recommending award of contract for preliminary engineering analysis to Claunch & Miller, Inc. in the amount of \$27,050.

Councilmember Lynn Torres commented that her understanding was this firm had experience working with a right-of-way before. City Manager Parker explained that one of the reasons this firm was chosen was because they had a lot of experience working with TXDOT in the Houston area.

Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd moved to award the Engineering Contract for the Preliminary Engineering Report for the US 59 Utility Relocation. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. AUTHORIZED THE LUFKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (S.A.F.E.R.) GRANT FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was to authorize the Lufkin Fire Department to apply for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (S.A.F.E.R.) Grant for additional personnel. City Manager Paul Parker stated that this is a grant that the City of Lufkin wants to apply for that has no guarantee it will be awarded. City Manager Parker explained that the grant is for staffing for adequate fire and emergency response. City Manager Parker added that this would allow the City to hire three (3) additional firemen, if approved. City Manager Parker explained that the Fire Department in 2004 approached the City Council in an attempt to address NFPA 1710, which basically sets a standard of a four-man engine company in lieu of our present three-man companies. City Manager Parker stated that the Council concurred to work towards funding four-man engine companies and authorized the hiring of three (3) new firefighter positions. City Manager Parker added that presently the Lufkin Fire Department has five stations, four of which house three personnel per shift and station one is manned with four firefighters per shift. City Manager Parker stated that in 2004, Council approved the first three (3) appointments to the additional twelve (12) needed and those three (3) appointments are stationed at First Station No. One. City Manager Parker added that Station No. One runs all of the rescue and ladder trucks. City Manager Parker stated that if the City of Lufkin is awarded a S.A.F.E.R. Grant, it would be for three (3) firefighter positions with funding provided at ninety percent (90%) the first year or approximately \$42,000; eighty percent (80%) the second year or approximately \$51,610; fifty percent (50%) the third year or approximately \$98,410; and thirty percent (30%) or approximately \$117,610 the fifth and final year of the Grant. City Manager Parker explained that this would help the City of Lufkin attain the staffing level of two in and two out or four individuals at each fire station. City Manager Parker added that Staff would be happy to answer any questions that Council had on this subject and stated that several years ago the City of Lufkin made the same requests for Police Grants that helped to enhance the Police Department. City Manager Parker added that the only negative was that this would be a reoccurring cost that the City of Lufkin will have each year but added that this would be a way to ease in to adding additional firemen that Council had indicated they desired.

Councilmember Jack Gorden asked if the numbers were cumulative. City Manager Parker stated that each year the amount the City would pay would go up until the City of Lufkin pays the entire cost. City Manager Parker added that the City would have to keep the grant for one additional year but in reality the City would be adding these employees for perpetual time.

Councilmember Don Langston asked for a review on how the City of Lufkin currently mans a fire. Fire Department Chief Pete Prewitt stated that the normal response for the City would be four stations to attempt to comply with the two in and two out rule. Chief Prewitt explained that this would include seven firemen from the Central Station and three from the outlying stations to give a sixteen (16) man minimum requirement on structural fires of all types. Chief Prewitt added that this is affected because

there are so often med units out on other runs. Chief Prewitt stated that the normal call volume varies between 8,000 to 9,000 responses per year and each response is a multi-station and multi-unit response. Chief Prewitt added that quite often the Captains are responding from the outlying stations around the City by themselves because their med crews are out and there are only three people at those stations.

Councilmember Don Langston asked if NFPA 1710 is a state law requirement. Chief Prewitt explained that 1710 is National Fire Protection Association recommendation, but the two in and two out rule is a state law that was passed a few years back which was Senate Bill 382. City Manager Parker stated that this rule is only when firemen have to go inside a structure. City Manager Parker explained that in order to go inside of a burning structure there have to be two men outside for two men to go inside. City Manager Parker added that there is a caveat that unless there is an emergency where the firemen know there is a human inside and then they may go inside with less than two in and two out. Chief Prewitt added that the Fire Department is able to use some discretion but don't deliberately put their firemen in dangerous situations that they feel is beyond a calculated risk. Councilmember Langston added that his understanding is that there is currently a shortage in filling the positions that are available to fill now.

