

**LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING**

**DECEMBER 5, 2017**

**6:30 P.M.**

**CLARK LIBRARY ANNEX-COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 217 SOUTH MAIN STREET, 3<sup>rd</sup> FLOOR,  
LOCKHART, TEXAS**

**Council present:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez  
Councilmember Juan Mendoza  
Councilmember Jeffry Michelson

Mayor Lew White  
Councilmember John Castillo  
Councilmember Kara McGregor  
Councilmember Brad Westmoreland

**Staff present:**

Vance Rodgers, City Manager  
Jeff Hinson, Finance Director

Connie Constancio, City Secretary  
Dan Gibson, City Planner

**Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council:** Benny and Linda Hilburn; and, Doug Spillman, Citizens; and, Tim Von Dohlen of the Lockhart Livestock Auction.

**PRESENTATION ONLY**

**A. PRESENTATION TO BENNY HILBURN THANKING HIM FOR HIS DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY WHILE SERVING ON THE LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL AS COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 3 FROM 2012 – 2017.**

Mayor White presented a plaque to Mr. Hilburn and thanked him for his dedication to the community and the Council during his tenure on the Lockhart City Council. Mr. Hilburn thanked his wife, the Council and staff for their support.

Mayor White announced that the Council would recess for refreshments in honor of Mr. Hilburn at 6:35 p.m.

Mayor White reconvened the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

**DISCUSSION ONLY**

**F. DISCUSS ALLOCATION OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAXES TO ENTITIES REQUESTING DISTRIBUTIONS FOR 2018.**

Mr. Hinson provided information about the allocation process. He recommended that the distribution be limited to the estimated hotel tax revenue not to exceed \$59,000. Once allocated, a contract will be signed by each entity and each will receive the lesser of the percentage or the estimated budgeted dollar amount of net funds actually received by the City from the local hotel occupancy tax as reported and collected from the hotels.

Mayor White requested comments from the Council.

Councilmember Westmoreland recommended to keep percentages the same as allocated last year.

Councilmember Mendoza recommended to keep percentages the same as allocated last year.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez recommended that hotel occupancy tax funds are not allocated and saved each year towards a community/convention center or something that will benefit the city as a whole.

Councilmember Michelson suggested that the two chambers work together to promote tourism and recommended that the percentages are allocated the same as last year.

Councilmember Castillo recommended that the percentages are allocated the same as last year.

Councilmember McGregor recommended that the percentages are allocated the same as last year.

Mayor White suggested that the two chambers get together to create goals that will benefit both entities. He commended Hat Rod Productions for their event that has increased tourism to Lockhart. Mayor White spoke in favor of allocating the percentages the same as last year.

There was discussion.

**G. DISCUSS AIRPORT PROPERTY LEASE RENEWAL CONCEPT POINT WITH LOCKHART LIVESTOCK AUCTION, INC.**

Mr. Rodgers stated that the Lockhart Livestock Auction has a current lease (\$4,000 annually) for airport property on which sits in the auction facility. The lease expires in November 2018. Owner representative, Tim Von Dohlen has provided a notice to renew the lease. The City Manager met with Mr. Von Dohlen of which Mr. Von Dohlen was informed that staff was going to recommend a ground lease rate of 18 cents per square foot of the building footprints (based on a survey of surrounding airports) with a 15 to 25 year lease and an optional lease extension which Mr. Von Dohlen felt they could live with. It is also recommended that an annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) percentage be applicable not to exceed 3%. The rate of 18 cents per square foot would increase the annual payment to approximately \$14,400 if approved. Mr. Von Dohlen has respectfully disagreed with the increase to 18 cents per square foot. Note that staff could not increase the rate previously because there were no contractual provisions for an increase. The Auction now pays about \$4,000 in City property tax on the buildings. When surveyed, other airport operations do not take the amount of City property tax paid into consideration when determining the ground lease rates. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval.

