

REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023
CITY HALL, 105 BALLARD DRIVE

MAYOR DAUGHERTY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

RICK THELEN, YVETTE MARTIN, GINGER SIMS, SALLIE BLACK, AND GAVIN RASCO.

SALLIE BLACK SAID THE INVOCATION, AND MAYOR JEFF DAUGHERTY LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

F-1 DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL PLACE 1, AND COUNCIL PLACE 2 AND CANCELING THE MAY 6, 2023, GENERAL ELECTION. RICK THELEN MOVED TO APPROVE. SECONDED BY GAVIN RASCO. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. MICHELLE WIESE, THE CITY SECRETARY, NOTED THAT THE AGENDA HAD A TYPO. IT SHOULD BE COUNCIL PLACE 3 RATHER THAN COUNCIL PLACE 2.

F-2 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO GO OUT TO BID FOR THE LIFT STATION AT LINDALE BUSINESS PARK. A SUMMARY WAS PROVIDED BY REA BOUDREAUX OF BRANNON ENGINEERING. THE ENGINEERING AND SPECIFICATIONS ARE FINISHED AND PREPARED FOR SUBMISSION TO BIDDERS. THIS PROJECT IS SUPPORTED BY SMITH COUNTY ARPA FUNDS. GINGER SIMS MOVED TO APPROVE GOING OUT FOR BID FOR THE LIFT STATION AT THE LINDALE BUSINESS PARK. SALLIE BLACK SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-3 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO GO OUT TO BID FOR WEST LINDALE CROSSING PHASE I WATER LINE LOOPING PROJECT. A SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT WAS PROVIDED BY REA BOUDREAUX OF BRANNON ENGINEERING. THE PROJECT BEGAN IN MARCH 2022. FOR THE WEST LINDALE CROSSING, THE ENGINEERING AND BID SPECIFICATIONS ARE FINISHED AND PREPARED FOR SUBMISSION TO BIDDERS. THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED IN TWO PHASES. EVERYTHING WILL BE IN PHASE I ON THE EAST SIDE OF HIGHWAY 69, AND PHASE II WILL BE ON THE WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY 69. FOR THIS PROJECT, THE CITY HAS \$800,000 ARPA FUNDS. SALLIE BLACK MOVED TO APPROVE GOING OUT TO BID FOR PHASE I OF THE WEST LINDALE CROSSING LOOPING WATER LINE PROJECT. YVETTE MARTIN SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-4 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ENGINEERING COST FOR E. CENTENNIAL. A SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT WAS PROVIDED BY REA BOUDREAUX WITH BRANNON ENGINEERING. BY HAVING COMPLETE ENGINEERING DRAWINGS FOR E. CENTENNIAL THAT INCLUDE THE ENGINEERING OF THE UTILITIES, IT WILL HELP THE CITY, EVEN IF THE CITY DOES NOT BUILD THE ENTIRE ROAD AT ONE TIME. HAVING ALL THE UTILITIES DESIGNED AND ENGINEERED WILL HELP THE CITY WHEN INSTALLING UTILITIES AND HELP DEVELOPERS. GINGER SIMS MOVED TO APPROVE THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH BRANNON ENGINEER FOR ENGINEERING ROAD AND UTILITIES FOR E. CENTENNIAL PROJECT FOR \$337,273, AND ADDITIONAL COST AS PROVIDED IN THE ENGINEER AGREEMENT. SALLIE BLACK SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-5 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO PURCHASE VACUUM TRAILER FOR 23,622 FROM WATER CAPITAL FUND. CORY MOOSE, UTILITIES DIRECTOR, GAVE A SUMMARY TO COUNCIL FOR THE REQUEST TO PURCHASE A VACUUM TRAILER. WE CURRENTLY CONTRACT OUT VACUUM TRUCK OPERATIONS. WE HAVE SPENT OVER \$14,000 IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. THERE IS LAG TIME WHEN CALLING OUT A VACUUM TRUCK. HAVING A CITY-OWNED VACUUM TRAILER WILL ALLOW US TO DEAL WITH SEWER BACKUP MORE EFFICIENTLY. THE VACUUM TRAILER WILL BE USED IN OUR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE TO REMOVE DEBRIS AND GREASE FROM OUR LIFT STATIONS AND MANHOLES. GAVIN RASCO MOVED TO APPROVE \$23,622 FROM WATER CAPITAL FUND TO PURCHASE A VACUUM TRAILER. YVETTE MARTIN SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-6 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO PURCHASE DUMP TRAILER FOR 7,627.71 FROM WATER CAPITAL FUND. CORY MOOSE, DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES, GAVE A SUMMARY OF THE REQUEST FOR A DUMP TRAILER. THE SOUTHSIDE LIFT STATION HAS A 4 YD TRASH BIN THAT WAS USED TO COLLECT WASTEWATER SCREENINGS. THE REPUBLIC TRASH SERVICE CAME OUT AND REMOVED IT BECAUSE IT CONTAINS HAZARDOUS WASTE. THEY CAN NOT HAUL IT IN THAT SIZE TRASH CONTAINER. HAVING A DUMP TRAILER IS THE BEST OPTION TO HAUL THE SCREENING FROM THE LIFT STATION TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR DISPOSAL. YVETTE MARTIN MOVED TO APPROVE \$7,628 FROM WATER CAPITAL FUND TO PURCHASE A DUMP TRAILER. GINGER SIMS SECONDED. ALL VOTE IN FAVOR.