Councilmember Langston stated that his concern was that the City is trying to adequately fill those positions and now would there really be a need for these additional positions. Councilmember Langston commented that the City is blessed, in this community, with our Fire Department to have a Class Four Rating with Insurance Companies, which means that we are doing a good job as far as ratings are concerned. Councilmember Langston added that he didn't think that the City is out of compliance by the way we are manning fires now. Chief Prewitt stated that the Fire Department has to struggle to remain in compliance and that there are times that they are borderline and sometime are not there depending on the availability of the med crews. Chief Prewitt added that this would be an excellent way to reduce the cost to the City while adding more positions to the Fire Department.

Councilmember Don Langston inquired how this would effect the actual manning at the Fire Stations for an additional person, if this was approved. Chief Prewitt explained that there is additional space to accommodate the additional personnel.

Councilmember Langston commented that he feels that the current shortage of personnel is the greatest hindrance in adequately staffing fires. Councilmember Langston expressed his concern of adding the burden unless there is a specific requirement or the City is creating a situation where firefighters are endangered. Chief Prewitt stated that the call volume is increased and added that a Lieutenant and firemen are out forty plus (40+) hours on med calls. Chief Prewitt stated that every time that happens the Station Captains are alone in their respective districts. Chief Prewitt added that by filling these extra slots and turn the three (3) man stations into four (4) man stations so that when the med crew is out the Captain will have a firefighter there with them to respond to the scene. Chief Prewitt explained that they are trying to increase the safety of the firefighters as well as the community.

There was some discussion of increasing the ISO Rating and future expansion of the Fire Department. Councilmember Lynn Torres asked about the application time for the grant and how long it would be before the City would know if they received the grant. Chief Prewitt explained that the grant must be in by June 28, 2005 and anticipates knowing by late summer or early fall if the City received the grant.

Councilmember Jack Gorden commented that after going through this process with the Police Department, by the time the City gets through the fifth (5th) year, there is a greater need for additional personnel and would like the City to go through with the grant application.

Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd asked Chief Prewitt if the City did not apply for the grant would he still try to hire these personnel. City Manager Parker stated that the City would not hire this personnel at this time without this grant because it was not budgeted at this time.

Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd moved to approve to authorize the Lufkin Fire Department to apply for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (S.A.F.E.R.) Grant for additional personnel. Councilmember Dennis Robertson seconded the motion. The following vote was recorded:

Aye: Council Members Boyd, Robertson, Gorden, Torres and Mayor Bronaugh

Nay: Council Members Kuykendall and Langston

The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

13. BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2006 14-16 YARD DUMP TRUCK - TABLED - AND A 2006 F250 ¾ TON PICKUP TRUCK 4X4 - APPROVED - FOR THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next items for consideration were the bids for the purchase of a 2006 14-16 yard Dump Truck and a 2006 F250 ¾ Ton Pickup Truck 4X4 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. City Manager Paul Parker stated that Staff wanted to withdraw the request for

purchase of the 2006 14-16 yard Dump Truck and explained that there were still questions concerning the specifications of the Dump Truck. City Manager Parker stated that Staff would like to go forward with the 2006 F250 ¾ ton Pickup Truck 4X4 with a crew cab and diesel engine. City Manager Parker explained that the reason for needing a 4X4 truck was that this would be the vehicle used when checking water lines in the rural areas. City Manager Parker added that the cost for this vehicle through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative or BuyBoard is \$25,954. City Manager Parker stated that Staff recommended the purchase of this truck and to table the purchase of the Dump Truck at this time.

Councilmember Don Langston asked if the City of Lufkin had a beneficial land site. City Engineer Keith Wright stated that the City of Lufkin has a beneficial land site at the McCurry property. Mr. Wright explained that the amount of sludge taken to the property depended on the conditions at the beneficial site and added that the remainder of the sludge was taken to the landfill.

Councilmember Jack Gorden asked if the City of Lufkin had more land could more sludge be deposited without having to take it to the landfill. City Engineer Keith Wright answered that we could take more sludge if there was more land available.

Councilmember Langston asked if the City was replacing two vehicles. City Manager Parker explained that the City is removing two vehicles from the fleet for this one 4X4 truck.

Councilmember Dennis Robertson asked about the status of the City composting waste materials. City Engineer Keith Wright stated that Staff is looking at an update of the study to decide which route to go. Councilmember Don Langston stated that the City would have to turn the compost into a "Class A Compost" which would mean the City would have to cook the compost with natural gas which is very expensive.

