



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

September 21, 2023 | 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 David Keer
Councilmember Tim Johnson
Councilmember Phil Lawrence
Councilmember Debbie Fisher
Councilmember Dusty Kuykendall

City Staff Present:

City Manager Joni Clarke
City Secretary Toshia Kimball
Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn
Public Works Director Scott Holden
City Attorney Joe Gorfida
Management Analyst Joshua Menhennett
Deputy Daniel Gillespie
Fire Chief Ted Stephens

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

Citizen Input

1. Citizen Input

There were no members of the public wishing to address the City Council.

Community Interest

2. Items of Community Interest.

Mayor Olk gave items of community interest including:

- Lucas Farmers Market
- Public Lands Trail Cleanup
- National Night Out
- Movie in the Park
- Fire Station Open House

Councilmember Johnson mentioned that on October 4, 2023, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will conduct a nationwide alert system test. The alert will activate on all consumer cell phones as well as all radio and television broadcasters and providers.

Consent Agenda

3. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the September 7, 2023 City Council Meeting.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the September 7, 2023 City Council Special Meeting.

- C. 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$14,970.
- D. 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$19,030.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peele, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

Regular Agenda

4. Receive a presentation on the State of the District from Lovejoy Independent School District Superintendent Katie Kordel.

Lovejoy Independent School District Superintendent Katie Kordel and Lovejoy Independent School District Board President Barrett Owens gave a presentation that provided an overview of the district.

Superintendent Kordel shared that the district serves 4,000 students on six campuses. Lovejoy ISD is proud of their culture that focuses on relationships, learning, collaboration, results and fun. Ms. Kordel shared an interest in a joint meeting with Lovejoy Independent School District Board members and the City of Lucas City Council.

Councilmember Lawrence and Councilmember Kuykendall showed interest.

5. Conduct candidate interviews and consider an appointment to fill the vacant position as Alternate Member 2 on the Parks and Open Space Board.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Kuykendall, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence to appoint Lynne Dodson as Alternate Member 2 of the Parks and Open Space Board with a term expiring December 31, 2024. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

6. Receive a presentation on the alternative design options to the West Lucas Road Reconstruction Project, consider a project update, and provide direction to the City Manager.

Design Engineer Chris Meszler of BCC Engineering presented three options:

Alternative 1: \$5.2 million:

Curb and gutter with curb cuts – Open drainage both sides/Walmart detention pond outflow contained in a pipe as far to the east as needed.

Alternative 2: \$4.9 million:

Flush shoulders – Open drainage on both sides/Walmart detention pond outflow in a pipe to Muddy Creek.

Alternative 3: \$3.6 million:

Flush Shoulders – Open drainage on both sides/Walmart detention pond outflow contained in larger north side ditch.

Councilmember Lawrence advised to approve one of the three options because we need a cushion due to future construction cost increase. He also questioned how maintenance would be maintained in the future.

Public Works Director Scott Holden advised we would address issues as they come up the City of Lucas could fix or hire a third-party company for major repairs.

Councilmember Fisher expressed concern about potential hydroplaning and excess water on the properties in spite of cutouts and noting that the speed limit is 50 miles per hour. She also requested an explanation of the funding.

Mayor Olk advised that the County suggested that we go to the Regional Transportation Council at the NCTCOG (North Central Texas Council of Governments) COG and request additional funds to make the project viable.

City Manager Joni Clark advised that Public Works Director Scott Holden has already completed the application process.

Public Works Director Scott Holden advised that TXDOT is a funding source where they take the money from the federal government and transfer it to the local governments. The Council of Governments or RTR (Regional Toll Revenue) has to apply projects to the Federal Highway Association. Once approval is received on the projects, we will have the opportunity to apply and more information should be obtained in January.

Mayor Pro Tem Peele has a pause for concern, because TXDOT has to follow national guidelines which require curbs and sidewalks.

Mayor Olk advised that it is not a TXDOT project. The money comes from the federal government to TXDOT and TXDOT gives it to the COG.

City Manager Joni Clarke stated the funding has to be approved for the project to move forward and the project is on hold until we find out about the funding.

Councilmember Fisher asked if this is a selected design to know what funding to go for and City Manager Joni Clarke confirmed yes.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Olk, seconded by Councilmember Lawrence, to approve Option 2 as an alternative design to the West Lucas Road Reconstruction Project. The motion passed by a 6 to 1 vote. Councilmember Fisher opposed the motion.

7. Consider adopting Ordinance 2023-09-00991 amending the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances, Appendix C titled “Fee Schedule”.

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn presented.

Councilmember Fisher requested to change Ordinance 2023-09-00991, Section 1, Subsection 1.200 Remodel to single-family dwellings from \$50.00 per inspection fee to \$100.00 per inspection fee. And Section 1, Subsection 1.300 Detached accessory buildings from \$50.00 per inspection fee to \$100.00 per inspection fee.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Mayor Olk, to adopt Ordinance 2023-09-00991 amending the City of Lucas Code of Ordinances, Appendix C titled "Fee Schedule" with an amendment to Section 1, Subsection 1.200 and Subsection 1.300 changing \$50.00 per inspection fee to \$100.00 per inspection fee. The motion passed by a 7 to 0 vote.

8. Discuss participation by the City Council in National Night Out on October 3, 2023.

Councilmembers will partner and attend National Night Out Parties in the City of Lucas at the following:

- Stonegate HOA of Lucas
- Enchanted Creek
- Kirkland Estates
- Bristol Park
- Northfolk Ranch
- Brookhaven Ranch Estates
- McMillen Road
- Glenbrook Circle
- Tara Crime Watch
- Seis Lago Community

Executive Session

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

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney regarding any item on the agenda at any time during the meeting. This meeting is closed to the public as provided in the Texas Government Code.

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

11. Adjournment.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 7 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:



Mayor Jim Olk

ATTEST:



Toshia Kimball, City Secretary