LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL
and
LOCKHART ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016
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 Jeffry Michelson
Councilmember Brad Westmoreland

Council absent:
Councilmember Benny Hilburn

Staff present:
Vance Rodgers, City Manager
Jeff Hinson, Finance Director
Connie Constancio, City Secretary
Dan Gibson, City Planner

Lockhart Economic Development Corporation members present:
Fermin Islas, Chair
Morris Alexander
Dyral Thomas
Bernie Rangel
Frank Estrada

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: Linda Hinkle of Hinkle Surveyors; Stella Rojas of Lockhart Little League; Martin Ritchey, Caldwell County Emergency Management; and Timoteo Juarez, Jr., Citizen.

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:

DISCUSSION ONLY
Mayor White requested corrections to the minutes. There were none.

B. DISCUSS ORDINANCE 2016-20 AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 48 – SOLID WASTE – TO DEFINE AND PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF RECEPTACLES; UPDATE DISPOSAL SITE RATES; CLARIFY METHODS OF COLLECTION; PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR BULKY/BUNDLED WASTE COLLECTION AND BRUSH CHIPPING; AND TO UPDATE RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLECTION FEES.
Mr. Rodgers stated that the ordinance amends portions of Chapter 48-Solid Waste, adding definitions, clarifying existing language, and stating the types of containers accepted for trash pickup services, restricting the amount of brush to be chipped by City per visit at a location, and disallowing the placement of brush in streets for brush chipping services for solid waste customers. Trash collection is a volume business. There are several residents that consistently put out one city approved trash cart and 5 or 6 other types of containers for collection of household garbage; besides the additional volumes of...
trash, the other type of containers are very difficult to handle because most of the time they have no wheels and the automatic loader on the garbage truck cannot be used; this often causes back injuries for those employees loading the trash hopper. There are also several residents that allow relatives and/or friends to bring their garbage from outside the City to their City residence tremendously increasing trash volumes. This is not fair to all the other customers that are abiding by the rules of collection. Regarding brush chipping, residents often cut or have contractors cut down large trees which ties up the chipper too long (sometimes days) at one location. The contractor should be removing the brush they are paid to cut. The proposed ordinance amendment restricts the chipper from chipping more than 12 cubic yards per visit at any one location. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval. There was discussion.

C. DISCUSS ORDINANCE 2016-21 CHANGING CERTAIN CITY ELECTION POLLING PLACES AND CHANGING THE HOURS OF EARLY VOTING FOR THE JOINT ELECTION OF THE CITY OF LOCKHART AND CALDWELL COUNTY TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016 IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE CONSOLIDATION OF PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACES BY CALDWELL COUNTY.

Ms. Constancio stated that the City Council approved Ordinance 2016-14 ordering the November 8, 2016 General Election on May 17, 2016. The Caldwell County Elections Administrator reported to staff that the polling location for City District 4 was changed from the First Lockhart Baptist Church Hall to the First Lockhart Connection Center and additional early voting dates and times were added at the Temporary Branch Early Voting location in Luling.

The ordinance being presented will amend the information to coincide with the polling locations and early voting dates and hours as approved by the Caldwell County Commissioners Court on August 22, 2016. Staff recommended approval.

D. DISCUSS INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CAPITAL AREA EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (CAECD) FOR GOODS AND SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DELIVERY OF 9-1-1 SERVICE OR THE PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT (PSAP) FOR THE CITY OF LOCKHART AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED $1,000, AND APPOINTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the CAECD provided goods and services for Lockhart’s 9-1-1 system. This is often referred to as the PSAP or Public Safety Answering Point. The cost is not to exceed $1,000 for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 period. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval.

E. DISCUSS AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF LOCKHART EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) AND SPECIALIZED BILLING & COLLECTION SYSTEMS OF TEXAS TO ENSURE THAT SPECIALIZED BILLING AND COLLECTION SYSTEMS OF TEXAS WILL APPROPRIATELY SAFEGUARD PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION CREATED, RECEIVED, MAINTAINED, OR TRANSMITTED ON THE BEHALF OF LOCKHART EMS IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS, AND APPOINTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE DOCUMENT IF APPROVED.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the agreement provides for a new requirement to help safeguard the personal health information of individuals using City of Lockhart EMS service. The agreement will assist in safeguarding information as protected by HIPPA law. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval. There was discussion.
F. DISCUSS CITY OF LOCKHART EMS COLLECTIONS AND WRITE-OFF POLICY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE RELATED BILLINGS, AND APPOINTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE POLICY IF APPROVED.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the City of Lockhart has an agreement with Specialized Billing & Collection Systems of Texas for billing and collection for EMS services. This proposed policy establishes guidelines for collections of billings and write-off of valid billings for EMS services provided due to hardship. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval. There was discussion.

