REGULAR MEETING
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL  FEBRUARY 19, 2019  6:30 P.M.

CLARK LIBRARY ANNEX-COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 217 SOUTH MAIN STREET, 3rd FLOOR,
LOCKHART, TEXAS

Council present:  Mayor Lew White
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez  Councilmember John Castillo
Councilmember Juan Mendoza  Councilmember Kara McGregor
Councilmember Jeffry Michelson  Councilmember Brad Westmoreland

Staff present:
Steve Lewis, City Manager  Connie Constancio, City Secretary
Sean Kelley, Public Works Director  Dan Gibson, City Planner
Rob Tobias, Economic Development Director  Ernesto Pedraza, Police Chief
Bertha Martinez, Library Director  Chris Sager, Parks Manager
John Roescher, Police Captain

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: Tim Condon and Matt Johnson of the Lockhart Hospital; Darrell Nichols of GBRA; Abel DeLaCruz and Stella Rojas of the Lockhart Little League; Citizens: Kris Krueger, Rebecca Allen, Wendy Dearing, Pete Mireles, James Morales, Miguel Zuniga, Rick Johnson, Bobby Herzog, Parind Vora, Aline Wallace, Ronda Reagan, Connolly Covert, Mike Hollifield, and Cynthia Alvarecz.

Work Session  6:30 p.m.
Mayor White opened the work session and advised the Council, staff and the audience that staff would provide information and explanations about the following items:

PRESENTATION ONLY
A. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 22, 2019 AS “PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON DAY” IN HONOR OF HIS BIRTHDAY.
Mayor White presented the proclamation to Kris Krueger of the Sons of the American Revolution's William Hightower Chapter.

DISCUSSION ONLY
A. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE REGARDING THE LOCKHART HOSPITAL.
Mr. Tobias provided a brief summary about the Lockhart Hospital.

Tim Condon introduced Matt Johnson as the representative to give the update.

Matt Johnson of the proposed Lockhart Hospital stated that they began with their first facility in San Antonio. He stated that their first plan was to build an emergency center but after realizing how much growth is coming to Lockhart, they decided to build a hospital. He provided details about the hospital and the building plans. There was discussion regarding the steps to follow to proceed with the hospital.
Mayor White stated that staff planned to wait on improvements to City Line Road until the permitting process for the new hospital was finalized and approved for funding. There was discussion regarding the treatment options that the hospital would offer to patients. All treatment options would be available except for an obstetrician-gynecologist.

Mayo White requested corrections to the minutes. There were none.

C. DISCUSS ORDINANCE 2019-03 AMENDING LOCKHART CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE V, FINANCE, ADDING SUBSECTION 2-279(C) PROVIDING FOR ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS (ACH – AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE) AS A FORM OF PAYMENT.
Mr. Lewis stated that currently, the city will accept payment in the form of cash; checks drawn on personal, business, and organizational accounts; certified checks and money orders; and credit cards. This subsection will add electronic fund transfers as a form of payment accepted by the City of Lockhart. This is for any future clarification and/or dispute on the description of payments accepted by the City. Mr. Lewis requested approval.

D. DISCUSS MODIFICATIONS TO THE LOCKHART MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FIXED BASED OPERATOR LEASE AGREEMENT FROM MR. STANLEY MARTIN TO MARTIN & MARTIN AVIATION, LLC COMPRISED OF KEITH UHLS AND REINE SMITH AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE, IF APPROVED.
Mr. Kelley stated that Stanley Martin has been the Fixed Base Operator (FBO) for many years at the Lockhart Municipal Airport. Mr. Martin desires to assign his ground lease to Martin & Martin Aviation, LLC comprised of Keith Uhls and Reine (Ken) Smith. The current Assignment of Lease Agreement expires on October 31, 2020. On September 18, 2018, an Assignment of Lease was approved by the Council with a third member, John Cyrer, who thereafter decided not to be a member of Martin & Martin Aviation, LLC. The remaining two members of Martin & Martin Aviation are still interested in serving as the FBO for the Lockhart Municipal Airport. There was discussion.