F-7 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RENEW CONTRACT WITH VICTOR MARTINEZ FOR CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FOR 28,000 A YEAR. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THAT IN THE LAST FEW YEARS WE HAVE ADDED 4 ADDITIONAL BLOCKS IN THE CEMETERY. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 18 BLOCKS. VICTOR MARTINEZ HAS BEEN TAKING CARE OF THE CEMETERY FOR THREE YEARS AND WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE CEMETERY, HE DOES A GREAT JOB. SHE RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF RENEWING THE CONTRACT. RICK THELEN MOVED TO EXTEND THE CEMETERY CONTRACT WITH VICTOR MARTINEZ FOR \$28,000 PER YEAR FOR CITY CEMETERY MAINTENANCE. SALLIE BLACK SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-8 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT OR DENY PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENT TO RIGHT OF WAY FEES. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL.

F-9 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE COUNCILMAN RICK THELEN ABSENCE FROM FEBRUARY 21, 2023, COUNCIL MEETING AS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE. SALLIE BLACK MOVED TO APPROVE COUNCILMAN RICK THELEN ABSENCE FROM FEBRUARY 21, 2023, COUNCIL MEETING AS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE. GINGER SIMS SECONDED. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-10 CITIZEN TALK TIME. NONE.

F-11 REPORTS: CITY COUNCIL, CITY MGR., CITY STAFF (NO DISCUSSION, INFORMATION UPDATE ONLY). COUNCIL MEMBERS THANKED ALL THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COUNTY OFFICERS FOR DOING A GOOD JOB IN HANDLING A RECENT THREAT CALLED INTO LINDALE ISD. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, UPDATED ON THE COMMUNITY CENTER. CHIEF SOMES UPDATED THE COUNCIL ON THE RECENT INCIDENT AT THE SCHOOL. THE INCIDENT IS UNDER INVESTIGATION. HE WAS PLEASED WITH THE RESPONSE TIME AND VERY PROUD OF EVERYONE DURING THE SITUATION. WE HAVE AN RESERVE OFFICER FOCUSING THIS WEEK ON PATROLLING THE SCHOOLS.

G. ADJOURNMENT. 6:20 P.M.


MICHELLE WIESE, CITY SECRETARY


JEFF D. DAUGHERTY, MAYOR