

REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023
CITY HALL, 105 BALLARD DRIVE

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT BOB TARDIFF, YVETTE MARTIN, BRYAN SUMMERVILLE, SALLIE BLACK, AND GAVIN RASCO

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

F-1 PRESENTATION BY TOURISM DEPARTMENT REGARDING UPCOMING EVENTS. DR. BEAU HARTWEG, DIRECTOR OF THE EARTH AND SPACE CENTER AT TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE, WAS INTRODUCED BY SEONG MACLAREN, THE TOURISM DIRECTOR. IN A BRIEF PRESENTATION, HE DISCUSSED TWO SOLAR ECLIPSE EVENTS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN TEXAS. ON OCTOBER 14, 2023, THERE WILL BE AN ANNULAR SOLAR ECLIPSE THAT WILL CROSS NORTH AMERICA FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. AN ANNULAR ECLIPSE OCCURS WHEN THE MOON IS FARTHEST FROM EARTH AND DOESN'T BLOCK THE ENTIRE VIEW OF THE SUN, CREATING A "RING OF FIRE" EFFECT AROUND THE MOON. THE ECLIPSE WILL LAST FROM 10:25 A.M. UNTIL 1:32 P.M. LOCAL TIME, AND THE DEGREE OF DARKNESS WILL RESEMBLE THE EVENING. THE NEXT SUCH EVENT IN LINDALE WON'T OCCUR UNTIL THE YEAR 2165. SIX MONTHS LATER ON APRIL 8, 2024, LINDALE WILL BE IN THE COVETED PATH OF TOTALITY FOR A TOTAL ECLIPSE, WHICH WILL LAST FROM 12:24 P.M. UNTIL 3:04 LOCAL TIME. TOTALITY, WHICH OCCURS WHEN THE SUN IS ENTIRELY AND PERFECTLY BLOCKED THE MOON, WHICH CASTS A SHADOW ON THE EARTH, WHICH WILL RESULT IN 3 MINUTES TOTAL DARKNESS, FROM 1:42 P.M. UNTIL 1:45 P.M. IN LINDALE. THIS IS AN ONCE IN A LIFETIME EVENT. TEXAS HASN'T EXPERIENCED A TOTAL ECLIPSE SINCE 1878, 144 YEARS AGO AND IT WILL BE THE LAST TOTAL ECLIPSE VISIBLE IN TEXAS FOR THE REST OF THIS MILLENNIUM. SEONG MACLAREN, TOURISM DIRECTOR, STATED THE CITY OF LINDALE/VISIT LINDALE WILL HOST A FREE, 3-DAY EVENT APRIL 6-8, 2024, TO COMMEMORATE THE TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE THAT WILL OCCUR ACROSS TEXAS. THE EVENT, TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE PARK, WILL BE HELD AT DARDEN HARVEST PARK, PICKER'S PAVILION, AND THE CANNERY. THE EVENT WILL KICK OFF ON SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH WITH OPENING CEREMONY FESTIVITIES. VARIOUS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WILL COMMENCE AND LAST THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND.

F-2 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE SIXTH ADDENDUM TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT. THIS ADDENDUM IS EXTENDING CURRENT CONTRACT FOR ANOTHER YEAR. BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SIXTH ADDENDUM TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES. SECONDED BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE, YVETTE MARTIN AND GAVIN RASCO VOTED FOR. SALLIE BLACK ABSTAINED.

F-3 PRESENTATION LINDALE BASEBALL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ANY FUTURE CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR FIELDS. TIM HOLLAND WITH LINDALE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION PRESENTED BASEBALL FINANCIALS TO THE CITY COUNCIL. NO ACTION TAKEN.

F-4 DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A FACILITIES AGREEMENT WITH SMITH COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATION FOR USE OF KINZIE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING ELECTIONS. SALLIE BLACK MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE FACILITIES AGREEMENT FOR THE USE OF KINZIE COMMUNITY CENTER WITH SMITH COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATION. SECONDED BY YVETTE MARTIN. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-5 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE TO SELL WATER BASED ON AN EMERGENCY NEED TO LINDALE RURAL WATER FOR SET NUMBER OF DAYS PER CITY CHARTER ARTICLE IX SECTION 9.01 WHILE AGREEMENT IS BEING DEVELOPED. GAVIN RASCO MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A 30 DAY **ORDINANCE 05-2023** TO PROVIDE LINDALE RURAL WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION DURING AN EMERGENCY AND DEFINING AN EMERGENCY. SECONDED BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-6 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REPLACING OR REPAIRING SIREN AT WATER WELL #5. FOR WELL #5 SIREN, PRICE OPTIONS WERE PROVIDED BY CHIEF DAN SOMES. OPTION 1 ENTAILS REPLACING THE EXISTING T-128 HEAD WITH A NEW ONE FOR \$17,935 WITH A 5 YEAR WARRANTY. OPTION 2: WE SEND OUR OLD HEAD BACK FOR REPLACEMENT PARTS AND PAY \$11,250 WITH A 90 DAY WARRANTY. BOB TARDIFF

