

§STATE OF TEXAS
§CALDWELL COUNTY
§CITY OF LULING

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LULING, MET IN REGULAR SESSIONS ON THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M. IN CITY HALL, 509 EAST CROCKETT STREET.

The following members were present:

Mike Hendricks	Mayor
Jackie Campbell	Council Member
Melanie Doyle	Council Member
Lee Rust	Council Member
Wayne Tresner	Council Member
Marc Taylor	Council Member
Raymond McGlothlin	Council Member
C. J. Watts	Council Member

Staff Members present:

Mark Mayo	City Manager
Martha Velasquez	City Secretary
James Rougeou	Finance Director
William Sala	Police Chief

1. Call Meeting to Order.

Mayor Hendricks called the meeting to order and welcomed all the visitors.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Jackie Campbell led the invocation and we said the pledge of allegiance to the Texas and American flag.

3. Consent Agenda- *All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Information concerning consent agenda items is available for public view.*

a. Approval of Minutes of the April 8, 2021 regular City Council meeting.

b. Consider/Approval of Accounts Payable.

Council Member C J Watts made a motion seconded by Council Member Raymond McGlothlin approving the consent agenda. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

4. Citizen Comment Period with City Council.

Any person with business before the City Council may speak to the Council at this time. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. Comments will be limited to three (3) to five (5) minutes per person.

There were no citizen comments.

5. Canvass election.

Mayor Hendricks canvassed the election for Council Member Ward 2. He read the tabulation of Election day votes for Edel Garza, he received 16 votes on Election Day and 41 during Early Voting and 4 Provisional Votes

that were counted. Lee Rust received 12 votes on Election Day and 71 during Early Voting and 1 counted provisional votes. Total for Lee was 84 votes and 61 votes for Edel Garza. There were 2 unmarked ballots and 2 rejected ballots for a total of 149 ballots. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion,

6. **Mayor Mike Hendricks will issue certificates of election to the elected officers of the 2021 General Election.**

Mayor Hendricks issued the certificates of election to the elected officers of the 2021 General Election. He presented a certificate of appreciation to outgoing Council Member Ward 2 Melanie Doyle and outgoing Council Member Ward 3 Wayne Tresner.

7. **City Secretary, Martha Velasquez, will administer the statement of Elected Officers and Oath of Office to the elected officers of the 2021.**

Martha Velasquez, City Secretary administered the statement of Elected Officers and the Oath of Office to the elected officers of the 2021, which are Jackie Campbell, Council Member Ward 1, Lee Rust, Council Member Ward 2 and Marc Taylor, Council Member Ward 3.

8. **Consider/action to elect a Mayor Pro-tem in accordance with Section 3.05 of the City of Luling Charter.**

Council Member Raymond McGlothlin made a motion seconded by Council Member Jackie Campbell nominating Council Member Ward 5, CJ Watts as Mayor Pro-tem in accordance with Section 3.05 of the City of Luling Charter. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

9. **Consider/action on Pay Request No. 1 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$15,750.00.**

City Manager, Mark Mayo stated that this pay request had been reviewed and approved for payment by Jeff Dahn, engineer with TRC. Council Member Jackie Campbell made a motion seconded by Council Member CJ Watts approving Pay Request No. 1 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$15,750.00. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

10. **Consider/action awarding bid for the Blanche Park Basketball Court project.**

City Manager, Mark Mayo stated that we had advertised for this project and we only received one bid for \$147,390.00 for the basketball court at Blanche Park Basketball.

Council Member Jackie Campbell made a motion seconded by Council Member Lee Rust awarding CT Fieldscapes from McQueeney Texas for the Blanche Park Basketball Court project. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

11. **Consider/action approval on the Watermelon Thump festivities from the Luling Watermelon Thump Association.**

Yolonda Hiner, Thump secretary presented the Watermelon Thump Association plan for this year. She stated that as a precaution due to Covid they were not having the seed spitting contest nor the watermelon eating contest, in place of that they were having a cornhole contest. Yolonda stated that she has put the date and times when the fence will be going up and when it will be taken down. There will not be an admission charge on

Thursday and Sunday There will be an admission charge for Friday and Saturday of \$5 each night or a \$7 button charge for both nights.

Mrs. Hiner stated that the reason for the fence is that it provides a secure location for vendors, reduces the risk that a child could wander onto the tracks and into danger. Loni Edwards stated that several business owners had voiced their concern about getting to their business and parking, because vendors were parking in the street in front of their businesses. Gretchen Moore stated that the parking in front of her business in the past has been blocked off on Tuesday or Wednesday. She was told that that wouldn't happen this year. Mrs. Hiner stated that the gate fee provides support for non-profit organizations.

Following discussion, Council Member Jackie Campbell made a motion seconded by Council Member Lee Rust approving the Watermelon Thump festivities from the Luling Watermelon Thump Association. The motion carried with all members voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

12. Police Department Monthly Activity Report.

There were no questions for the Police Chief on the Monthly Activity Report. Mayor Hendricks presented the Police Chief and police officers with a proclamation celebrating Police Week.

13. Adjourn.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: _____

Mike Hendricks, Mayor
City of Luling

Martha C. Velasquez
City Secretary