

City of Lucas City Council Meeting March 16, 2017 7:00 P.M.

City Hall - 665 Country Club Road – Lucas Texas Minutes

Call to Order

Mayor Olk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Jim Olk

Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele

Councilmember Wayne Millsap

Councilmember Tim Baney

Councilmember Steve Duke

Councilmember Philip Lawrence

Councilmember Debbie Fisher

Staff Present:

City Manager Joni Clarke

City Attorney Joe Gorfida

City Secretary Stacy Henderson

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn

Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster

Finance Director Liz Exum

Executive Assistant/Special Projects Coordinator Cathey Bonczar

Mayor Olk determined that a quorum was present. Everyone was reminded to turn off or silence their cell phones and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input.

There was no citizen input.

Community Interest

2. Community Interest Items.

Discuss pending legislation that is being considered by the 85th Legislature and provide guidance to City Staff and City Attorney.

Councilmember Fisher stated that she along with Councilmember Duke and other citizens of Lucas went to Austin, Texas to testify at the State Legislature in favor of Senate Bill 2 which would lower the rollback rate from eight percent to four percent and require a mandatory rollback election for city's that choose to adopt a tax rate that exceeds the four percent.

City Manager Joni Clarke and Fire Chief Ted Stephens discussed the new communication tool being used by the City of Lucas through Nixle Communications to notify residents via their phone or email of emergencies and notices sent by the City of Lucas. Various ways in which citizens could register their phones and electronic devices was discussed.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of the minutes of the March 2, 2017 City Council meeting.
- 4. Approval of the City of Lucas Investment Report for quarter ending December 31, 2016.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to approve the Consent Agenda and the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Public Hearing

Continuation of a public hearing to consider the 2017 Comprehensive Plan for the City
of Lucas including the Sewer Master Plan Map, Water System Map, Thoroughfare
Plan Map, and Land Use Map.

Mayor Olk opened the public hearing at 7:09 pm and called the following individuals forward that requested to speak.

Brenda Rizos, 1200 Winningkoff, spoke in favor of Agenda Item No. 8 and keeping Barnes Waste Disposal as the City's trash service provider. She also discussed proposed updates to the Comprehensive Plan and that she was in favor of maintaining the four properties along Estates Parkway as a residential designation not Village Center.

Michael Churchill, 1125 Brockdale Park, spoke in opposition to changing the designation of the four residential lots along Estates Parkway from residential to Village Center and the potential for increased traffic in the area.

Christine Churchill, 1125 Brockdale Park, also spoke in opposition of changing the designation of the four residential lots along Estates Parkway from residential to Village Center zoning.

Rebecca Mark, 2550 Estates Parkway, spoke in favor of changing the designation to Village Center zoning for the four lots along Estates Parkway, discussing the thoroughfare plan, sewer plan, and surrounding land uses that would be complimentary to Village Center zoning. Ms. Mark also read into the record an email from realtor Hank Wright with SRS Real Estate Partners discussing the best use of the four residential properties along Estates Parkway as being commercial.

Darrin Williams, 1407 Sweetgum, Allen, Texas stated he was a local realtor and expressed his opinion that the best long term use for the property was commercial use such as office or retail.

Councilmember Fisher noted that she received an email from Tom Redman, 1930 Mary Lee Lane, noting his support for the land use designation to remain as residential for the four lots along Estates Parkway, and that he was in favor of maintaining Barnes Waste Disposal as the City's waste disposal provider.

Mayor Olk closed the public hearing at 7:27 pm.

The City Council had general discussion relating to possible sewer changes to the sewer master plan map should properties be zoned commercial and the possible effect it could have with NTMWD.

The Council also discussed various comments received from citizens that were not in support of creating additional commercial zoning in the city.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Baney to adopt Ordinance 2017-03-00850 approving the 2017 Comprehensive Plan including the amendments made to the Street and Water sections, and the Sewer Master Plan Map, Water System Map, Thoroughfare Plan Map and the Land Use Map as submitted with the R-2 designation for the four lots along Estates Parkway. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

Mayor Olk announced that he would be moving Agenda Item No. 11 to the beginning of the Regular agenda for discussion.

11. Receive update from the Collin County Sheriff's Office regarding recent criminal activity in the City related to vehicle and/or property damage caused by criminal mischief and provide any necessary direction to staff as a result of such report.

Collin County Sheriff's Deputy Brent Collins gave a presentation detailing incidents that occurred thus far regarding recent criminal activity in the City of Lucas and the manpower being dedicated to resolve the situation. Deputy Collins discussed with audience member's ways to report any issues or questions to the Sheriff's office.

6. Presentation and discussion regarding the provision of law enforcement services by the Collin County Sheriff's Office.

Collin County Sheriff Jim Skinner discussed the law enforcement services provided to Lucas, the current contract cost for one deputy and one vehicle, and the number of calls and average response time of 14 minutes associated with having only one deputy dedicated to Lucas. Sheriff Skinner reviewed the Collin County district map and the increasing need to raise the minimum staffing levels to two deputies per patrol district. Sheriff Skinner proposed the City of Lucas, based on call volumes, add two additional deputies, that would be utilized in Lucas but also surrounding communities as needed. Sheriff Skinner explained that one deputy would work from 6:00 am to 4:00 pm and two deputies would work from 4:00 pm to 12:00 am.