Councilmember Don Langston reiterated that he would like to see the City's vehicle replacement policy. City Manager Parker stated that Staff is working on developing a vehicle replacement policy and added that the gentleman that set up Tyler's system was in Lufkin that day to look at the City of Lufkin's system and he had been hired to develop a policy for the City of Lufkin. Councilmember Langston commented that he appreciated that the City of Lufkin is developing a Vehicle Replacement Policy.

Councilmember Jack Gorden asked if local vendors are aware of the process when the City of Lufkin uses the Buyboard. City Manager Parker stated that the City compares what could be bought locally using the Buyboard amount. Councilmember Gorden asked if the City receives a bid from the local vendors when purchasing from the Buyboard. City Manager Parker explained that the City does not get a bid from local vendors but often checks the prices of local vendors when purchasing from the Buyboard.

Councilmember Lynn Torres asked if it was hard for a local vendor to become a member of the Buyboard. City Manager Parker stated that they must bid through the State and was not sure of the requirements of becoming a member of the Buyboard but added that most local vendors do not become members. City Manager Parker stated that the maintenance on the vehicles would be done through local vendors.

Councilmember Don Langston moved to table the purchase of the 2006 F250 ¾ ton Pickup Truck until a Vehicle Replacement Policy has been formed by City Staff. Councilmember Dennis Robertson asked if this purchase was postponed would it affect the work of City Staff. Waste Water Treatment Director Debra Cassidy stated that because the Department is currently operating in dry weather, they are okay. Councilmember Lynn Torres asked if the Council approved the purchase, how long it would be before the vehicle would be delivered. City Engineer Keith Wright stated that it would be sixty (60) to ninety (90) days before delivery. Councilmember Torres pointed out that if the vehicle was approved that night that the City could be experiencing bad weather by the time the vehicle was delivered. Councilmember Torres asked the amount of time it would take Staff to develop a "Vehicle Replacement Policy". Human Resource Director David Koonce answered that it would take approximately one month to develop a policy. Mayor Bronaugh pointed out that Staff is working on development a "Vehicle Replacement Policy" and didn't think it would be in the best interest of the City to stop progress to wait on the policy. Councilmember Langston added that he had been asking for this policy from the Staff for three (3) but had no lack of confidence in the City Staff but felt the City needs guidelines to purchase and retire equipment. Councilmember Dennis Robertson seconded the motion. The following vote was recorded:

Aye: Council Members Langston, Robertson and Kuykendall

Nay: Council Members Torres, Boyd, Gorden and Mayor Bronaugh

The motion failed with three affirmative votes to four negative votes.

Mayor Bronaugh then asked if there were any other motions on this subject. Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to table the purchase of the 2006 14-16 yard Dump Truck and to purchase the 2006

F250 ¾ ton Pickup Truck 4X4. Councilmember Jack Gorden seconded the motion. The following vote was recorded:

Aye: Council Members Torres, Gorden, Boyd, Kuykendall and Mayor Louis Bronaugh

Nay: Council Members Langston and Robertson.

The motion carried with five affirmative votes.

City Manager Parker reiterated that Staff would go forward with the development of a "Vehicle Replacement Policy" and would bring it back to Council for approval.

14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2004/2005 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 19), - APPROVED - PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was to adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2004/2005 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 19), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date. City Manager Paul Parker stated as Council was aware, there was a bathhouse at Jones Park Pool that had to be demolished and that this had taken place. City Manager Parker pointed out that at the Public Hearing that took place concerning Jones Park there had been some discussion concerning the pool versus a "Sprayplay" in the park. City Manager Parker explained that the pool was open for the 2006 summer season and that several suggestions were made at the public hearing for potential improvements to Jones Park. City Manager Parker stated that these recommendations included developing a spray/play pad, replacing the pool house, bringing back the old recreation building concept, constructing concession stands, developing a walking trail behind the lake, adding more park lighting, having park security and building a fishing pier. City Manager Parker added that obviously, it is beyond the scope of the existing City budget to include all of these improvements but that Staff desires to conduct an analysis of Jones Park operations and recommend to the Council improvements to enhance Jones Park.