G. DISCUSS AMBULANCE SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT PROGRAM SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH K&P ASSOCIATES, INC. DBA SPECIALIZED BILLING & COLLECTION SYSTEMS OF TEXAS WHEREBY THE COMPANY WILL BE EXCLUSIVELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSISTING IN PREPARATION OF, REVIEW, AND SUBMITTAL OF THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION (HHSC) RATE ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS AMBULANCE SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT PROGRAM (TASPP) AND APPOINTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT IF APPROVED, AND APPROVING THE CITY MANAGER'S LETTER TO HHSC IF PARTICIPATION IN THE TASPP IS APPROVED.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the Texas Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program (TASPP) offers EMS providers such as the City of Lockhart the potential opportunity to receive additional funds above the standard Medicaid rate to supplement EMS transport costs for Medicaid and uninsured patients. The proposed agreement allows the City of Lockhart EMS to participate in the program, if approved. Mr. Rodgers also referred to a letter to the Health and Human Services Commission requesting authorization to participate in the TASPP. He recommended approval. There was discussion.

H. DISCUSS RESOLUTION 2016-15 APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF LOCKHART, TEXAS.

Mr. Hinson stated that the Texas Public Funds Investment Act requires governing bodies of an investing entity to adopt and annually review a written investment policy and to approve any changes to the policy. Information about investment training was changed to the investment policy for 2016. There was discussion.

I. DISCUSS AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH FRESEE AND NICHOLS, INC., FOR CONSULTING SERVICES TO UPDATE THE IMPACT FEE LAND USE ASSUMPTIONS AND ROAD IMPACT FEE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN IT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY. [FORM 1295=2016-09-06-17]

Mr. Gibson stated that State law and City ordinance requires that the impact fee land use assumptions, capital improvement plans, and fees be updated every five years unless the City Council determines that such update is not necessary. The impact fees were initially adopted in 2002, and the last update was done in 2007. At the next five-year anniversary in 2012, the council determined that an update was not necessary due to little change in project priorities or construction costs. However, there has been a significant change in both since then, and on April 19, 2016, upon a recommendation from the Impact Fee Advisory Committee, the Council voted to direct staff to employ consultants to assist with the necessary updates for adoption in 2017. Although employed by other firms at the time of the last update, the same consultants are now with Freese and Nichols, Inc., and have proposed an Agreement for Professional Services to do the land use assumptions and road impact fee capital improvements plan (CIP). They are already familiar with our impact fee documents and ordinance, and propose a fee of
$40,925, which is less than the fee the City paid for the same services then years ago. The city engineer, Charles Scheler and his staff at TRC Engineering, will prepare the water and wastewater CIP’s concurrently with Freese and Nichols’ work on the road impact fee CIP, and prior to amending Chapter 31 “Impact Fees” of the Lockhart Code of Ordinances to adopt the new fees. The consultant fees will be paid from the current impact fee revenue accounts, as provided by State law. Mr. Gibson recommended approval. There was discussion.

J. DISCUSS APPEAL BY CRUZ REYNA OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION’S DENIAL OF A REQUESTED VARIANCE TO CHAPTER 52 “SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS”, ARTICLE III “DESIGN STANDARDS”, SECTION 52-77 “SIDEWALKS”, TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT TO CONSTRUCT A FOUR-FOOT WIDE PUBLIC SIDEWALK ALONG THE EXISTING STREET FRONTAGE OF REYNA ACRES, A SUBDIVISION CONSISTING OF TWO LOTS ON 4.972 ACRES ZONED RLD RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 1545 LOVER’S LANE.

Mr. Gibson stated that a subdivision plat was submitted to divide 4.972 acres along Lover’s Lane into two lots. The subdivision standards require construction of a four-foot wide public sidewalk along both sides of collector and arterial streets. Lover’s Lane in this location is designated on the Lockhart 2020 Thoroughfare Plan as a segment of a future arterial street. The owner agreed to dedicate his portion of the additional right-of-way needed for a future arterial street on the plat, but requested a variance to waive the requirement to construct the sidewalk along the property frontage. The Planning and Zoning Commission approved the plat, but denied the sidewalk variance and suggested that the owner still had the option of paying a fee in lieu of constructing the sidewalk as provided in Section 52-77(e)(2), which stated that the subdivider may, at the City’s discretion, pay a fee based upon an estimated cost per linear foot provided by the City, or by the subdivider’s engineer and accepted by the City. Our cost estimate, in today’s dollars, for constructing the 365.16 linear feet of sidewalk at $25.00 per linear foot is $9,129.00. Mr. Reyna is appealing the Commission’s denial of the variance and requests that the Council reverse their decision. Although the written appeal from Mr. Reyna mentions a previous plat where the Commission approved a similar variance in July for a plat at 820 North Blanco Street, the circumstances of that property and surrounding neighborhood were entirely different, and the variance could be justified on grounds that do not apply in this case.

