

CALLLED MEETING  
LINDALE CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022  
CITY HALL, 105 BALLARD DRIVE

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR JEFF DAUGHERTY

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT RICK THELEN, YVETTE MARTIN, GINGER SIMS, BOB TARDIFF.

COUNCIL MEMBER ABSENT: BRYAN SUMMERVILLE.

CITY ATTORNEY GLEN PATRICK PRESENT.


PASTOR TOM BUCK SAID THE INVOCATION AND MAYOR DAUGHERTY LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

**D-1 PUBLIC HEARING ON CITIZEN INITIATIVE PETITION FOR ORDINANCE OUTLAWING ABORTION, DECLARING LINDALE A SANCTUARY CITY FOR THE UNBORN.** COUNCIL ENTERED INTO A PUBLIC HEARING 6:02 P.M. CITIZENS THAT SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE: RAY LEWIS, LAUREL MAYNARD, DAVID HICKS SR., LARRY, AND JACKIE MCFADDEN, LORAH RAY, MARY ANN WILLIFORD, TRENT MCDONALD, JANA MOORE, TREVA WILCOX, BENNY DUNCAN, ANN ABRAMEIT, PAUL FANCHER, MIKE SUBLETTE, JOSE TRASANCOS, LARRY HURT, STACY TRASANCOS, CINDY WARD, SUE HAINES, PASTOR TOM BUCK, MELANIE WALLACE, MARK LEE DICKSON, AND JOYCE RHODES. COUNCILMAN BOB TARDIFF ADDRESSED MARK LEE DICKSON REGARDING SECTIONS OF THE ORDINANCE: SECTION 132.03 ABORTION COVERAGE PROHIBITED IN EMPLOYER-PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE OR BENEFITS, SECTION 132.04 ABORTIONS PERFORMED OUTSIDE LINDALE, TEXAS. COUNCILMAN TARDIFF EXPRESSED HE HAD A PROBLEM PASSING THE ORDINANCE THAT WOULD IMMEDIATELY PUT THE CITY, SCHOOLS, AND OTHER BUSINESSES IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE AND COULD RESULT IN BEING FINED. OTHER PARTS OF ORDINANCE DISCUSSED WAS HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS. THERE IS NO POSSIBLE WAY TO TRACK AND KNOW WHAT A PERSON IS SPENDING IN THEIR HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT. SECTION 132.04 ABORTIONS PERFORMED OUTSIDE LINDALE, TEXAS IF A LINDALE RESIDENT TRAVELED OUTSIDE OF LINDALE TO ANOTHER STATE TO HAVE AN ABORTION. THE DOCTOR PERFORMING THE ABORTION WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE. THERE IS NO WAY FOR THE DOCTOR IN ANOTHER STATE TO KNOW HE WAS IN VIOLATION OF THE CITY OF LINDALE ORDINANCE. MARK LEE DICKSON SPOKE AND ADDRESSED QUESTIONS. HE STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CALL TO THEIR ATTORNEY. MAYOR DAUGHERTY CALLED FOR A 15 MINUTE **BREAK 8:21 P.M.** THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED THEY WERE EXTENDING THE BREAK. THE MAYOR, COUNCILMAN TARDIFF AND CITY ATTORNEY MET WITH MARK LEE DICKSON, AND PETITON COMMITTEE. COUNCIL **ENTERED BACK INTO PUBLIC HEARING SESSION 9:06 P.M.** MARK LEE DICKSON STATED HE SPOKE WITH THEIR ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL CONCERNING INSURANCE PROVISIONS AND MAKING AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE AND REMOVING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ORDINANCE. THE COMMITTEE OF PETITIONERS ARE GOOD WITH THE AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE ORDINANCE. AT 9:09 PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED BEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS.

**D-2 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CITIZEN INITIATIVE PETITION FOR ORDINANCE OUTLAWING ABORTION, DECLARING LINDALE A CITY FOR THE UNBORN.** MARK LEE DICKSON SPOKE ON AGREED CHANGES TO BE MADE TO THE ORDINANCE. SECTION 132.03 ABORTION COVERAGE PROHIBITED IN EMPLOYER-PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE OR BENEFITS TO BE COMPLETELY REMOVED FROM ORDINANCE IT WOULD STILL PROHIBIT ABORTION WITHIN THE CITY OF LINDALE. REMOVE SECTION 132.04 ABORTION PERFORMED OUTSIDE LINDALE, TEXAS. CITY ATTORNEY GLEN PATRICK, STATED IN REFERENCES OF INSURANCE THERE WERE SECTIONS TO BE REMOVED IN SECTION 132.03, SECTION 132.04, AND SECTION 132.05. THE COMMITTEE PETITIONERS: JANNA MOORE, CAROLE RAPP, LYNN WALTERS, AND TESHIA MARSH EACH ADDRESSED COUNCIL AND AGREE TO THE PROPOSED CHANGES MADE TO THE ORDINANCE. COUNCILMAN BOB TARDIFF MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT CHANGES TO THE ORDINANCE AND DECLARE LINDALE A SANCTUARY CITY FOR THE UNBORN. SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN GINGER SIMS. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR. RECORD OF VOTE RICK THELEN FOR, YVETTE MARTIN FOR, AND GINGER SIMS FOR, AND BOB TARDIFF FOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. ADJOURNMENT. 9:21 P.M.

  
MICHELLE WIESE, CITY SECRETARY

  
JEFF DAUGHERTY, MAYOR