E. DISCUSS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WI-FI HOTSPOT LENDING POLICY AT THE LIBRARY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD.
Ms. Martinez stated that the Library is proposing the implementation of a Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending Policy. This policy will set the rules and conditions to checkout a Wi-Fi mobile hotspot. Library patrons may borrow one of the mobile Wi-Fi hotspots to receive internet access on the go or at home. Mobile hotspots may be borrowed for up to seven consecutive days at a time and may be renewed once for an additional seven days, provided there are no holds on a waiting list. These convenient mobile hotspots allow users to connect 15 devices to the internet with no limitation on data. The Library Advisory Board met on February 13, 2019 and voted to recommend approval of the policy, as presented. There was discussion.

Council members commended the Library staff for offering the Wi-Fi hotspot lending program.

F. DISCUSS THE 2018 RACIAL PROFILING REPORT.
Chief Pedraza provided the racial profiling report that outlined the collection of information for 2018 relating to motor vehicle stops in which a ticket, citation, or warning was issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops. The report was submitted to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE), as required by TCOLE. There was discussion.
G. DISCUSS THE LOCKHART WATER PLANT AS THE CITY’S FINISHED WATER DELIVERY POINT, AS PART OF THE GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY (GBRA) CARRIZO GROUNDWATER SUPPLY PROJECT.

Mr. Kelley stated that the GBRA/Alliance have requested commitment to one delivery point within our system so that land acquisitions can be kept on schedule and further hydraulic analysis can be made. Staff and GBRA came up with four options for delivery points in the City’s system. Staff compared the advantages and disadvantages of all the options and concluded that delivering the finished water to the Lockhart Water Plant is the best option. All the cost to bring the water supply line to the plant up to the flow meter will be rolled into the complete cost of the Carrizo Groundwater Supply Project. GBRA will also be responsible for the land acquisition to bring the water for infrastructure after the flow meter. This option will utilize existing infrastructure and reduce additional operation and maintenance costs. Mr. Kelley stated that staff and Charles Scheler of TRC Engineers recommend approval.

Darrell Nichols of GBRA stated that the route of the line was not known during previous conversations with staff. He stated that GBRA would absorb the cost for infrastructure to the treatment plant where the meter is located. Other options would require the city to build additional infrastructure to receive the water and then pump it into the system.

H. DISCUSS ORDINANCE 2019-05 AMENDING CHAPTER 62, “VEHICLES FOR HIRE” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING ARTICLE IV “HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES” TO REGULATE THE USE OF SUCH CARRIAGES.

Mr. Kelley stated that the City has been approached regarding horse drawn carriage services during Christmas events. Because there were no regulations, the carriage services have not been offered to the public during previous events. He provided information about the proposed regulations for horse drawn carriage services. He stated that a mobile veterinarian reviewed the ordinance and provided a few amendments, which were handed out to Council for review.

Mr. Lewis clarified that the horse carriage ordinance allows for the services anytime throughout the year; not only during Christmas. Approved permits are valid for one year.

Rebecca Allen, 515 Wichita, stated that she did not believe that the streets are large enough to accommodate the horse carriages and that it is dangerous for both the animals and people because the festivities are loud and crowded. She spoke against allowing horse carriage services in the city limits.

Wendy Dearing, 508 Maple, spoke against the horse carriage service in the city limits because of the danger to the animals; such as hot asphalt and a loud environment. She stated that many cities are banning horse carriage services.

I. DISCUSS POSSIBLE FORMATION OF A NEW AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE THE BRANDING AND WAYFINDING PLAN, AND CONSIDER FUTURE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Gibson stated that the Council made a decision regarding the new City logo, except for the colors to be used. That, along with one or more tag lines, is essentially the “Brand”. The next step in the Branding and Wayfinding Plan process is to focus on the wayfinding part, which is the creation and location of signage throughout the community that provides directions to various destinations. Since the original committee was disbanded, the Council may wish to consider appointment of a new committee to complete the plan.
There was discussion regarding the steps to take in appointing the new committee. It was suggested that specific guidelines be created to direct the committee on their charge, and that the committee update the Council at least every month. There was discussion about having less than seven members on the committee, and whether it could be an informal committee working independently and without necessarily complying with the Open Meetings Act. City manager Steven Lewis stated that if the Council chose that option, staff support would have to be very limited.