The Council discussed how prioritization of the calls would be assessed, implementation time frame, and what other communities would be taking part to assist with funding for additional deputies and associated expenses.

The Council discussed concerns associated with paying for additional deputies that would not be dedicated to Lucas full-time and sharing boundaries with other communities. The Council was in agreement to consider as part of the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget funding one additional deputy dedicated to Lucas and directed the City Manager to prepare that information as part of the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget.

 Consider the approval of the City of Lucas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 presented by BrooksCardiel, PLLC. Mike Brooks with BrooksCardiel, PLLC gave a brief presentation regarding the City's financial status, assets, fund balance, and debt service. He noted that the City received an unmodified opinion, which was the highest level of assurance.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Fisher to approve the City of Lucas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year 2015-2016. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

8. Consider the provision of residential and commercial solid waste collection/disposal, recycling related services including curbside residential recycling and e-waste/household hazardous waste removal, residential bulk/brush/yard waste collection services and provide direction to staff regarding the types of refuse-related services to be provided to the citizens of Lucas and the process to consider in acquiring a provider for those services and the negotiation of contract with selected contractor.

City Manager Joni Clarke noted that many calls received at the City were related to disposal of large brush items. Ms. Clarke stated that she would like the opportunity to address brush pickup needs as part of proposals being requested for waste disposal services.

The following individuals spoke in favor of maintaining Barnes Waste Disposal as the City's waste disposal provider and their exceptional customer service:

- Jennifer Cooke, 1125 Bloom Street, Lucas
- David Keer, 1850 Travis
- Kathleen LoSapio, 650 Scarlett Drive, did not speak but submitted a comment card stating her support for Barnes Waste Disposal

The following individuals submitted emails in support of maintaining Barnes Waste Disposal as the City's waste disposal provider:

- Lynne Dodson, 1675 Lynn
- Jeff and Kelly Hayward, 406 Spurgin
- Russ and Deborah Carlson, 38 Citrus Way
- Terrie Park, 1725 Lynn
- M. Miller (no other name or address given)
- Ross and Neva Riney, 2 Mandarin Cove
- Pam Dumas, 6 Cedar Bend Trail
- Sarah Kelldorf, 600 Long Road
- Tim Flick, 1215 Galway Drive

Chuck Vavra, 15 North Star emailed in opposition of Barnes Waste Disposal citing odorous wastewater that was dumped from their trucks during their routes.

Councilmember Fisher noted that she had received 15 emails in support of maintaining Barnes Waste Disposal. Ms. Fisher noted that she was in favor of using the smaller trucks that Barnes provides for trash pickup so as to not tear up the City streets, and was in favor of looking into options for large brush pickup services.

Councilmember Millsap noted that the proposals submitted include a proposal from CWD that included trash and recycling and was less expensive than was proposed by Barnes Waste Disposal for trash only. Councilmember Millsap suggested bringing these proposals back to another council meeting allowing the citizens to review the proposals.

A majority of the Council was in agreement to direct the City Manager to move forward with a contract with Barnes Waste Disposal for trash services only and to review options for large brush pickup services.

The Council was in agreement to review options for offering recycling services to the 700 plus residents that currently participate in the City's recycling program. The Council did not want to require a mandatory city-wide recycling program.

- Consider authorizing the City Manager to proceed with the acquisition of emergency radio hardware and software in the amount of \$83,764.87 from Motorola and to appropriate funding from the unrestricted General Fund reserves to Account 11-6300-420 in the 2016-2017 budget.
- MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to approve authorizing the City Manager to proceed with the acquisition of emergency radio hardware and software in the amount of \$83,765 from Motorola and to appropriate funding from the unrestricted General Fund reserves to Account 11-6300-420 in the 2016-2017 budget. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.
- Receive update regarding the Collin County Roadway Action Plan and proposed Collin County Bond election for future funding.

Mayor Olk noted that he and Public Works Director/City Engineer Stanton Foerster recently attended the Collin County Transportation Bond Program meeting regarding transportation updates and proposed limited access roadways (LARs). Mayor Olk noted that the purpose of the meeting was to gather support from various Collin County cities for a bond election in November 2017 in the amount of \$400 to \$560 million to assist with transportation projects in conjunction with TxDOT. Mayor Olk discussed maps that had been updated to reflect the accurate north/south street proposals reflective of the court order by the Collin County Commissioners Court. Mayor Olk also noted that in discussions with the County, he could not support a bond until decisions had been made regarding the placement of the north/south corridor between US 75 and Lake Lavon.

Executive Session

The City Council may convene in a closed Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

11. Executive Session.

An Executive Session was not scheduled for this meeting.

12. Adjournment.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap, seconded by Councilmember Duke to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

Jim Olk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stacy Henderson, City Secretary