City Manager Parker stated that Staff is recommending the City Council authorize \$85,000 for improvements to Jones Park and that after a detailed analysis of park operations and summer usage, the Staff would bring Council a specific recommendation for expenditure of these funds. Councilmember Lynn Torres commented that when Council decides how to use these funds that the Parks Board be consulted and host more Public Meetings concerning the use of these funds. Councilmember Torres added that Council should be cognizant of what the community wants but keeping in mind the long range plan for the parks.

Councilmember Dennis Robertson moved to approve adopting a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2004/2005 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 19), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date. Councilmember Don Langston seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2004/2005 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 20), - APPROVED - PROVIDING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was to adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2004/2005 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 20), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date. City Manager Paul Parker stated this is a companion to the item that was just considered. City Manager Parker added that when the pool house was demolished, sidewalks had to be constructed to have the pool open by Memorial Day weekend. City Manager Parker stated that the sidewalk between the pool and restroom/pavilion was installed at a cost of \$6,700 and requested that Council approve amending the budget in the Parks Department to approve the \$6700 expenditure.

Councilmember Don Langston asked if there was room in the Parks Department budget to absorb the \$6700 expenditure. Parks and Leisure Services Director Don Hannabas stated that there was no money in the budget to absorb this expenditure.

Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd moved to approve adopting a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2004/2005 Operating Budget (Budget Amendment No. 20), providing for the supplemental appropriation of funds in the General Fund; and providing an effective date. Councilmember R. L. Kuykendall seconded the motion. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

16. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a report from Paul Parker, City Manager. City Manager Parker pointed out that Staff would go over the Financial Report thoroughly

during the Budget Workshop and also pointed out that Council had the Project Status Report. City Manager Parker stated that unless Council had any questions he would not go through all of the projects at this time.

17. CITY OF LUFKIN BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mayor Louis Bronaugh stated that the next item would be the Budget Workshop. City Manager Paul Parker stated that he would go through the budget in general terms and explained that there were detailed worksheets in case Council had any specific questions concerning any item. City Manager Parker also explained that he had handed out the budget preparation information and explained that this was the preliminary budget and that the draft would be ready on August 2, 2005 for the first Public Hearing, August 16, 2005 for the First Reading and September 6, 2005 for the Second Reading. City Manager Parker added that this would in no way be the last opportunity for Council to amend or ask specific questions concerning the budget. City Manager Parker added that Staff would host additional workshops until the needs of Council were satisfied.

City Manager Parker stated that as he highlighted the major changes in the budget he would stop and answer any questions that Council might have on any department's budget. City Manager Parker explained that Council had before them the City Manager's Executive Summary and added that he would talk from that summary and not the worksheets.

City Manager Parker stated that he would hit the highlights of the overall budget and then review the financials and major projects. City Manager Parker explained that included in this year's budget would be some expenses that had increased during the year such as gasoline and diesel. City Manager Parker added that Staff anticipates Sales Tax to increase by three and one half percent (3.5%) next year. City Manager Parker added that this year a two and one half percent (2.5%) increase was budgeted and were averaging nine point nine percent (9.9%) for this calendar year. City Manager Parker pointed out that even though next years figures were a little more aggressive they are still somewhat conservative from that standpoint.

City Manager Parker added that the City does not have the figures from the Appraisal District yet, but are anticipating this budget built on a two percent (2%) growth in advalorem taxes. City Manager Parker added that this was also very conservative but believes that by the time the final budget draft is prepared that the City will have good numbers. City Manager Parker stated that Staff anticipates ending 2004/2005 Budget Year at \$7,976,741 and projects next year's budget at \$7,756,621 which will leave a Fund Balance of \$5,948,854 based on existing Fund Balances. City Manager Parker added that is approximately \$1.8 million above the twenty five percent (25%) reserve requirement.

City Manager Parker stated that included in this year's budget is a three percent (3%) cost of living raise for City employees and have included a three percent (3%) increase in firemen's retirement contributions. City Manager Parker added that this would bring the firemen to the same contribution rate for retirement as other City employees.

City Manager Parker stated that Staff believes that they have brought to Council a very good budget and added that there are no increase in water rates. City Manager Parker pointed out that Council had previously approved a sewer rate increase and that this would be the fourth (4th) year of a five year increase in sewer rates. City Manager Parker explained that the rate would increase for residential customers from \$2.72 per thousand to \$2.98 per thousand and that commercial rates would increase from \$3.00 per thousand to \$3.30 per thousand. City Manager Parker added that there are several factors in industrial rates but will balance out to approximately six point two five percent (6.25%) increase. City Manager Parker stated that there are no proposed increase in the sanitation or solid waste rates at this time.