J. DISCUSS POSSIBLE REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE USE OF THE PUBLIC SIDEWALKS IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR OBJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH ABUTTING BUSINESSES SUCH AS BENCHES, CHAIRS AND TABLES, CLOTHING RACKS, PORTABLE STATUES, SIGNS, AND OTHER PROMOTIONAL ITEMS.

Mayor stated that he has talked with the downtown merchants and there seems to be a need of using the sidewalks for their business. There are concerns about using the public right-of-way for private businesses and about the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations, if the sidewalks are used by private businesses.

Mr. Gibson stated that staff conducted a survey of other cities about how they regulate the private use of public downtown sidewalks. The City currently controls the public streetscape, which consists of planters, benches, and trash cans belonging to the City and located in the public right-of-way. However, there are currently no standards for items placed by businesses on the public sidewalks downtown other than a requirement that a minimum of three feet remain unobstructed for pedestrian traffic. Some cities utilize a permitting process to regulate privately-owned obstructions on public sidewalks.

There was discussion regarding several areas in the downtown district where businesses utilize the sidewalks for private business, such as placing clothing racks or tables with items for sale that might be a tripping hazard or a violation of the ADA regulations that could be a liability issue for the City. There was also discussion regarding portable signs on the sidewalk. Mr. Gibson clarified that portable signs are allowed on commercial private property, and that they are required to be taken inside the building at the close of business daily. However, the sign ordinance currently prohibits private signs in the public right-of-way.

Mayor White suggested that staff return with a proposed ordinance requiring a permit for using the sidewalk to conduct business. Downtown business owners will be invited to a public hearing that will be held to discuss the ordinance and a possible permitting process.

K. DISCUSSION REGARDING OPEN CONTAINERS DURING DOWNTOWN EVENTS.

There was discussion regarding allowing open containers during downtown events that are city co-sponsored.

After discussion, the Council directed staff to return with an ordinance or policy to allow open containers on sidewalks and/or public streets during city co-sponsored events in the downtown district.
L. DISCUSSION REGARDING REQUEST THAT THE KIWANIS FIELD BECOME THE MARK A. MARTINEZ FIELD, WHICH INCLUDES THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW SCOREBOARD AT THE LOCKHART LITTLE LEAGUE SPORTS COMPLEX DEDICATED IN HONOR OF THE LATE MARK A. MARTINEZ.

Pete Mireles of the Class of 1989 requested that the Council consider renaming the Kiwanis Field to the Mark A. Martinez Field. He stated that the late Mark Martinez was devoted to the community, the children and the game.

James Morales also spoke about Mark Martinez's dedication to the community, children and the game. He stated that they are requesting renaming the Kiwanis Field in Mark’s memory and honor. The Class of '89 will donate the new scoreboard.

There was discussion regarding the Parks Advisory Board considering the request and making a recommendation to the Council.

Abel DeLaCruz, Kiwanis member and of the Lockhart Little League Board, and Stella Mendez of the Lockhart Little League (LLL) Board, stated that the Kiwanis Club has donated to the Little League for years and that they are opposed to renaming their field to the Mark A. Martinez Field. The LLL Board voted unanimously against renaming the Kiwanis Field to the Mark A. Martinez Field. He stated that even though they agree that Mark Martinez was dedicated to the community, children and the game, they believed that it was best to present a proclamation in Mr. Martinez's honor during opening day. The LLL Board request that the fields remain as currently named. Mr. DeLaCruz stated that the LLL voted to recommend that a wall of honor be considered to acknowledge Mr. Martinez as well as a countless number of other LLL supportive and dedicated individuals.

There was discussion regarding the agreement between the City of Lockhart and the Lockhart Little League, which indicates that the Parks Advisory Board should review requests to make a recommendation to the Council.

There was discussion.

Mayor White suggested that the Class of 1989 take the proposal to the Parks Advisory Board to make a recommendation to the Council at a future meeting.

RECESS: Mayor White announced that the Council would recess for a break at 9:15 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.
Mayor Lew White called the regular meeting to order at 9:30 p.m.