MADE A MOTION TO REPLACE WITH A NEW SIREN HEAD FOR \$17,935. SECONDED BY YVETTE MARTIN. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-7 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF LINDALE AND EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT FOR GSI SERVICES. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THAT ETCOG CURRENTLY PROVIDES THIS SERVICE. THE AGREEMENT EXTENDS THE SERVICE WITH THEM. THEY UPDATE OUR MAPS FOR WATER/SEWER/ETJ/ZONING. WHEN YOU LOG ONTO OUR CITY WEBSITE AND SEARCH FOR ZONING IT TAKES YOU TO THE SITE MAINTAINED BY THEM. BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF LINDALE AND EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT FOR GIS SERVICES. SECONDED BY SALLIE BLACK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-8 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 6, AND JUNE 20, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS. YVETTE MARTIN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 6, AND JUNE 20, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS. SECONDED BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

F-9 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE JUNE 2023 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS. JILL CHILDS, FINANCIAL DIRECTOR, PRESENTED EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS. THE CITY HAS MADE AN APPLICATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT ON SEVERAL OF THE PROJECTS THE CITY EXPANDED FUNDS FOR., INCLUDING THE DOWNTOWN SIDEWALKS AND TXDOT PROJECT ON HIGHWAY 16. BRYAN SUMMERVILLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JUNE 2023 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS. SECONDED BY GAVIN RASCO. 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 COMMENTED ON HOW GREAT THE KINZIE COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING WAS.

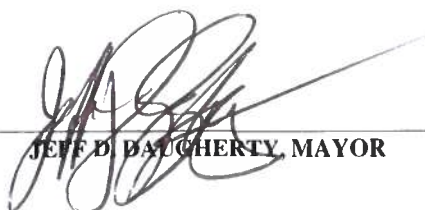
G. EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY UNDER SECTION 551.071(2) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE TO RECEIVE ADVICE ON LEGAL MATTERS CONCERNING A DEVELOPMENT NOT RELATED TO LITIGATION OR THE SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION AND TO DISCUSS DELIBERATION OR PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OF VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 551.072 TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. COUNCIL ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:37 P.M. COUNCIL ENTERED BACK INTO OPEN SESSION AT 6:58 P.M.

H. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION. BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT A **RESOLUTION 03-2023** AUTHORIZING DIXON SERVICES, INC. TO SEND THE FINAL OFFER TO THEDFORD CROSSING, L.P. TO ACQUIRE THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE E. CENTENNIAL BLVD. ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. FOR THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY, AND AUTHORIZING A LAWSUIT BE FILED TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY, IF THE FINAL OFFER IS NOT ACCEPTED. SECONDED BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR.

I. WORKSHOP FOR 2023-2024 BUDGET YEAR. COUNCIL ENTERED INTO BUDGET WORKSHOP 7:00 P.M. ITEMS DISCUSSED: THE BUDGET FOR 2023-2024 FOR GENERAL FUND, CAPITAL FUND, WATER DEPARTMENT FUND, AND HOTEL/MOTEL FUND. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THE BUDGET IS BALANCED WITH A 3% EMPLOYEE COLA. THERE IS ADJUSTMENT IN GARBAGE COLLECTION. REPUBLIC SERVICES GAVE A NOTIFICATION OF 5.7%. INCREASE IN SOLID WASTE COLLECTION, WATER/SEWER RATES WOULD INCREASE TO FOLLOW THE GARBAGE RATE INCREASE. THE MUNICIPAL COURT BUDGET INCREASED DUE TO THE FINE AND FORFEITURES INCREASE PAID TO THE STATE. THE CEMETERY FUND IS DOWN AND NOT EXPECTED TO MAKE BUDGET THIS YEAR DUE TO REVENUES ARE DOWN. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DID NOT MAKE BUDGET THIS YEAR DUE TO PERMITS ARE DOWN. PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET INCREASED ADJUSTMENT DUE TO REVENUES AND EXPENSES. THE TOURISM DEPARTMENT BUDGET INCREASED FOR ADDED ECLIPSE EVENT. DUMPSTERS ARE ADDED INTO THE BUDGET FOR DOWNTOWN. BUDGET WORKSHOP ENDED AT 7:46 P.M.

J. ADJOURNMENT. 7:46 MEETING ADJOURNED.


MICHELLE WIESE, CITY SECRETARY


JEFF D. BAUGHERTY, MAYOR