City Manager Parker stated that Staff is recommending four positions be added this year. City Manager Parker explained that one of these positions would be a janitorial position in the General Fund and would offset an existing janitorial contract and would be an approximate savings of \$10,000. City Manager Parker stated that the next position would be in the Waste Water Treatment Plant and would be a position to do preventative maintenance. City Manager Parker explained that this position had been cut several years ago and as the plant ages the need is greater for this position. City Manager Parker stated that the third position would be a journeyman electrician to help with the City's master electrician and improvements in Water/Waste Water as well as throughout the City. City Manager Parker added that the City spends approximately \$50,000 to \$80,000 per year for electricians doing various work for the City and Staff believes this would be a savings for this "on-call" electrical services being done for the City. City Manager Parker stated that the fourth position would be in the Solid Waste area to add an individual to assist in promoting and selling recycling services as well as doing inspections of the containers to eliminate contamination of recycled materials.

City Manager Parker then went through the entire budget. City Manager Parker explained that the City began the current budget year with a fund balance of \$2,434,088 and the total revenue and transfers were \$22,416,322 and the total expenditures were \$22,873,669. City Manager Parker added that the bottom line was that Staff originally thought that the City would be approximately \$650,000 of revenues under expenditures. City Manager Parker stated that this number had already been enhanced by approximately \$200,000 this year from increased revenues and that this amount was assuming that

all money left budgeted in department would be spent and that sales tax would remain at a two percent (2%) growth. City Manager Parker explained that this number should drop closer to an even number that would be \$650,000 better than what was anticipated when this budget year began.

City Manager Parker stated that it is too early to tell if the City would end up with a balanced budget this year without using any reserves but expects to be very close at the end of the budget year.

City Manager Parker stated that based on these estimates less the Economic Development money anticipated next year less expenditures the budget for next year would be \$220,120 of revenue under expenditures. City Manager Parker explained that this was assuming that every dollar that is budgeted is approved is spent. City Manager Parker added that any vacancies in personnel would make up most of the money and that he feels very confident the City of Lufkin would have a balanced budget and would be in the black when the budget year is ended. City Manager Parker explained that the City Staff is very conservative with their figures when budgeting.

City Manager Parker stated that the Reserve Policy for the City of Lufkin \$5,948,854 and explained that the City has funds above that reserve of \$1,807,767 even with the conservative estimations.

City Manager Parker then went through a more detailed breakdown of all of the revenue estimates, projections and financing sources. Councilmember Dennis Robertson asked about the admission to the Ellen Trout Zoo going to the General Fund. Councilmember Robertson explained that his concern was that the admissions were set aside for the Zoo Building Fund and if a zoo building project needed funds, would the City look at taking funds from the General Fund to help fund the expense. Councilmember Robertson added that perhaps there should be fund balance set aside in the Zoo Building Fund to satisfy those projects and things needed at the Zoo.

City Manager Parker explained that according to the Zoo Master Plan the next project would be an educational building and added that there are preliminary designs for this project. City Manager Parker explained that even though there is a healthy Building Fund the plan is not to use all of the funds for this project. City Manager Parker explained that Council could always put money back into the Zoo Funds if they so desired. Councilmember Robertson explained that his opinion is that each department may generate funds and these funds may either stay in that department or come back into the General Fund for reallocation as long as the funds are reallocated based on need. City Manager Parker explained that this is how the City handles these funds now. Councilmember Rose Faine Boyd asked if when the fees for admission were raised at the Zoo, a portion of these fees was allocated for the Zoo Building Fund. Ellen Trout Zoo Director Gordon Henley explained that when the fees were originally raised the Zoo was able to complete almost \$2 million dollars worth of improvements. Mr. Henley added that the Master Plan would be able to move forward faster with the extra dollar in the fund. Mr. Henley explained that after six (6) months of the money going into the Building Fund the City went into an economic downfall and was informed by the previous City Manager that \$1 of the fee to offset things during the crisis and that it would be reviewed on an annual basis and a need basis. Mr. Henley added that during this year's budget preparation he had not put any funds into the General Fund after visiting with the current City Manager as he understood that it would not be necessary. Mr. Henley explained that during the implementation of the Master Plan he had not come to City Council to ask for money to build anything but had come to Council with money in hand for blessings to build what was needed. Mr. Henley added that City Staff had provided some of the needed labor during the past such as Engineering, Public Works and the Parks Department but had always paid for the needed materials. Mr. Henley explained that \$103,000 was budgeted for projects in the Zoo Building Fund this year. City Manager Parker explained that out of approximately \$180,000 revenue approximately \$120,000 goes to the Zoo Building Fund and approximately \$60,000 goes to the General Fund. City Manager Parker added that out of the \$120,000 the Zoo Building Fund pays for some of the needed maintenance. City Manager Parker stated that if all stays the same the City would use approximately \$103,000 and the rest would go into the Fund Balance of the Zoo Building Fund.