Mayor White requested Tim Von Dohlen to address the Council:

Tim Von Dohlen, 812 Merritt Drive, stated that he respectfully disagrees with the 18 cents per square foot increase to lease the facility for the Lockhart Livestock Auction. Mr. Von Dohlen stated that the lease would change to include approximately eight acres and that the lease would include the building and the pen space at the auction barn. He requested that a right of way easement is granted to be able to get to the building and the footprint of the property of approximately eight acres. He stated that the Lockhart auction pays \$18,000-\$20,000 in total property taxes which includes all taxing entities. He stated that after reviewing the lease comparison, he requested comparison of the value of the property between an airport rate versus an agriculture rate. He requested a lease rate less than the 18 cents increase or another way of establishing a lease whether it be a base rate plus the CPI or a gradual increase within a number of years which would not impact the Livestock Auction with an immediate lease increase by almost four times.

Mr. Rodgers stated that he based the 18 cents per square foot increase upon reviewing results of a recent appraisal and survey of the land that will be leased to the Lockhart Livestock Auction if approved. He stated that the city cannot issue the Livestock Auction exclusive rights to the unleased portion of the property, yet access easement agreements can be negotiated. The CPI would be reviewed annually. He reminded the Council that it would be difficult not to charge the average rate since the auction is a for profit business. There was discussion.

**A. DISCUSS MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16 AND NOVEMBER 21, 2017.**

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

**B. DISCUSS REQUEST THAT THE WALL OF REMEMBRANCE AND ETERNAL FOUNTAIN PROJECT DISCUSSION BE TABLED UNTIL THE JANUARY 2, 2018 COUNCIL MEETING SINCE ENGINEERING DRAWINGS WERE NOT PROVIDED TO STAFF TO STUDY IN ORDER TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL ABOUT THE PROPOSED PROJECT AS DIRECTED BY COUNCIL AT THE NOVEMBER 21, 2017 MEETING.**

There was no discussion.

**C. DISCUSS RENEWAL OF INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PLUM CREEK WATER PARTNERSHIP WHICH REQUIRES LOCKHART TO CONTRIBUTE \$2,686.00 ANNUALLY AS ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE FUNDING REQUIRED FOR THE COORDINATOR AND RELATED EXPENSES NECESSARY TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THAT POSITION TO IMPLEMENT THE PLUM CREEK WATERSHED PROTECTION PLAN, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT, IF APPROVED.**

Mr. Rodgers stated that several governmental entities have been involved with the program and that the contract has been in place for several years. Nick Dornak is the Coordinator with the Plum Creek Water Partnership (PCWP) and is charged with monitoring water quality. Each entity contributes to the annual fees. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval.

**D. DISCUSS CONFIRMATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEMBER REAPPOINTMENT OF MS. YOLANDA STREY FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY MANAGER.**

Mr. Rodgers stated that Ms. Strey has served on the commission for the past three years. According to Civil Service regulations, she can be reappointed for a second three-year term. Ms. Strey has graciously agreed to continue serving on the commission. Both the City Manager and Civil Service Director concur that she has been an asset to the Civil Service Commission and recommend approval.

**E. DISCUSS CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OF CHANGE ORDER #2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,431.00 AMENDING THE CURRENT CONTRACT TO \$797,318.50 WITH MA SMITH CONTRACTING CO., INC. TO CHANGE THE GRADE OF PAVING MATERIAL FROM TYPE C TO TYPE D TO IMPROVE SURFACE TEXTURE ON ASH, COMAL, AND PINE STREETS, AND APPOINTING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE CHANGE ORDER, IF APPROVED.**

Mr. Rodgers stated that the change from Type C surface material to Type D surface material will provide a better riding surface and workability during the placement during cooler weather. Sufficient funds are available to cover the change order. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval.