ITEM 2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
Councilmember Castillo gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

ITEM 3. CITIZENS/VISITORS COMMENTS.
Mayor White requested citizens to address the Council.
Miguel Zuniga, 1105 and 1107 Braden Street, expressed concern about how narrow Braden Street is and stated that he is concerned about the inability of public safety vehicles to get to a home on the street. He requested that the city widen Braden Street. Mayor White requested staff to visit with Mr. Zuniga about his concern.

Rick Johnson, Citizen, stated that the Water Alliance Group is seeking access to his property for 18 months to conduct research without permission and by eminent domain without compensation. After his many efforts to contact the alliance company to obtain facts about their research and the legality of their using his property, he has not been able to get in touch with anyone nor to speak with anyone. He requested that the Water Alliance Group return to the Lockhart City Council to conduct a forum to allow questions and answers with the citizens.

ITEM 4-A. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE REGARDING THE LOCKHART HOSPITAL.
Mayor White announced that the update was made during the work session.

ITEM 5-A. HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY THE LOCKHART DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, INC., OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION’S APPROVAL DENIAL OF SUP-19-03, AN APPLICATION BY MICHAEL HOLLIFIELD ON BEHALF OF CYNTHIA ALVAREZ FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CHURCH ON PART OF LOTS 4 AND 5, BLOCK 23, ORIGINAL TOWN OF LOCKHART, CONSISTING OF 0.18 ACRE ZONED CCB COMMERCIAL CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 115 NORTH COMMERCE STREET.
Mayor White announced that there was a typographical error on the agenda. After consulting with the City Attorney, he indicated that because the applicant agreed to proceed, and because the notices to the property owners and the publication in the newspaper were correct, it was sufficient to announce the correction that the public hearing is to consider an appeal of the Planning and Zoning Commission’s “approval” of SUP-19-03, not the Planning and Zoning Commission’s “denial” of SUP-19-03.

Mayor White opened the public hearing at 9:41 p.m. and requested the staff report.

Mr. Gibson stated that the CCB district allows a variety of commercial uses by-right such as offices, retail, and restaurants, but churches require approval of a specific use permit by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The same applicant previously required a change in zoning for the property from CHB to CCB, and it was approved by the City Council on December 18, 2018. The proposed church will have a seating capacity of 120 in the sanctuary, and will operate only on Sunday mornings. Off-street parking is not required in the CCB District, but adequate on-street parking is available on Sunday mornings. Concerns have previously been expressed that churches occupying commercial buildings are not the most productive use of space in the district, and that other uses operating for more days during the week and generating tax revenue should be encouraged. However, the subject building has been vacant for many years so the proposed church would not be subtracting from the number of business locations already in use in the downtown area. Another concern has been that churches automatically create a 300-foot buffer zone within which new establishments cannot serve alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption. However, the City Council recently amended that ordinance to exempt such businesses located within the CCB Commercial Central Business District. The Council may uphold, modify, or reverse the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission.
Mayor White requested the following to address the Council:

Bobby Herzog of the Lockhart Downtown Business Association (DBA), 1201 Rio Vista Cove, stated that the DBA was looking for smart growth. He stated that they believe that the building should be a business rather than a Church.

Parind Vora, 119 E. San Antonio Street, spoke against the Church at the location because it would cause a burden with alcohol beverage license renewals. He believed that the building should be utilized by a business. Another issue would be parking; because a church would hinder parking for the existing restaurants in the downtown area.

Ailene Wallace, First Presbyterian Church, spoke against another church locating in the area due to the lack of adequate parking.

Ronda Reagan, 412 W. San Antonio Street and of the DBA, also spoke against the church locating in the area. She stated that the area is a commercial district, which does not include a church.

Connolly Covert, Austin, spoke against the church and preferred that a commercial business occupy the building.

Mayor White requested citizens to speak in favor of the appeal.

Mike Hollifield, applicant, requested that the Council uphold the Planning and Zoning Commission’s approval of the specific use permit. He stated that their congregation would like to continue to be a part of the Lockhart community and that they would do their best to accommodate parking for the existing restaurants.

There was discussion.

Ronda Reagan stated that an alternative for the church could be to contact Pennington Funeral Home about using their building for church services.