City Manager Parker explained that in the City of Lufkin all revenue earned by a department does not necessarily go directly back in to that department. City Manager Parker added that this budget reflects the general direction given by Council during the Planning Retreat that was held earlier in the year. Councilmember Dennis Robertson added that the Zoo is an important tourist attraction in Lufkin and that the City needs to make sure that the Zoo is kept as the first class status that it is now and if the Zoo was in need of funds to support an upcoming project that Council would keep in mind the money the Zoo has put back into the General Fund.

City Manager Parker then went through the expenditure portion of the 2005/2006 Budget. City Manager Parker explained that the General Government was the money for Council expenditures and those of the City Secretary's office. City Manager Parker explained that this was a status quo budget and the minor changes were due to salary changes. City Manager Parker added that the City Manager's budget was also basically status quo and the had a slight decrease.

City Manager Parker stated that the Finance Department had a slight increase. City Manager Parker added that \$9,000 of that would be the Hotel/Motel audit. City Manager Parker stated that the Legal Department would remain status quo and the Tax Department increased last year because after the

Council approved the budget the City received the Tax Assessor's budget request and was affected by approximately \$20,000.

City Manager Parker stated that Human Resource Department had a few minor changes from last year and that some of it was salary but this was the first year that Human Resources fully budgeted the City Banquet. City Manager Parker explained that this expense had been previously split between two budget years and would include a picnic this year.

City Manager Parker explained that the Municipal Building Budget decreased some due to the Council approving the renovations this year. City Manager Parker explained that in the Information Technology Budget, most of the expense was the additional software maintenance agreements that the City had to pick up and a supplies increase of \$5,000 and increase in maintenance of \$13,243 due to the need of a backup tape drive for the AS400 and increased server space, and there was an increase miscellaneous services by approximately \$6,235 for increased cost of upgrades, equipment rental and installation of the cable management system, etc. City Manager Parker stated that a majority of the software renewal license have been consolidated into this one department over the last two (2) to three (3) years.

City Manager Parker stated that the Purchasing Department was incorporated into the Human Resource Department. City Manager Parker explained that the Municipal Court Budget increased slightly and the Police Department had a small increase due to there being two new units. City Manager Parker stated that this would include acquiring twenty two new tough book laptop units for the vehicles and they would be purchased through the lease purchase plan. City Manager Parker added that again Staff would recommend lease purchasing from ourselves by funding this through the Solid Waste Fund. City Manager Parker added that \$35,000 would be paid through the Forfeiture Fund if allowed by Council. City Manager added that the supplies budget jumped also due to the increase in the cost of motor fuel.

Police Chief Larry Brazil then explained the need for new laptops and digital recording capabilities for each unit. Chief Brazil then explained how the tapes would then go directly into the City's AS400 system. City Manager Parker explained that the new digital recording system would begin recording before they are turned on. Councilmember Langston asked if the digital recording system was a wireless system. Councilmember Langston added that this system appears to be a cost saving to the City by saving man hours doing manual reports. Chief Brazil added that the City of Lufkin is probably ten (10) years ahead of other Police Departments in our area.

City Manager Parker stated that the next department would be the Fire Department and noted that some of the increases were the transfer of the new fire truck to this year's budget and an increase in maintenance and repairs for \$21,750 for all stations and buildings. City Manager Parker added that also in this budget was a new ambulance for the Fire Department and the purchase of a defibrillator for the new ambulance. City Manager Parker explained that an eleven (11) to fourteen (14) percent increase for the firemen's retirement fund is also included in this budget.

