

City of Lucas City Council Meeting August 29, 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 7:02 p.m.

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Jim Olk

Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele

Councilmember Wayne Millsap (arrived at 7:12pm)

Councilmember Tim Baney

Councilmember Steve Duke

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 Engineer Stanton Foerster

Fire Chief Ted Stephens

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. Mayor Olk also explained that he and City Manager Joni Clarke met with Collin County Judge Chris Hill and Commissioner Williams regarding the County's transportation plan for expansion, and the City's vision for future roadways in Lucas. Mayor Olk noted that the City would continue working with the County regarding expansion of Lucas roadways in accordance with the City's vision.

Chief Stephens noted that National Night Out would be held October 1.

Consent Agenda

3. Consent Agenda:

- 3A. Consider amending the Fiscal Year 18/19 budget 11-4914 insurance proceeds in the amount of \$6,295.36 and associated expense account 11-6212-232 Vehicle Maintenance for property damage repairs for the hailstorm that occurred on March 25, 2019.
- 3B. Consider amending FY 2018-2019 budget by appropriating \$27,806 from unrestricted Water Fund reserves to account 51-6400-233 Repairs and Maintenance Water Systems for repair and replacement of burned out pumps and faulty clay valves damaged during peak water volume usage consumed during the months of July and August.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Duke, seconded by Councilmember Baney to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

4. Consider approving a City-sponsored fall parade event on Saturday, October 19, 2019.

City Manager Joni Clarke stated that a citizen group was interested in holding a community event at the Community Park, but due to certain challenges was unable to do so. As a compromise, City staff was suggesting a city sponsored fall parade and pet costume contest on October 19 that would be held in lieu of the parade at Founders Day. Ms. Clarke stated that staff would manage the parade and include volunteers.

Councilmember Fisher stated that volunteers should be utilized in a better capacity to involve the community and maintain a lighter workload for staff.

The City Council discussed the current workload of staff, the concern of holding too many events in the fall, and the need for volunteers to handle a majority of the workload for the event.

Brenda Rizos, 1200 Winningkoff, discussed the details of the community event that the volunteer group wanted to hold, but due to insurance and park ordinance regulations were not able to conduct. Ms. Rizos stated that they were interested in volunteering for the parade and taking on various aspects of the event.

The City Council discussed logistics of the event, such as road closures, utilization of Collin County Deputies, and who would handle certain details of the event.

Tracy Matern, 2 Choice Lane, stated that the only items City staff needed to take part in was the insurance for the event, traffic related items, and utilization of the deputies. The volunteers would handle the remainder of the event.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Baney, seconded by Councilmember Duke to approve a City-sponsored fall parade event on Saturday, October 19, 2019. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

5. Consider approving Resolution R-2019-08-00488 supporting 1) the reconstruction of the intersection of FM 1378 and FM 3286; 2) a TxDOT study and consideration of the roundabout at said intersection; and 3) providing for an effective date.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele explained that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) had presented to the City a proposal for the reconstruction of the intersection that included a 4-lane divided roadway with a median that limited access to the Bait shop and did not allow for a left turn onto Cedar Bend. Mayor Pro Tem Peele stated that the City must seek alternatives that can be presented to TxDOT for consideration. Mayor Pro Tem Peele shared the research that she had conducted regarding roundabouts, traffic calming devices, and traffic circles, the distinction between each item, and what their purpose was related to moving traffic. Mayor Pro Tem Peele discussed roundabouts as a viable option for the intersection because it provided continuous traffic flow, the size could accommodate between one to four lanes, and roundabouts also accommodate larger vehicles and trailers such as horse trailers and fire engines.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele asked that voting on this item be delayed until the September 5, 2019 Council meeting to allow additional time to get information out to the citizens.

Mayor Olk called the following individuals forward that requested to speak:

Patsy Black, 2180 Snider Lane, expressed her concern that a roundabout would not be able to handle the amount of traffic at the intersection currently, and if an 18-wheeler could maneuver within the roundabout.

Brenda Rizos, 1200 Winningkoff, expressed her concerns regarding the larger trailers and trucks being able to maneuver within the roundabout and if the roundabout would provide relief to the congestion at that intersection.

Mohammad Dezfoolian, 175 Southview, owner of the Lucas Food Mart expressed his concern that TxDOTs proposal would cut off access to his property and was unsure if the roundabout would ease congestion in the area.

City Engineer Stanton Foerster discussed with the Council the timeline and process for approving and constructing roadways. Mr. Foerster stated that a Resolution from the Council would be needed for TxDOT to consider another alternative.

Mayor Olk read emails received into the record from the following individuals:

Richard Meyer, 1475 Holy Oak, stated he was in favor of the roundabout. Scott and Angela Areis, stated their opposition to the roundabout. Kenneth Bird, 4 Orchard Road, stated their opposition to the roundabout.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Duke to table this item for consideration to the September 5, 2019 City Council meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

6. Consider adopting Ordinance 2019-08-00898 approving the budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Duke to adopt Ordinance 2019-08-00898 approving the budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote with the following roll call vote taken:

Councilmember Fisher: Yes
Councilmember Baney: Yes
Councilmember Duke: Yes
Mayor Olk: Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Peele: Yes
Councilmember Millsap: Yes
Councilmember Lawrence: Yes

MOTION:

A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the fiscal year 2019-2020 adopted budget. The motion passed by a 6 to 1 vote with the following roll call vote taken:

Councilmember Fisher: Yes
Councilmember Baney: Yes
Councilmember Duke: Yes
Mayor Olk: Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Peele: Yes
Councilmember Millsap: Nay
Councilmember Lawrence: Yes

7. Consider adopting Ordinance 2019-08-00899 of the City of Lucas, Texas, levying Ad Valorem Taxes for the Tax Year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019-2020) at a rate of \$0.303216 per one hundred (\$100) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Lucas as of January 1, 2019.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Baney to approve the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.303216, which is effectively a 1.96 percent increase in the tax rate. The motion passed by a 6 to 1 vote with the following roll call vote taken:

Councilmember Fisher: Yes
Councilmember Baney: Yes
Councilmember Duke: Yes
Mayor Olk: Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Peele: Yes
Councilmember Millsap: Nay
Councilmember Lawrence: Yes

8. Executive Session.

Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council will convene into Executive Session to deliberate the purchase of real property located within the City of Lucas.

The City Council convened into Executive Session at 8:29 pm.

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

The City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:41pm. There was no action taken as a result of the Executive Session.

10. Adjournment.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Millsap to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

Mayor Jim Olk

ATTEST:

Stacy Henderson, City Secretary