Cynthia Alvarez, owner of the building, stated that she did not intend to rent the building, but decided to allow the church to lease the building because she believed that they would maintain it. She requested that the Council uphold the Planning and Zoning Commission’s approval of SUP-19-03.

There was discussion.

Mayor White requested additional citizens against the appeal to address the Council. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 10:32 p.m.

Councilmember Castillo said that he read about a Religious Land Act that he understood prohibits a church from being denied, for planning and zoning purposes, the right to rent or buy in a location. There was discussion.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to approve the appeal to deny SUP-19-03. Councilmember Michelson seconded.
There was discussion regarding the Act mentioned by Councilmember Castillo and about tabling the item until staff received the City Attorney’s opinion about the legality of the Act.

After discussion, Councilmember McGregor withdrew her motion and Councilmember Michelson withdrew the second to the motion.

Councilmember Castillo made a motion to table the item until the March 5, 2019 meeting. Councilmember McGregor seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-B. HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2019-04 AMENDING CHAPTER 36, OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS, SECTION 36-12, CURFEW IMPOSED AND SECTION 36-14, PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY.
Mayor White opened the public hearing at 10:45 p.m.

Chief Pedraza stated that State law requires, before the third anniversary of the date of adoption of a juvenile curfew ordinance and every third year thereafter, the governing body of the home-rule municipality to review, amend or abolish the juvenile curfew ordinance. The last review of Lockhart’s juvenile curfew ordinance was in April 2016, where both day and nighttime curfews were established. Staff proposes to amend the juvenile curfew ordinance to amend the daytime curfew from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. because the Lockhart Independent School District changed the student’s school scheduled hours to 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. effective August 2016. Changing the juvenile curfew would assist the Police Department with enforcing the juvenile curfew and Municipal Court with truancy cases.

Erin Westmoreland, Municipal Court Manager/Associate Judge, provided information regarding the number of juvenile curfew cases, truancy cases, and fines associated with those charges.

Mayor White requested citizens in favor of or against the ordinance to address the Council. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 10:50 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-04, as presented. Councilmember Castillo seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 6. CONSENT AGENDA.
Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez requested that 6F be pulled for discussion.

Councilmember Michelson made a motion to approve consent agenda items 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, and 6E. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

The following are the consent agenda items that were approved:

6B: Approve Ordinance 2019-03 amending Lockhart Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Article V, Finance, adding subsection 2-279(c) providing for electronic fund transfers (ACH – automated clearing house) as a form of payment.
6C: Approve modifications to the Lockhart Municipal Airport Fixed Based Operator Lease Agreement from Mr. Stanley Martin to Martin & Martin Aviation, LLC comprised of Keith Uhls and Reine Smith and approving the Mayor to sign the Assignment of Lease, if approved.

6D: Approve implementation of the Wi-Fi Hotspot Lending Policy at the Library as recommended by the Library Advisory Board.

6E: Approve the 2018 Racial Profiling Report.

ITEM 6F: APPROVE THE LOCKHART WATER PLANT AS THE CITY’S FINISHED WATER DELIVERY POINT, AS PART OF THE GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY (GBRA) CARRIZO GROUNDWATER SUPPLY PROJECT.

After discussion, it was determined that the item was not relevant to Rick Johnson’s request to address the Water Alliance Group.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the Lockhart Water Plant as the city’s finished water delivery point, as part of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Carrizo Groundwater Supply Project. Councilmember McGregor seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 7-A. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2019-05 AMENDING CHAPTER 62, “VEHICLES FOR HIRE” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING ARTICLE IV “HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGES” TO REGULATE THE USE OF SUCH CARRIAGES.

There was discussion.

Councilmember Castillo made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-05, as presented with corrections. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 7-B. DISCUSS POSSIBLE FORMATION OF A NEW AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE THE BRANDING AND WAYFINDING PLAN, AND CONSIDER FUTURE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE.

CONSENSUS: After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to direct staff to present guidelines for the committee, and that appointments be made at a future meeting.

ITEM 7-C. DISCUSS POSSIBLE REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE USE OF THE PUBLIC SIDEWALKS IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR OBJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH ABUTTING BUSINESSES SUCH AS BENCHES, CHAIRS AND TABLES, CLOTHING RACKS, PORTABLE STATUES, SIGNS, AND OTHER PROMOTIONAL ITEMS.