City Manager Parker stated that in the Inspection's Department Budget is a status quo budget and the Animal Control increases are basically in the salary and supplies categories. City Manager Parker added that in the Parks and Recreation Department Budget there is probably the largest increase in any of the departments in the City. City Manager Parker added that a lot of money was added for parks maintenance and improvements and includes the cost to repair the bridge in Kiwanis Park and repairs to Herty Park and completion of the concession area at Kit McConnico Park. City Manager Parker added that there was also money allocated for tennis court resurfacing, for play equipment for a park yet to be determined and for two (2) tractors, one one-half (1/2) ton pickup and replacement of the roof at the Park Administration Building. City Manager Parker stated that the largest increase in budgets this year would be in the Parks Department.

City Manager Parker stated that in the Ellen Trout Zoo Budget most of the increase was due to an increase in salaries, increased freight cost, animal food supplies and a zero turn lawnmower. City Manager Parker stated that on the Kurth Memorial Library's Budget the largest percentage of the increase was due to technology and added that the City had a grant previously and that the City would have to pick up this money previously funded by the grant for the book tracking technology. Kurth Memorial Library Director Terry Boomer then explained what the book tracking technology would do. Ms. Boomer explained that the technology would track the book inventory, microfilm, audio books, the number of patrons that use the library, patron's records, number of books checked out during a given day, and the number of fines owed on a given day. Ms. Boomer explained that this had previously been paid by a grant but this would be the first year the City of Lufkin would have to pick up the expense.

There was some discussion about the increasing cost of technology and the amount of increase that had taken place in the Information Technology Department over the last few years.

City Manager Parker explained that increases in Main Street and Planning are due to there being vacant positions last year and now the positions had been hired. City Manager Parker explained that other than the hiring of these vacant positions both of these departments are status quo budgets.

City Manager Parker stated that Public Works would be changed from the General Fund to the Solid Waste Fund if Council approves the move. City Manager Parker stated that Engineering's increase is due to an overtime increase, a maintenance increase, and the purchase of a new truck.

City Manager Parker stated that the Street Department's budget is status quo but will include the purchase of two trucks and drainage improvements. City Manager Parker explained that the Fleet Maintenance Budget is also status quo.

City Manager Parker explained that Non-departmental is where the liability and unemployment insurance are paid.

City Manager Parker added that total revenues are expected to be under the expenditures by \$220,120 but that he expects that this a very conservative estimate and expects this to be a very positive budget.

City Manager Parker then highlighted some of the other funds in the 2005/2006 Budget. City Manager Parker moved to the Hotel/Motel Fund and noted that there would be a transfer to this fund to fully fund all of the requests of the outside entities. City Manager Parker stated that Staff requests to fund the amounts that each entity had received from this year's budget but would include no increases.

Councilmember Don Langston commented that the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund was originally set up to fund the Civic Center and asked if there was any history of why other entities began being funded from these taxes. Councilmember Langston asked if Council needed to revisit the policy of funding these entities in the future and added that his concern was that the City is not adequately funding the Civic Center. City Manager Parker added that several years ago the City paid the debt service for the Civic Center out of the hotel/motel taxes but could no longer retire the Civic Center's debt due to the funding of these other entities. There was some discussion of the total revenue of the Hotel/Motel Fund being adequate to fund the Civic Center but would not be able to fund the other entities. City Manager Parker explained that there is nothing that requires Council to fund any of the entities. City Manager Parker added that Council would need to consider to at least fund some portion of Tourist and Convention due to the promotion of the community.

City Manager Parker stated that the next Fund would be the Special Recreation Fund and explained that it is basically a "wash" fund and was funds brought in from classes, sports, etc. and is paid out for expenses for these events. City Manager Parker explained that occasionally this fund builds and that last year a couple pieces of equipment was purchased using this fund. City Manager Parker added that this fund fluctuates based on the number of activities.

City Manager Parker stated that the next Fund was the Zoo Building Fund. City Manager Parker added that the ending balance in this fund for the 2004/2005 Budget Year was \$1,116,511 with revenue being \$160,000 and a total revenue of \$1,276, 511 and an expense of \$103,700 and will leave the Zoo Building Fund with \$1,172,811 at the end of the year.