**H. DISCUSS REQUEST BY MR. GENE GALBRAITH TO DISPLAY THE DR. EUGENE CLARK LIBRARY ANTIQUE CLOCK AT THE NEW SOUTHWEST MUSEUM OF CLOCKS AND WATCHES LOCATION WITH A WRITTEN AGREEMENT THAT THE CLOCK REMAINS THE PROPERTY OF THE CITY, THAT MR. GALBRAITH PROVIDES SUFFICIENT INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE CLOCK NAMING THE CITY OF LOCKHART AS THE INSURED AND THAT AFTER ONE YEAR OF DISPLAY, THE CITY HAS THE RIGHT TO ISSUE A 30-DAY NOTICE TO RETURN IT TO THE CITY, AND APPOINTING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT, IF APPROVED.**

Mr. Rodgers stated that he recently discussed the aspects about the clock being temporarily housed at the Museum with Mr. Galbraith. In 2009, Mr. Galbraith received approval to temporarily display the Clark Library antique clock at the Southwest Museum of Clocks and Watches. If approved, an agreement outlining the conditions and any other conditions the Council might want will be prepared and reviewed by the City Attorney. The Library Advisory Board and Friends group had previously discussed and approved the temporary display. The display at the museum would acknowledge that the clock belongs to the Dr. Eugene Clark Library and would provide more exposure to the public. Because of the complexity of moving the clock, it was discussed at least one year of display be approved. However, after discussions with Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Rodgers recommended that the loan agreement contain the following: 1) a 10-year period; 2) language stating that if the museum closed, the clock would be returned to the City; 3) language that the clock would be insured with the City as the beneficiary if there was a loss; 4) a renewal clause; and, 5) after ten years the City could request return of the clock. If approved, the move would not take place until after the Dickens' in Lockhart event is over. The clock is currently on the second floor in the Library and is not visible to the public nor is it in working order. Mr. Rodgers recommended approval.

Councilmember McGregor stated that she would abstain from voting on the item due to a conflict of interest.

There was brief discussion.

**I. DISCUSS A JOINT MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M. WITH CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ABOUT POSSIBLE SUSTAINABLE PLACES PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AROUND THE COURTHOUSE.**

Mayor White stated that projects such as drainage improvements are planned to be updated in the downtown area in the near future that would involve the County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting would be to request the Caldwell County Commissioners' approval to proceed with infrastructure and road improvements surrounding the County Courthouse. The improvements are part of the Lockhart Sustainable Places Project.

**J. DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS WAYFINDING SIGNAGE AND COMMUNITY BRANDING.**

Mayor White stated that staff has been working on wayfinding signage and community branding for a while and it is time to begin the process of addressing these issues. The ad-hoc committee would make recommendations to the Council. Hiring a consulting firm has been explored yet an ad-hoc committee would consist of local citizens and business owners that are interested in these efforts and it would save from the high expense of a consulting firm. Mayor White suggested that each Councilmember appoint one member to the committee.

There was discussion.

**K. DISCUSS THE SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM OF THE LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 3.05 OF THE CITY CHARTER.**

Mayor White stated that Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez has commendably served in that capacity the past few years. He requested nominations during the regular meeting.

RECESS: Mayor White announced that the Council would recess for a break at 7:55 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 8:10 p.m.

**ITEM 2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Invocation – Mayor White

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

**ITEM 3. CITIZENS/VISITORS COMMENTS.**

Mayor White requested citizens to address the Council. There were none.

**ITEM 4-A. CONTINUE A PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION ZC-17-16 BY NARJISSE MEDHOUS, AND DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2017-44, FOR A ZONING CHANGE FROM RLD RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY DISTRICT TO RMD RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY DISTRICT ON LOT 18, BLOCK 6, PARKWAY SUBDIVISION, SECTION IV, LOCATED AT 1012 FANNIN STREET. [WITHDRAWN]**

Mayor White announced that the zoning change application was withdrawn.

**ITEM 4-B. HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND USE PLAN MAP (FIGURE 3.2) AND THOROUGHFARE PLAN MAP (FIGURE 4.9) OF THE LOCKHART 2020 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE REALIGNMENT AND RENAMING OF THE EXTENSION OF CITY LINE ROAD NORTH OF WEST SAN ANTONIO STREET (SH 142), THE EXTENSION OF NORTH MOCKINGBIRD LANE, AND THE EXTENSION OR REALIGNMENT OF SILENT VALLEY ROAD (FM 2001).**

Mayor White opened the public hearing at 8:15 p.m. and requested the staff report.