There was discussion regarding the Commission’s recommendation.

Mayor White requested the applicant or a representative of the applicant to address the Council.

Linda Hinkle of Hinkle Surveyors spoke on behalf of the applicant. She spoke in favor of reversing the Planning and Zoning Commission’s recommendation and that the Council approve the variance to waive the requirement to construct a four-foot wide public sidewalk along the existing street frontage of Reyna Acres. She reminded the Council that Mr. Reyna dedicated 21 feet of the property to the city for the future road expansion of Lover’s Lane.

K. DISCUSS LOCKHART LITTLE LEAGUE (LLL) FIVE (5) YEAR CONTRACT RENEWAL REQUEST FOR USE OF THE CITY’S SPORTS COMPLEX FIELDS ON CARVER STREET.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the Lockhart Little League contract for use of the City’s Sports Complex fields will expire this month. Representatives of LLL and City staff met and discussed issues of common concern. A recommended final agreement was presented to the Parks Advisory Board for consideration of which they approved. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval of the five year contract renewal.
There was discussion about the use and maintenance of the sports complex.

Stella Rojas, President of the Lockhart Little League, thanked the Council for allowing the LLL to continue to use the sports complex.

L. DISCUSS PARKS ADVISORY BOARD PRIORITY GROUPING AND POSSIBLE PARKS IMPROVEMENTS.
Mr. Rodgers stated that the list of desired parks improvements was provided to the Parks Advisory Board for their input regarding priorities. The list included in the packet indicates the Board’s recommended priorities. There was discussion.

M. DISCUSS THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE (TML) REGION 10 MEETING HOSTED IN LOCKHART ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2016.
There was discussion about attendance, the meeting program and the schedule of events at the meeting.

RECESS: Mayor White announced that the Council would recess for a break at 7:50 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.
Mayor Lew White called the regular meeting of the Lockhart City Council to order on this date at 8:07 p.m.

Fermin Islas, Chair of the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) called the special meeting of the LEDC to order at 8:07 p.m.

ITEM 2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
Invocation - Ministerial Alliance.
Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

ITEM 3. CITIZENS/VISITORS COMMENTS.
Mayor White requested the following to address the Council:

Martin Ritchey, Caldwell County Emergency Management Coordinator, thanked various public safety personnel and entities, local organizations and the citizens of the community for their assistance during the balloon tragedy last month.

The Council thanked the Caldwell County Emergency response entities and public safety entities for their dedication to the community.

ITEM 4-A. HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE CITY OF LOCKHART AND LOCKHART ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 BUDGETS.
Mayor White opened the public hearing of the Lockhart City Council at 8:15 p.m.

Chairman Fermin Islas opened the public hearing of the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) at 8:15 p.m.
Mr. Hinson provided information and there was discussion about projected revenues and projected expenses for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budgets as listed below:

- General Fund
- Debt Service Fund
- Electric Utility Fund
- Water Utility Fund
- Wastewater Utility Fund
- Solid Waste Utility Fund
- Emergency Medical Services Fund
- Airport Fund
- Special Revenue Funds
- Capital and Miscellaneous Utility Funds
- Trust and Agency Funds
- Lockhart Economic Development Corporation’s Multi Year Financial Plan

Mr. Hinson announced that the vote on the budget would be held on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Clark Library Annex, Council Chambers, 217 South Main Street, 3rd Floor, Lockhart, Texas.

Mayor White requested the following to address the Council regarding the proposed budget:

Timoteo Juarez, Jr., 1203 Trinity, requested that the budget documents that are reviewed by the Council to be available as handouts during the meetings.

Mayor White requested additional citizens to address the Council. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 8:29 p.m.

Chairman Islas requested citizens to address the LEDC proposed budget. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 8:30 p.m.

**ITEM 4-B. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE LOCKHART ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION’S MULTI-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation’s (LEDC) Multi-Year Financial Plan. Councilmember Michelson seconded. There was discussion about inviting the Greater San Marcos Partnership to periodically hold their meetings in Lockhart. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

LEDC Member Bernie Rangel made a motion to approve the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation’s Multi-Year Financial Plan. LEDC Member Morris Alexander seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

LEDC Chairman Fermin Islas adjourned the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation’s meeting at 8:30 p.m.

**LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL CONTINUED THEIR MEETING**
ITEM 4-C. HOLD THE FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL IN THE PRECEDING YEAR BY 1.593239 PERCENT. ANNOUNCE THAT THE DATE OF THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED TAX INCREASE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M. AND THE VOTE ON THE BUDGET AND TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE CLARK LIBRARY ANNEX, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 217 SOUTH MAIN STREET, 3RD FLOOR, LOCKHART, TEXAS, 78644.

Mayor White opened the public hearing at 8:31 p.m.

Mr. Hinson provided information and there was discussion regarding the proposed tax rate as follows:

- Proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 1.593239 percent.
- The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Lockhart last year was $111,581. Based on last year’s tax rate of $0.733300 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was $818.22.
- The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Lockhart this year is $116,851. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of $0.721800 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be $843.43.
- If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of $0.733300 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be $856.87.
- The second public hearing regarding the proposed tax rate will be held on September 20, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Clark Library Annex, Council Chambers, 217 South Main Street, 3rd Floor, Lockhart, Texas.
- The vote on the proposed tax rate will be held on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Clark Library Annex, Council Chambers, 217 South Main Street, 3rd Floor, Lockhart, Texas.

Mayor White requested citizens to address the Council. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 8:33 p.m.

ITEM 5. CONSENT AGENDA.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve consent agenda items 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 5G, 5H, and 5I. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

The following are the consent agenda items that were approved:

5-A: Approve minutes of the City Council meeting of August 16, 2016.
5-B: Approve Ordinance 2016-20 amending portions of Chapter 48 – Solid Waste – to define and provide for the use of receptacles; update disposal site rates; clarify methods of collection; provide requirements for bulky/bundled waste collection and brush chipping; and to update residential, commercial and industrial collection fees.
5-C: Approve Ordinance 2016-21 changing certain City Election polling places and changing the hours of early voting for the Joint Election of the City of Lockhart and Caldwell County to be held on November 8, 2016 in order to comply with the consolidation of precincts and polling places by Caldwell County.
5-D: Approve Inter-local Agreement with Capital Area Emergency Communications District (CAECD) for goods and services associated with the delivery of 9-1-1 service or the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for the City of Lockhart at a cost not to exceed $1,000, and appointing the Mayor to sign the agreement.

5-E: Approve agreement between City of Lockhart Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Specialized Billing & Collection Systems of Texas to ensure that Specialized Billing and Collection Systems of Texas will appropriately safeguard protected health information created, received, maintained, or transmitted on the behalf of Lockhart EMS in compliance with State and Federal laws, and appointing the Mayor to sign the document if approved.

5-F: Approve City of Lockhart EMS Collections and Write-Off Policy for emergency medical service related billings, and appointing the Mayor to sign the policy if approved.

5-G: Approve Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program Services Agreement with K&P Associates, Inc. dba Specialized Billing & Collection Systems of Texas whereby the company will be exclusively responsible for assisting in preparation of, review, and submittal of the required documents to be submitted to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Rate Analysis Department for participation in the Texas Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program (TASPP) and appointing the Mayor to sign the agreement if approved, and approving the City Manager’s letter to HHSC if participation in the TASPP is approved.

5-H: Approve Resolution 2016-15 approving the Investment Policy for the City of Lockhart, Texas.

5-I: Approve Agreement for Professional Services with Freese and Nichols, Inc., for consulting services to update the impact fee land use assumptions and road impact fee capital improvements plan, and authorize the City Manager to sign it on behalf of the City. [Form 1295=2016-09-06-17]

ITEM 6-A. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY CRUZ REYNA OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION’S DENIAL OF A REQUESTED VARIANCE TO CHAPTER 52 “SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS”, ARTICLE III “DESIGN STANDARDS”, SECTION 52-77 “SIDEWALKS”, TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT TO CONSTRUCT A FOUR-FOOT WIDE PUBLIC SIDEWALK ALONG THE EXISTING STREET FRONTAGE OF REYNA ACRES, A SUBDIVISION CONSISTING OF TWO LOTS ON 4.972 ACRES ZONED RLD RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 1545 LOVER’S LANE.

Councilmember Castillo made a motion to reverse the Planning and Zoning Commission’s denial of the sidewalk variance and to approve a variance to Chapter 52 “Subdivision Regulations”, Article III “Design Standards”, Section 52-77 “Sidewalks”, to waive the requirement to construct a four-foot wide public sidewalk along the existing street frontage of Reyna Acres, a subdivision consisting of two lots on 4.972 acres zoned RLD Residential Low Density District and located at 1545 Lover’s Lane. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 5-1, with Mayor White opposing.

