

REGULAR MEETING- TELECONFERENCE
LINDALE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY JANUARY 19, 2021 6:00 P. M.
CITY HALL, 105 BALLARD DR.

DUE TO THE CURRENT CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY A TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THE OPEN MEETING ACTS TO ALLOW TELEPHONE OR VIDEOCONFERENCING PUBLIC MEETINGS HAS BEEN GRANTED BY GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT. A TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF THE LINDALE CITY COUNCIL WAS CONDUCTED INSTEAD OF MEETING PROVIDING A PHYSICAL ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE BY JOINING A MEETING LIVE OR BY CALLING TO LISTEN LIVE.

MAYOR JEFF DAUGHERTY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. HAVING ESTABLISHED A QUORUM.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE: RICK THELEN, YVETTE MARTIN, GINGER SIMS, BOB TARDIFF, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE.

OTHERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER, CAROLYN CALDWELL (IN PERSON), CITY SECRETARY, MICHELLE WIESE (IN PERSON), FINANCIAL DIRECTOR, DAVID CRAFT (IN PERSON), UTILITY DIRECTOR, KYLE MCCOY (VIRTUAL).

CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER'S OPENING STATEMENT TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND ANY CITIZENS ONLINE THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND AGENDA ITEM YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS. IF THERE ARE ANY CITIZENS THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON CITIZEN TALK TIME STATE YOUR NAME.

C-1 PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED CENTENNIAL BLVD, APPROXIMATE 14.577 ACRES VACANT LAND, LINDALE PRIME LAND SOURCE SUBDIVISION, LOT 2B, CENTENNIAL BLVD., FROM "C-2 COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT "TO "MU-1 NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE DISTRICT". COUNCIL ENTERED INTO PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:05 P.M. STEVEN LLOYD, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, STATED THE ZONING APPLICATION FOR REZONING CLASSIFICATION WENT THROUGH PLANNING AND ZONING. LETTERS WERE SENT OUT. PLANNING AND ZONING HAD NO PUBLIC COMMENTS AT THEIR MEETING. THEY UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF THE REZONING. THERE BEING NO PUBLIC COMMENTS. PUBLIC HEARING ENDED 6:05 P.M.

C-2 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ZONING CHANGE REQUEST BY SAM SCARBOROUGH TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATE 14.577 ACRES VACANT LAND, LINDALE PRIME LAND SOURCE SUBDIVISION, LOT 2B, CENTENNIAL BLVD., CONSIDERATION OF A CHANGE IN ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM "C-2 COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT " TO "MU-1 NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE DISTRICT". BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ZONING CHANGE OF APPROXIMATE 14.577 ACRES VACANT LAND, LOT 2B, CENNTENNIAL BLVD., TO "MU-1 NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED USE DISTRICT". SECOND BY GINGER SIMS. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COVID POLICY, PROCEDURES, ORDERS, UPDATES, COMMUNITY EVENTS AND CONSULT WITH CITY MEDICAL ADVISOR. MAYOR DAUGHERTY UPDATED ON COVID. THE NUMBERS CONTINUE TO INCREASE AND THE HOSPITALS ARE FULL. THE GOVERNOR IS NOT ENFORCING ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE 50% OCCUPANCY RULE FOR RESTAURANTS AND SOME BUSINESSES. NO ACTION TAKEN ON ITEM.

C-4 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE EMERGENCY REPAIR EXPENDITURE FOR WELL #4. KYLE MCCOY, UTILITY DIRECTOR, STATED WELL #4 IS GOING TO TAKE A COMPLETE REBUILD. RUSSELL DRILLING CAME OUT AND INSPECTED THE CASINGS. THERE IS SIGNIFICANT BEARING WEAR ALONG THE SHAFT AND ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE PUMP. WE RECEIVED A BID FROM RUSSELL DRILLING. HE IS GOING TO HAVE WEISNGER COME OUT AND TAKE A LOOK. THERE IS SIGNIFICANT REPAIRS THAT NEED TO BE DONE BEFORE WE GET INTO THE SUMMER MONTHS. KIRK BYNUM WITH BRANNON ENGINEERING SPOKE TO COUNCIL. HE FEELS THE NUMBERS ARE A LITTLE HIGH AND RECOMMENDS TO CHECK WITH WEISINGER FOR A SECOND LOOK. RICK THELEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE EMERGENCY REPAIR EXPENDITURE FOR WELL # 4 UPTO \$160,000.00. SECOND BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. RECORD OF

VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-5 DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO CALL AND ORDER THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR MAY 1, 2021, TO ELECT POSITIONS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL PLACE 2. MICHELLE WIESE, CITY SECRETARY, STATED THIS IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO ORDER AND CALL THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION. GINGER SIMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION FOR MAY 1, 2021 FOR ELECTION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL PLACE 2. THE LOCATION OF ELECTION TO BE DETERMINED BY SMITH COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE. SECOND BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-6 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADD INTERACTIVE VOICE RESPONSE AND TYLER OUTPUT PROCESSOR SERVER TO THE INCODE SOFTWARE TO ALLOW FOR ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR CUSTOMER TO RECEIVE AND PAY UTILITY BILLS FOR 5,715 PLUS A MAINTENANCE FEE OF 1,169 PER YEAR. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THE CITY IS LOOKING FOR OTHER WAYS TO GET CUSTOMERS NOTIFIED REGARDING THEIR WATER BILLS. WE CURRENTLY ONLY USE THE MAIL. SOMETIMES PEOPLE HAVE PROBLEMS GETTING MAIL. THIS ALLOWS US TO GIVE THEM OTHER OPTIONS TO RECEIVE WATER BILLS BY EMAIL AND ALSO ALLOWS THEM TO CALL IN TO PAY THEIR WATER BILL OVER THE PHONE OR CHECK THEIR WATER BILL BALANCE ON A 24/7 BASIS. THEY WOULD HAVE TO USE THEIR COMPUTER OR INTERNET ON THEIR PHONE. THIS WILL ALSO ALLOW THE CITY TO TEXT THEM. THE FEE TO PAY OVER PHONE IS \$1.25 OR IF THEY PAY ONLINE THERE IS \$2.00 CONVENIENCE FEE. THIS WILL ALSO ALLOW THE CITY TO EMAIL EMPLOYEES THEIR PAY STUBS INSTEAD OF PRINTING THEM OUT. BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TO ADD INTERACTIVE VOICE RESPONSE AND TYLER OUTPUT PROCESSOR SERVER TO THE INCODE SOFTWARE. SECOND BY GINGER SIMS. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-7 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE LOGO TO BE PLACED ON THE DOWNTOWN WATER TOWER AND LIGHTING. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED WE ARE GETTING READY TO GO OUT TO BID ON THE DOWNTOWN WATER TOWER. WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED WHAT WE WANT ON THE TOWER. DO WE WANT LINDALE CITY LOGO, OR BLACKBERRIES? MAYOR DAUGHERTY SUGGESTED MAYBE APPOINT A COUPLE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO COME UP WITH SOME IDEAS AND SOME DIRECTION AND BRING BACK TO COUNCIL. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THIS IS GETTING READY TO GO OUT TO BID SO THE TANKS CAN BE PAINTED BEFORE SUMMERTIME. DISCUSSION AMONG COUNCIL MEMBERS ON WATER TOWER OPTIONS: COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO SEE OPTIONS WITH LINDALE IN BIG BLOCK LETTERING IN TWO DIRECTIONS WITH BLACKBERRIES IN BETWEEN THE LINDALE LETTERING POSITIONED WHERE IT CAN BE SEEN WHEN TRAVELING HWY 69 AND CAN BE SEEN FROM THE PARK. BRYAN SUMMERVILLE MADE A MOTION TO TABLE. SECOND BY RICK THELEN. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO TABLE ITEM.

C-8 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADD AN INFORMATION OFFICER POSITION FOR THE CITY OF LINDALE. MAYOR DAUGHERTY ADDRESSED COUNCIL ABOUT ADDING AN INFORMATION OFFICER. THIS WOULD HELP INFORM THE COMMUNITY ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE CITY AND GIVE FACTUAL INFORMATION OF WHAT IS HAPPENING AND GOING ON IN THE CITY. THERE ARE MANY OTHER CITIES, CORPORATIONS, AND SCHOOLS THAT HAVE AN INFORMATION OFFICER. COUNCIL MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE POSITION AND AGREE THIS POSITION COULD HELP KEEP THE COMMUNITY INFORMED. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED SHE WOULD GET A JOB DESCRIPTION AND SALARY INFORMATION FOR AN INFORMATION OFFICER AND BRING BACK TO THE COUNCIL. GINGER SIMS MADE A MOTION TO TABLE AND BRING BACK INFORMATION. SECOND BY BOB TARDIFF. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO TABLE ITEM.

C-9 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE FINAL DESIGN AND LAYOUT OF COMMUNITY CENTER AND GOING OUT TO BID. CAROLYN CALDWELL, CITY MANAGER, STATED THEY WOULD LIKE MORE TIME TO GO OVER THE PRELIMINARY NUMBERS AND WOULD LIKE TO TABLE THIS ITEM. RICK THELEN MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THE ITEM. SECOND BY BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO TABLE ITEM.

C-10 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 1, 2020 AND

C-11 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2020 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORT. DAVID CRAFT, FINANCIAL DIRECTOR, STATED OUR SALES TAX CONTINUES TO DO WELL. WE ARE UP OVER THE SAME TIME FRAME LAST YEAR. BUILDING PERMITS HAVE ALREADY REACHED 45% OF BUDGET AT THE END OF FIRST QUARTER. FINES ARE ON TRACK WITH OVER 25% COLLECTED OF THE BUDGETED AMOUNT. WATER SALES ARE DOING WELL AND HAVE COLLECTED 32% OF THE BUDGETED AMOUNT. RICK THELEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2020 EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORT. SECOND BY BOB TARDIFF. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, GINGER SIMS FOR, BOB TARDIFF FOR, AND BRYAN SUMMERVILLE FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-12 CITIZEN TALK TIME: NONE

C-13 REPORTS: CITY COUNCIL, CITY MGR., CITY STAFF (NO DISCUSSION, INFORMATION UPDATE ONLY. NONE.

D. ADJOURNMENT. 6:54 P.M.


MICHELLE WIESE, CITY SECRETARY


JEFF D. DAUGHERTY, MAYOR

