#### **MINUTES**



#### CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 20, 2022 | 6:30 PM Council Chambers City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

# City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Jim Olk Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele Councilmember Tim Johnson Councilmember David Keer Councilmember Tim Baney Councilmember Debbie Fisher

#### **City Staff Present:**

City Manager Joni Clarke City Secretary Erin Day Assistant City Manager Kent Souriyasak Fire Chief Ted Stephens City Attorney Joe Gorfida Assistant City Attorney Courtney Morris

# City Councilmembers Absent:

Councilmember Phil Lawrence

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### Citizen Input

### 1. Citizen Input

Catherine Habib of 2220 Tractor Trail in Lucas, TX, addressed the Council expressing her concerns regarding feral hogs in her neighborhood. She stated she is requesting from Council some type of protection for homeowners from the feral hogs. She advised she searched the city website for records, and requested from the City any records related to feral hogs, and there were none. She gave examples of what she thinks could help with the issue, including purchasing a portable trap that citizens can rent or entering into a partnership with Collin County and surrounding cities in the area with Texas Wildlife Services. She brought a print out of a trap that could be purchased for around \$2,000, advising the City could recoup the money with rental fees. She stated that in her neighborhood, they are not able to build fences to the street, and that all 12 homes have been hit by the hogs. She requested a personal communication from the Council explaining why there cannot be a partnership with the Texas Wildlife Services.

# **Community Interest**

#### 2. Items of Community Interest

Items of community interest included:

• Fire Chief Ted Stephens introduced Joel Duke, Texas State Fire Marshal's Office-Texas Department of Insurance, Hugh "Skip" Gibson, ISO Regional Manager, and David Eaves, ISO Senior Field Representative. Mr. Gibson gave a presentation with background information on the ISO Class 1 Rating. He explained that there are 10 ratings of fire protection, and they are determined by a schedule of 105.5 points that are given based on 911 communications, response time, amount of personnel, training of personnel, water that is

available, community risk reduction and other national standards. Mr. Gibson went through the high scores that the Lucas Fire-Rescue received, which added up to the Class 1 rating that they were awarded with. Mr. Duke congratulated the various departments in the City of Lucas that contributed to the rating. He presented Chief Ted Stephens with a Class 1 plaque from the Texas State Marshall's office and the Texas Department of Insurance.

Mayor Olk presented a proclamation declaring October 2022 as Breast Cancer Awareness
Month to Councilmember Debbie Fisher in recognition of her being a breast cancer survivor.
Councilmember Fisher thanked the city for their emphasis on Breast Cancer Awareness. She
urged families to encourage loved ones to get necessary screenings, advising that early
detection is key.

Mayor Olk provided an update on the following items:

- CWD has fully picked up trash, recycling, bulk and brush and are still delivering new carts and
  picking up old carts. He advised the city has a go-to informational webpage that citizens can
  use for requests.
- The last Lucas Farmer's Market will be on October 22, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. 1200:00 p.m.
- The Arbor Day and Recycling Event will be on Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 9 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
- Lucas Fire-Rescue has been invited to have a Fire Prevention Booth at the Lovejoy Leopard Friday Event, to be held on October 21, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- Election Day will be held on November 8, 2022. Early Voting is from October 24, 2022 to November 4, 2022. Residents may vote at the City of Lucas Community Center.

# Consent Agenda

#### 3. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of the minutes of the September 15, 2022, City Council meeting.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote, with Councilmember Lawrence absent.

Mayor Olk requested that Agenda Item 6 be moved prior to the Executive Session.

# Regular Agenda

6. Consider a request by Lucas citizen Helen Freshcoln to donate and install a memorial tree and stone marker at the Community Park in honor of former Board of Adjustments and Water System Review Board Member Harry Freshcoln.

Helen Freshcoln of 4 Cimmaron Trail, Lucas, TX, spoke thanking the Fire Department, the Council, and the Collin County Sherriff's Office for aiding her family when they had tragedy strike in March,

and for presenting her family with a City of Lucas flag during her husband's funeral service. She spoke about when she and her husband, Harry Freshcoln, first moved to Lucas and there was an issue with the water system. Her husband wanted to help fix the problem and spent years working on the Board of Adjustment and the Water System Review Board. She requested that the City allow her to plant a tree in memory of Harry Freshcoln in the Community Park with a placard.

Mayor Olk asked City Manager Joni Clarke what our policy is on trees. Ms. Clarke explained we have a Service Tree program and we honor residents with a service tree in the park on an annual basis. Occasionally there is a special consideration as in this case. There is not a formal policy, but it is common practice in the public sector.

Mayor Olk spoke in favor of the request and gave his belief that the City should incur the cost of planting the tree. Councilmember Fisher agreed and spoke about Harry's service to the Water System Review Board.

Councilmember Baney asked if we could make the decision at this time to have this tree as one of our Service Trees for this year. Ms. Clarke advised that we could.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Baney to select Harry Freshcoln as one of this year's Service Tree Award Recipients, seconded by Councilmember Fisher. The motion passed unanimously by a 6-0 vote, with Councilmember Lawrence absent.

# **Executive Agenda**

4. Executive Session.

The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071(2) to consult with the City Attorney regarding the West Lucas Road widening project.

The City Council went into Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.

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

The City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

# Regular Agenda

 Discuss establishing logo usage guidelines for the City of Lucas logo and provide direction to the City Manager.

City Manager Joni Clarke advised the City received a request from a citizen regarding purchasing barn quilts for mailboxes with the City of Lucas logo. She stated we currently do not allow other entities to use our city logo, but that we can develop a policy regarding logo usage if it is something the Council would like to consider. She advised City Attorney Joe Gorfida and staff had developed some guidelines relating to logo usage. Councilmember Fisher asked if this is done in other cities. Ms. Clarke advised it is common, especially in parks and recreation and special events.

Mr. Gorfida advised we could have users sign a license agreement along with a policy. Councilmember Johnson asked if the license agreement would be with end users or just the company that would print them. Mr. Gorfida advised it would just be the company.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele advised she is in favor but that the City has to be careful so that the logo is not altered in any way, and that we need to be very clear on what circumstances can take place. Councilmember Baney advised he doesn't want to have problems and gave an example of the City having to chase down who is using the logo and where.

Mayor Olk advised he thinks if a neighborhood wants to use the logo, he would not be opposed to it. Mayor Pro Tem Peele agreed and advised the problem is if a user wants to change the logo and promote it. Councilmember Baney advised if we open the door for users to use the logo for "Lucas Pride" it becomes messy. Mayor Pro Tem Peele disagreed and stated in Plano and Allen they have logos and sell shirts, patches, and other things. Councilmember Fisher advised she thinks Lucas will be known more for using the logo because it is very unique and well respected from other people. Councilmember Johnson advised that in the agreement we can be specific that changing the size or color is not allowed and add a time limit to cover ourselves with end users. Mayor Olk advised he doesn't think we should make end users sign an agreement, just the sellers. Mayor Pro Tem Peele advised we could always go back and tighten up the agreement if needed.

Mr. Gorfida asked if there are any comments on the guidelines that were drafted. Mayor Olk advised the only comment he had was on Section 4 that references license fees, he believes that the fee should be established by the license agreement based on the type of usage.

Councilmember Fisher advised she would like to look over the agreement and asked Ms. Clarke to send an example of another city's policy to Council. Mayor Olk advised the Council can take some time to look over the agreement, submit any comments to the City Manager and bring it back for discussion at the next Council meeting.

#### 8. Adjournment.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Keer to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote, with Councilmember Lawrence absent.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mayor Jim Olk

City Secretary Enn Day