City Manager Parker stated that the next fund is the Court Security and Technology Fund and noted that this fund is generated by an added cost of \$3 on each ticket for security and \$4 for technical support. City Manager Parker added that the primary thing funded from this money is a part-time warrant officer.

City Manager Parker stated that the next item would be the Animal Control Kurth Grant and added that this grant is to be used for animal control in Lufkin and Angelina County and non-salaried positions.

City Manager Parker added that there is also an Animal Attic Fund and added that there used to be a gift shop in the Animal Control Department and noted that there are plans to purchase equipment from this fund. City Manager Parker noted that even though the City no longer has a gift shop, there will still be a revenue increase from the donations made to the department.

City Manager Parker stated that the next budget would be the Economic Development Budget and stated that this was originally set up with a line item for land and incentives and added that a reserve of \$1.2 million would be built if the funds are not spent. Councilmember Dennis Robertson commented that he would like both land acquisitions and incentives separated and noted that the 4-B Board should be anticipating how they would like to allocate this tax money.

City Manager Parker stated that the next budget would be the General Debt Service Fund and noted that this is basically what is owed on bonds issued in the past.

City Manager Parker stated that the next fund would be Water and Sewer Operating Fund. City Manager Parker added that these figures were based on very conservative amounts. City Manager Parker noted that these figures were based on previously extremely wet years and so far this year it had been extremely dry. City Manager Parker added that the revenues should exceed what is projected if the year continues to remain dry. City Manager Parker stated that Utility Collections increase in the budget is due to an increase in salaries, three credit card terminals, improvement in the office area and supplies and operating expenses. City Manager Parker added that the Water Utilities area is up approximately nine point six seven percent (9.67%) and noted that the largest increase is for GIS mapping and aerials, rising fuel costs, and repair of concrete. City Manager Parker stated that the

Sewer Department is basically a status quo budget. There was some discussion of the Depreciation Fund.

City Manager Parker then discussed the Water and Wastewater Treatment Program. There was some discussion of the radio read meter program replacement. There was also discussion of the cost savings to the City and City Manager Parker explained that this would improve when the City would be able to have entire routes.

City Manager Parker then discussed the Solid Waste Fund and added that this area would be a little unusual due to the transfer and utilization of funds currently in this account to fund a new Service Center. City Manager Parker added that this was originally set up in the Capital Improvement Program but was deleted to complete the Whitehouse Street Project. City Manager Parker added that the Public Works Administration had been moved to the Solid Waste Fund and noted that scales would be purchased for the Recycling Center. City Manager Parker added that there are plans to purchase 96 gallon carts for residential collection.

City Manager Parker then stated that Staff was ready to answer any questions that Council had regarding this budget.

Councilmember Don Langston asked if the possibility of building a new fire station is included in this budget. City Manager Parker stated that this amount was not included but is suggesting that a design for the fire station and a cost estimate be brought back to Council before the budget year is over. There was some discussion of the new ladder truck and the fact that there is not a fire station that could accommodate this new truck. Councilmember Don Langston asked for the history of why the new fire station is currently being planned for that particular area of the City.

Councilmember Don Langston asked about what is being spent on outside electrical contracting and reiterated how much is being spent on Information Technology and commented that it is a dilemma what most businesses are spending in this area. City Manager Parker explained that the City could provide more information on this area in the future. Councilmember Langston also commented that he would like to see the City develop and Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Policy.

Councilmember Dennis Robertson commented that six departments have memberships with the Chamber of Commerce. City Manager Parker explained that a few years ago, during a membership drive the City encouraged departments to join the Chamber. There was some discussion concerning the need for this many separate memberships.

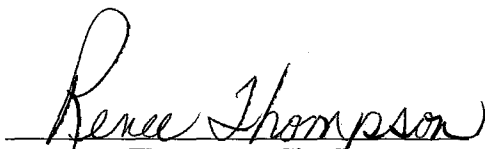
Councilmember Don Langston asked what the General Fund Expenditure Capital Outlay was. City Manager Parker explained that this is the summation of all of the capital outlay from all of the departments.

18. Mayor Louis Bronaugh recessed the Regular Session at 7:37 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 and personnel may be discussed.

Mayor Louis Bronaugh reconvened the Regular Session at 8:09 p.m.

19. Public Works Director Kenneth Williams announced that he would be staying on with the City of Lufkin.
20. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.


Renee Thompson – City Secretary


Louis A. Bronaugh – Mayor