Mr. Gibson stated that staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommend amending the thoroughfare alignment and classification of the extension of City Line Road north of San Antonio Street, as well as changes to the intersection and alignment of the extensions of North Mockingbird Lane and Silent Valley Road as depicted on the Lockhart 2020 Land Use Plan map and Thoroughfare Plan map. The City is proposed to amend the Thoroughfare Plan map due to the necessary changes in the extension of City Line Road north of San Antonio Street on the current plan. Engineering work is already underway on the realignment of City Line Road south of San Antonio Street. The plat for The Stanton Development includes a short segment of the northern extension that will align with the relocated segment on the south side of San Antonio Street.

Mr. Gibson stated that proposed development would change the City Line Road extension north of San Antonio Street from an arterial to a collector street, and will redirect it to provide access to a currently landlocked parcel on the south side of the railroad. Because the City Line Road extension north of San Antonio Street will be reduced from an arterial to a collector street, and will ultimately go through future single-family residential areas west of the Windridge Subdivision, the name is proposed to be changed to Windsor Boulevard, as indicated on the plat for The Stanton Development. There was discussion regarding the segments of City Line Road south of San Antonio Street being changed to Windsor Boulevard.

Mr. Gibson presented four alternative thoroughfare alignments – A, B, C, and D and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of Option B.

Mayor White requested citizens in favor of the proposed amendment to address the Council.

Doug Spillman, 1701 Silent Valley Road, spoke in favor of proposed Option C, that was originally recommended by staff.

Mayor White requested citizens against the proposed amendment to address the Council. There were none. He closed the public hearing at 8:40 p.m.

**ITEM 4-C. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2017-21 OF THE CITY OF LOCKHART, TEXAS, AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN MAP (FIGURE 3.2) AND THOROUGHFARE PLAN MAP (FIGURE 4.9) OF THE LOCKHART 2020 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-21, with Option B as the amendment. Councilmember Michelson seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**ITEM 5. CONSENT AGENDA.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve consent agenda items 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, and 5E. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

The following are the consent agenda items that were approved:

- 5A: Approve minutes of the City Council meeting of November 16 and November 21, 2017.
- 5B: Approve request that the Wall of Remembrance and Eternal Fountain project discussion be tabled until the January 2, 2018 Council meeting since engineering drawings were not provided to staff to study in order to make a recommendation to the Council about the proposed project as directed by Council at the November 21, 2017 meeting.
- 5C: Approve renewal of inter-local agreement with the Plum Creek Water Partnership which requires Lockhart to contribute \$2,686.00 annually as its proportionate share of the funding required for the coordinator and related expenses necessary to perform the duties of that position to implement the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan, and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreement, if approved.
- 5D: Confirm Civil Service Commission member reappointment of Ms. Yolanda Strey for a three (3) year term as recommended by the City Manager.
- 5E: Approve City Manager's recommended Change Order #2 in the amount of \$3,431.00 amending the current contract to \$797,318.50 with MA Smith Contracting Co., Inc. to change the grade of paving material from Type C to Type D to improve surface texture on Ash, Comal, and Pine Streets, and appointing the Mayor to sign the change order, if approved.

**ITEM 6-B. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING AIRPORT PROPERTY LEASE RENEWAL CONCEPT POINT WITH LOCKHART LIVESTOCK AUCTION, INC.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the lease renewal concept point with Lockhart Livestock Auction, Inc. as recommended by the City Manager. The renewal lease would increase to 18 cents per square foot for the building footprints on the property, the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) not to exceed 3%, and a 15 to 25-year renewal lease as part of a lease document to be prepared in conjunction with Lockhart Livestock Auction representatives, City staff, and the City Attorney. The final document will be returned to the Council for consideration of approval. Councilmember Castillo seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**ITEM 6-A. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER ALLOCATION OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAXES TO ENTITIES REQUESTING DISTRIBUTIONS FOR 2018.**

Mr. Hinson stated that the Texas Attorney General has issued an opinion that indicates that a governmental entity ratifies the promotion of tourism and/or hotel/motel stays by each organization when allocating hotel occupancy funds. There was discussion regarding tourism efforts by the entities.

