



MINUTES CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

August 15, 2024 | 6:35 PM

Council Chambers

City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Dusty Kuykendall
Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Fisher
Councilmember Chris Bierman
Councilmember Brian Stubblefield
Councilmember Neil Peterson
Councilmember Phil Lawrence

City Staff Present:

City Manager John Whitsell
City Secretary Toshia Kimball
Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn
Finance Director Liz Exum
Chief Ted Stephens
Deputy Nick Noel

City Councilmembers Absent:

Councilmember Tim Johnson

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm.

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input

Mayor Kuykendall read an email into the record from Misty Gueller, Saddlebrook Estates subdivision who provided kudos to city staff.

Wayne Milsap, 318 McMillan, Lucas, Texas 75002 provided his opinion on the road conditions.

Community Interest

2. Items of Community Interest

Mayor Kuykendall gave items of community interest including:

- Lucas Farmers Market – Lovejoy Art Sale
- TXDOT Virtual Public Hearing

Consent Agenda

3. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the August 1, 2024, City Council meeting.
- B. Authorize the City Manager to execute bank depository agreement with The American National Bank of Texas for a three-year period beginning September 1 – 2024 – August 31, 2027, with the option for two (2) one-year extensions under the same terms.
- C. Approval of Resolution R-2024-08-00558 adopting the City of Lucas Public Funds Investment Policy.

- D. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with JTG Engineering, PLLC, in the amount not to exceed \$78,000 for General Engineering Services funded in account 11-6209-309 (Professional Services) for a one-year period beginning October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.
- E. Authorize the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lucas and Collin County for animal shelter services for a one-year period beginning October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$14,970.
- F. Authorize the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lucas and Collin County for animal control services for a period of one-year beginning October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$19,030.
- G. Authorize the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between City of Lucas and the Texas Municipal League Joint Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Self-Insurance Fund for the purpose of providing coverages against cyber risk.

Councilmember Lawrence requested to pull Consent Agenda Item B as a separate item.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Peterson, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence, to approve Consent Agenda items A, C, D, E, F, G as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Councilmember Peterson to approve Consent Agenda Item B as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

Public Hearing

- 4. Consider the City of Lucas Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025:
 - A. Discuss proposed budget.
 - B. Conduct Public Hearing.
 - C. Schedule the date for adopting an ordinance approving Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget for Monday August 26, 2024 (Special Meeting), at 3:05 pm or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention and EMS District meeting to be held at 3:00 pm.

Finance Director Liz Exum presented this item.

Mayor Kuykendall opened the public hearing at 6:51p.m.

There were no members of the public requesting to speak.

Mayor Kuykendall closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Stubblefield to set the date to adopt an ordinance approving FY 2024-2025 budget for Monday August 26, 2024 (Special Meeting), at 3:05 pm or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention and EMS District meeting to be held at 3:00 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

5. Consider the proposed City of Lucas Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2024-2025:
- A. Discuss tax rate and take record vote for publication in the Allen American Newspaper.
 - B. Schedule public hearing for tax rate for Monday August 26, 2024 (Special Meeting), at 3:05 pm, or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention and EMS District meeting to be held at 3:00 pm.

Finance Director Liz Exum presented this item on the following property tax options:

1. **No-New-Revenue Tax Rate** - \$.239051 (\$.184805 M&O and \$.054246 Debt)

The No-New-Revenue tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the City of Lucas from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

2. **Voter-Approval Tax Rate** - \$.236910 (\$.182664 M&O and \$.054246 Debt)

The Voter-Approval tax rate is the sum of the M&O tax rate plus a 3.5 percent increase, unused increment rate, and debt rate.

3. **De Minimis Tax Rate** - \$.250897 (\$.196651 M&O and \$.054246 Debt)

The De Minimis tax rate is the calculation used to give smaller taxing units (with a population of less than 30,000) some flexibility to adopt a tax rate that generates more property tax revenue than the previous year.

Ms. Exum explained that City Council will need to vote on a property tax rate option which will be published and advertised as the proposed tax rate, following tax notice requirements in the Allen American newspaper.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher, to approve Option #1 to be published in the Allen American Newspaper, a proposed tax rate of .239051 percent, which is the No New Revenue tax rate for the 2024 tax year, and to set the public hearing date regarding the City of Lucas Fiscal Year 2024 2025 tax rate for Monday, August 26, 2024 (Special Meeting), at 3:05 pm or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention and EMS District meeting to be held at 3:00 pm. The following record vote was taken:

Councilmember Peterson	Aye
Councilmember Stubblefield	Aye
Councilmember Bierman	Aye

Mayor Kuykendall	Opposed
Mayor Pro Tem Fisher	Aye
Councilmember Johnson	Aye
Councilmember Lawrence	Aye

The motion passed by a 5 to 1 vote. Mayor Kuykendall is opposed.

6. **Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with JTG Engineering to assist the city with the Reid Branch Letter of Map Revision (LOMAR) in the amount of \$49,500 from account 11-6209-309.**

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Peterson, seconded by Mayor Kuykendall to approve authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with JTG Engineering to assist the City with the Reid Branch Letter of Map revision (LOMAR) in the amount of \$49,500 from account 11-6209-309.

The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

Executive Session

7. **Executive Session:**

The City Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074(a)1) of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters, to interview applicants and deliberate appointment of members to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Adjustments.

Mayor Kuykendall convened into Executive Session at 7:23 pm.

8. **Reconvene from Executive Session and take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.**

Mayor Kuykendall reconvened from Executive Session at 8:02 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Fisher made a motion:

Planning and Zoning Commission:

Sean Alwardt – Commissioner

John Awezec – Alternate Commissioner 1

Brian Dale – Alternate Commissioner 2

Board of Adjustment:

Sean Watts – Member

Rebecca Orr – Member

Helene Langer – Alternate Member 2

Paula Walker – Alternate Member 1

Councilmember Lawrence seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously by 7 to 0 vote.

9. Adjournment.

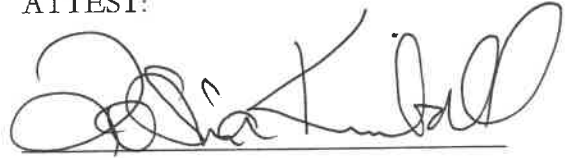
MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Councilmember Bierman, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:



Mayor Dusty Kuykendall



Toshia Kimball, City Secretary

