

City of Lucas City Council Meeting August 22, 2019 7:05 P.M.

(or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention and EMS District meeting)

City Hall - 665 Country Club Road - Lucas Texas

MINUTES

Call to Order

Mayor Olk called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Jim Olk Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele

Councilmember Wayne Millsap Councilmember Tim Baney

Councilmember Debbie Fisher Councilmember Philip Lawrence

Staff Present:

City Manager Joni Clarke
City Secretary Stacy Henderson

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn

Finance Director Liz Exum

City Councilmember Absent:

Councilmember Steve Duke

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

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input.

There was no citizen input at this meeting.

Community Interest

2. Items of Community Interest.

Mayor Olk noted that the Lucas Farmers Market would take place on October 12 and November 2 at the Community Park, and the Public Lands Trail Cleanup event was scheduled for September 21.

Consent Agenda

3. Consent Agenda.

3A. Consider approving R-2019-08-00486 adopting the City of Lucas Investment Policy.

3B. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a right of way use license and hold harmless agreement with Justin and Angela Himmelreich for the use of a 60-foot by 1.819-acre public right-of-way dedication adjacent to the southern property line of 2515 Orr Road.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Baney to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

Public Hearing Agenda

- 4. Public Hearing Agenda:
 - 4A. Public hearing to consider the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Mayor Olk opened the public hearing at 7:08 pm, there being no one wanting to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Olk noted that the tax rate for fiscal year 19/20 would be \$0.303216, which was less than a \$6.00 per \$100,000 valuation increase from the previous year.

Councilmember Fisher noted that there was a decrease in the amount being taxed for maintenance and operations in fiscal year 19/20 than in fiscal year 18/19.

This item was for discussion purposes only, no formal action was taken.

4B. Public hearing to consider the budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Mayor Olk opened the public hearing at 7:09 pm, there being no one wanting to speak, the public hearing was closed.

There was no further discussion on this item, it was for discussion purposes only. No formal action was taken.

Regular Agenda

5. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a development agreement with the Daniel L. Strong Revocable Living Trust for the property located at 1090 Ingram Lane, Strong Farms, Blk A, Lot 2 approving the removal of a billboard and appropriating \$15,000 to account 51-6400-309 Professional Services from unrestricted General Fund Reserves, and waiving water service impact fees in the amount of \$4552.80.

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn stated that the Mitchells have purchased the lot at 1090 Ingram Lane with the intention of building a home that is approximately 75% complete. The lot has issues with water line access that the Mitchells have been attempting to work through with the City Engineer. During discussions about the water line, removal of the billboard was also discussed. The Mitchells and a Trustee representative for the Daniel L. Strong Revocable Living Trust who manages the billboard lease, have agreed that if the City would supply water service, a

water meter, and waive the water impact fees, they would forgo renewing the lease on the billboard located on their property and have it removed. The lease expires on March 31, 2020. It would be the responsibility of Clear Channel Outdoor to remove the billboard within 120 days per the lease agreement.

Mayor Olk noted that he met with the Mitchells regarding their property and the removal of the billboard. He noted that to bring water to the property would cost the owners approximately \$150,000 and for the City to the remove the billboard, would also be very costly. Mayor Olk noted that the billboard was unsightly, and the agreement allows for removal of the billboard as well.

Councilmember Fisher stated that the water line expense was a development cost to the homeowner, and she did not support using taxpayer funds to add water lines to a property or to remove a billboard.

Councilmembers Baney, Millsap and Lawrence were in favor of removing the billboard.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele expressed her concern with the amount of funding needed to supply water to the property and how long it would take the City to recover the costs for that expense.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to authorize the City Manager to enter into a development agreement with the Daniel L. Strong Revocable Living Trust for the property located at 1090 Ingram Lane, Strong Farms, Blk A, Lot 2 approving the removal of a billboard and appropriating \$15,000 to account 51-6400-309 Professional Services from unrestricted General Fund Reserves, and waiving water service impact fees in the amount of \$4552.80. The motion passed by a 4 to 2 vote with Councilmember Fisher and Mayor Pro Tem Peele voting in opposition.

Executive Session Agenda

6. Executive Session: An Executive Session is not scheduled for this meeting.

An Executive Session was not held at this meeting.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Millsap seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

Mayor Jim Olk

ATTEST:

Stacy Henderson, City Secretary