CONSENSUS: After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to direct staff to draft an ordinance for Council’s consideration.

ITEM 7-D. DISCUSSION REGARDING OPEN CONTAINERS DURING DOWNTOWN EVENTS.

CONSENSUS: After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to direct staff to draft an ordinance for Council’s consideration that would include open containers allowed downtown during city cosponsored events and at the Council’s discretion.
ITEM 7-E. DISCUSSION REGARDING REQUEST THAT THE KIWANIS FIELD BECOME THE MARK A. MARTINEZ FIELD, WHICH INCLUDES THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW SCOREBOARD AT THE LOCKHART LITTLE LEAGUE SPORTS COMPLEX DEDICATED IN HONOR OF THE LATE MARK A. MARTINEZ.

CONSENSUS: After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to request that the Class of 1989 take the issue to the Parks Advisory Board for their consideration and recommendation to the Council.

ITEM 7-F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR COMMITTEES.

Mayor White requested appointments to boards or commissions. There were none.

ITEM 8. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT, PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION.

- Special meeting regarding Parks Master Plan on Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection event will be held on Saturday, March 2 at City Park from 9am until 12(noon). City will also have staff available at the Recycling Center from 8am-1pm to assist with items brought to the event that can be recycled.
- 2019 Residential Citywide Cleanup Program scheduled for April 3, 10, 17 and 24, depending on customer location.
- KidFish and Welcome Spring Day at City Park will be held on March 16 from 9am until 12(noon). Tolbert Chili Cookoff is also scheduled at City Park that weekend, March 15-16.
- Update relative to the Alliance Regional Water Utility (ARWA) and GBRA proposed groundwater treatment plant, groundwater assessments, and project schedule.
- Update received from Texas ProKart Race concerning a Kart Race event in Lockhart tentatively scheduled for March/April of 2020.
- Update on the competitive bidding process for Fire Station No. 2.
- Update from the recent public meeting with a Texas Historical Commission representative concerning historic preservation tax credits.
- Meadows at Clearfork Section II- Water and wastewater utilities have passed all required tests. Completion of the subdivision was set for April 2019, weather permitting.
- City’s contractor has completed laying 2,585 feet of 18-inch water main that runs alongside the SH130 Frontage north of West San Antonio Street. Plans for the new elevated water storage tank are nearing completion.
- Staff met with GBRA to discuss the Wastewater Plants Discharge Permit renewals. No changes are expected to our parameters; renewal applications will be filed in May 2019 with TCEQ. Our current permits expire in February 2020.
- The bid opening for the City Line Road Realignment Project was held on February 7th. Staff is finalizing the package and plans to bring this item to Council on March 5th.

ITEM 9. COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS – ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST.

Councilmember Westmoreland congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful 46th Annual Banquet. He expressed condolences to the family of Rick Schmidt for their loss.

Councilmember Mendoza congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful banquet. He also expressed condolences to the Schmidt family for their loss.
Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful banquet. She expressed condolences to the families of Rick Schmidt, Leann Albert, Dolores Gonzales, Nelda Seitz, and Billy Houston. She invited everyone to the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce banquet this Saturday. There was brief discussion about Braden Street.

Councilmember McGregor congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful banquet. She expressed condolences to those that have lost a loved one. She also thanked all that attended and participated in tonight’s meeting.

Councilmember Castillo expressed condolences to those that have lost loved ones. He congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful banquet and wished the Hispanic Chamber another successful banquet this weekend. He thanked employees for their work.

Councilmember Michelson congratulated the Progressive Club for their successful banquet. He expressed condolences to the Schmidt family for their loss.

Mayor White expressed condolences to the family of Rick Schmidt for their loss. He stated that the City Manager and he will meet with the Brock Cabin group to discuss their progress. He invited everyone to attend the KidFish and Welcome Spring Day scheduled for March 16 at the City Park.

**ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT.**
Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 5th day of March 2019.

CITY OF LOCKHART

Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie Constancio, TRMC
City Secretary

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