Councilmember Michelson made a motion to allocate funds as listed below with each organization receiving the lesser of the percentage or the estimated budgeted dollar amount up to \$59,000 of the hotel/motel occupancy tax as reported and collected from the hotels. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Caldwell County Museum	3.7% or \$4,000
Gaslight/Baker Theatre	13.8% or \$12,000
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	18.0% or \$59,800
Lockhart Chamber of Commerce	55.8% or \$35,000
Hat Rod Productions	8.70% or \$20,000

**ITEM 6-C. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING REQUEST BY MR. GENE GALBRAITH TO DISPLAY THE DR. EUGENE CLARK LIBRARY ANTIQUE CLOCK AT THE NEW SOUTHWEST MUSEUM OF CLOCKS AND WATCHES LOCATION WITH A WRITTEN AGREEMENT THAT THE CLOCK REMAINS THE PROPERTY OF THE CITY, THAT MR. GALBRAITH PROVIDES SUFFICIENT INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE CLOCK NAMING THE CITY OF LOCKHART AS THE INSURED AND THAT AFTER ONE YEAR OF DISPLAY, THE CITY HAS THE RIGHT TO ISSUE A 30-DAY NOTICE TO RETURN IT TO THE CITY, AND APPOINTING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT, IF APPROVED.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the request by Gene Galbraith, as presented. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded. The motion passed by a 6-0-1, with Councilmember McGregor abstaining.

**ITEM 6-D. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING A JOINT MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M. WITH CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ABOUT POSSIBLE SUSTAINABLE PLACES PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AROUND THE COURTHOUSE.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the joint meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with Caldwell County Commissioners' Court, as presented. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**ITEM 6-E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS WAYFINDING SIGNAGE AND COMMUNITY BRANDING.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve the appointment of an ad-hoc committee to address wayfinding signage and community branding. Councilmember Michelson seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-1, with Councilmember Castillo opposing.

Mayor White announced that each Councilmember will make their appointment to the ad-hoc committee during the next meeting.

**ITEM 6-F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM OF THE LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 3.05 OF THE CITY CHARTER.**

Councilmember Westmoreland made a motion to re-appointment Councilmember Angie Gonzales-Sanchez as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

**ITEM 6-G. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR COMMITTEES.**

Mayor White requested appointments to boards and commissions.

Councilmember Michelson made a motion to re-appoint the following board/commission members. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

- Wayne Reeder to Board of Adjustment
- Rick Winnett to Construction Board
- Frank Coggins to Economic Development Revolving Loan Committee
- Morris Alexander to Lockhart Economic Development Corporation
- Kathy McCormick to the Lockhart Historical Preservation Commission
- Donaly Brice to the Library Advisory Board
- Russell Wheeler to the Parks Advisory Board
- Mary Beth Nickel to the Planning & Zoning Commission

Councilmember Mendoza made a motion to replace Dyral Thomas with Frank Jackson on the Church Property ad-hoc Committee. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to re-appoint the following board/commission members as District 3 members. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

- Kirk Smith as an Alternate to the Board of Adjustment
- Nic Irwin to the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation
- Warren Burnett to the Parks Advisory Board
- Nita McBride to the Parks Master Plan Steering Committee

**ITEM 7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION.**

- Update: Work 95% complete by Smith Contracting on Ash, Comal, Pine Streets.
- Update: Work 100% complete for Evans Constructions installation of the large wastewater main along the north side of the railroad tracks near SH 130, north of SH 142
- Update: US 183 Interceptor ditches 99% complete; continue to water grass planting to prevent erosion.