ITEM 6-B. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING LOCKHART LITTLE LEAGUE (LLL) FIVE (5) YEAR CONTRACT RENEWAL REQUEST FOR USE OF THE CITY’S SPORTS COMPLEX FIELDS ON CARVER STREET.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the Lockhart Little League five year contract renewal for use of the City’s Sports Complex fields on Carver Street. Councilmember Michelson seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

ITEM 6-C. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING PARKS ADVISORY BOARD PRIORITY GROUPING AND POSSIBLE PARKS IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Rodgers requested that the Council provide him with their prioritization list. There was discussion.
ITEM 6-D. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE (TML) REGION 10 MEETING HOSTED IN LOCKHART ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2016.
There was discussion about finalizing the program for the TML Region 10 meeting.

ITEM 6-E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR COMMITTEES.
Mayor White requested appointments to various boards, commissions or committees. There were none.

ITEM 6-F. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 PROPOSED BUDGET AND RELATED INFORMATION.
There was no discussion.

ITEM 6-G. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL BUDGETS AND FUNDING POSSIBILITIES.
There was no discussion.

ITEM 6-H. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING BUDGET AND TAX RATE ADOPTION CALENDAR, IF NECESSARY.
There was no discussion.

ITEM 7. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT, PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION.
- Update: US Hwy 183 expansion project, Hickory to Blackjack.
- Update: City Street Crew working surfacing of Old Kelley Road gravel section within the City Limits.
- Update: Major repairs to Water well #11, a major supplier of water to Lockhart, have started.
- Update: The siren system (5) poles and electric supplies are in place; the delay in installation and activation is due to a programming issue that is being addressed between American Signal Corporation and Motorola. A new FCC license is required.
- Update: Arbor Experts, the contracted tree trimming company, started work last week trimming limbs away from electric primary lines; locations are the City website plus residents being notified along each street before work begins; City right to trim trees that could interfere with electric service.
- Update: About 60% of the curb and gutter has been placed on the Richland Driver project.
- Update: A preconstruction meeting for the drainage work to be performed in the Mesquite, Braden, Wichita, and Vega Street areas was held on Tuesday, August 30, at 6 pm in the Glosserman Room at City Hall; letters were mailed to each area street resident about the meeting.
- Update: Final designs for Ash, Comal and Pine Street about complete to address drainage issues.
- Update: Library, Electric, and Parks Crews preparing for Evening with Authors event will be on Saturday, October 1.
- Update: Applications responding to advertisements for the Economic Development Director and Police Chief positions are being received; experience with 4A and 4B Economic Development Law (Sales Tax) and experience under Texas Civil Service Law highly preferred as part of the qualifications respectively for the positions.
- Update: City Manager answering Requests for Information (RFI) coming from Governor’s Office and other prospective businesses looking at Lockhart.
- Report: LISD Cross Country event held in City Park last weekend was big success; special thanks to Chris Sager and Parks Crew.
ITEM 8. COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS – ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST.
Councilmember Mendoza expressed condolences to the Branch family for their loss. He commended the Lockhart EMS and public safety departments for their service. He congratulated Coach Scott Hippensteel for his dedication in keeping the youth active in cross country activities.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez expressed condolences to the Branch family for their loss. She congratulated Seton for a successful “Taking Care of Tiny Texans Gala” and the Cross Country team for a successful event. The Hill Country Cook-off is looking for judges and requested citizens interested to inquire with her or Richard Anzaldua. Best wishes to the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for a successful Diez y Sies event to be hosted on September 16-17 in downtown Lockhart. She requested that citizens be aware of emergency vehicles that are responding to an emergency to ensure safety for all. She thanked citizens for donating and collecting items for the two families that lost their home in recent fires.

Councilmember Castillo thanked staff for their attendance at a meeting on August 30 about drainage improvements in District 2. He commended the new equipment installed at Pecos Park. He thanked Vance Rodgers for his hard work and dedication to the community.

Councilmember Michelson stated that Lockhart was been recently promoted in the Austin American Statesman and he invited tourists to visit Lockhart’ downtown square.

Mayor White thanked Coach Scott Hippensteel for working with our youth in the cross country sport. He wished the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce a successful Diez y Seis event on September 16-17. He also invited tourists to the downtown square in Lockhart to take part in the local businesses and entertainment.

ITEM 9. ADJOURNMENT.
Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 20th day of September 2016.

CITY OF LOCKHART

ATTEST:

Connie Constancio, TRMC
City Secretary