- Update: Meeting with Texas Parks and Wildlife officials on November 30 about the feasibility of hotel development in and around the Lockhart State Park
- Update: St. Paul United Church of Christ property Ad Hoc Committee met on Monday November 27; heard presentations from Meals on Wheels Central Texas and Mr. Scott Paul about use of the sanctuary as an Art-Cultural Center; discussed possible joint use of the property; committee will meet again on Monday, December 11, at 4:30 pm, at City Hall and then again on Monday, January 8, at 3:30 pm at City Hall with additional presentations from the two interested entities and discussions about possible joint use.
- Update: Meadows at Clearfork Section III Subdivision work has begun putting in drainage, streets and utilities; Section II designs and engineering are underway.
- Update: Other subdivisions in different phases of design include Summerside, Centerpoint Meadows, Clearfork Reserve, Maple Park, and Stanton Place.
- Update: About 40% of the lighting project on the Maple Street Walkway has been completed by City crews.
- Update: City Water crew has completed about 70% of a 12" water main extension on SH 130 near Maple Street.
- Update: Contractor and City crew should finish lighting project at the Corporal James K. LaFleur Sports Complex in about three weeks, weather-permitting.
- Update: Two volunteer veterinarians working through Save Animals from Euthanasia (SAFE) were at the Lockhart Animal Shelter this past Saturday performing in-house dog neuter/spay procedures in the facility's operating room. This tremendously helps with adoptions and rescue efforts; the City pays for medical supplies and medications.
- Update: City Manager continues to meet with Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) and three other governmental entities regarding a long-term water supply agreement.
- Reminder: The Parks Master Plan Steering Committee has met twice and will meet again on Wednesday, December 6 at 6 pm with another Public Input meeting.
- Reminder: Dickens Luncheon sponsored by Bluebonnet Electric with in-kind services by the City will be held on Friday, December 8, between 11 and 1 pm in the Council Chambers.
- Reminder: City Employee luncheon will be on Friday, December 15 between 12 and 2 in the Council Chambers.
- Report: Dickens in Lockhart and the lighted parade.
- Report: Thank you to Light Up Lockhart for the Christmas signs in the downtown square.
- Report: Get well wishes to Peter Gruning, City Attorney.

#### **ITEM 8. COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS – ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST.**

Councilmember Westmoreland congratulated all involved with the successful Dickens' Christmas and the lighted parade. He also thanked the Light Up Lockhart committee for adding the Christmas decorations throughout town.

Councilmember Mendoza thanked the Friends of the Library and all involved with the successful Dickens' Christmas and the Light Up Lockhart Committee for the Christmas decorations. He thanked all involved with the successful Tree of Angels ceremony.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez thanked all involved with the successful Dickens' Christmas events, the Light Up Lockhart Committee for the Christmas decorations and those involved with the successful Tree of Angels ceremony. She expressed condolences to the families of Raul Sanchez and Edward Moreno and to the family of the fallen Police Officer in San Marcos.

Councilmember McGregor thanked all involved with the Dickens' Christmas event and the Lighted Parade.

Councilmember Castillo thanks to all involved with Dickens' Christmas and Light Up Lockhart for the postcard signs displayed on the courthouse lawn. He encouraged everyone to be safe during the cooler weather. He expressed condolences to the family of the fallen officer in San Marcos.

Councilmember Michelson thanked all involved with the successful Dickens' Christmas events. He congratulated the Lady Lion basketball team for their undefeated season.

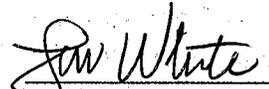
Mayor White thanked all involved with the successful Dickens' Christmas events and the Light Up Lockhart Committee for working hard to raise funds for additional Christmas lighting along the highways and for the postcards on the Courthouse lawn. Santa on the Square event will be held on Sunday, December 10 from 4-6 pm which will involve pictures with Santa and lighting of the tree on the square. City still has fans for the needy. Formal dedication of the LaFleur Soccer Complex is planned at the beginning of the soccer season. LISD and members of the community will meet next week to explore possibilities about a possible ACC in Lockhart. He wished Kathi Bliss good luck in her future endeavors since she has accepted another position and will no longer be the Editor of the Lockhart Post-Register.

**ITEM 9. 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 9:20 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 2017.

**CITY OF LOCKHART**

  
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Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Connie Constancio, TRMC  
City Secretary

