

§STATE OF TEXAS
§CALDWELL COUNTY
§CITY OF LULING

THE CITY OF LULING CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 509 E. CROCKETT STREET, LULING, TEXAS.

The following members: present:

Mike Hendricks	Mayor
Lee Rust	Council Member
Marc Taylor	Council Member
Raymond McGlothlin	Council Member
C J Watts	Council Member

Council Member Jackie Campbell was absent.

Staff Members present:

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

1. Call Meeting to Order.

Mayor Hendricks called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

Allen Davis gave the invocation. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas 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 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 August 12, 2021 regular City Council meeting, Minutes of Public Hearings held on August 26th and Special Council Meeting on August 26th.**
- b. Consider/Approval of Accounts Payable.**

Council Member C J Watts made a motion seconded by Council Member Ray 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.

Kourtnie Byrd addressed the Council and stated that she didn't know whether or not the Council was aware of the mandate coming down for the vaccine on all companies with 100 employees or more and all federal employees. She questioned how the City what the Council's thoughts were on the mandate and how they were going to handle that mandate.

City Manager, Mark Mayo, stated that we cannot take action only listen to comments during citizen comments. Mayor Hendricks thanked Kourtnie for her comments.

- 5. Consider/action a Paid Quarantine Leave Policy for our fire fighter, peace officers, detention officers and emergency medical technicians who are employed by, appointed by, or elected to the city and ordered to quarantine or isolate due to a possible or known exposure to a communicable disease while on duty.**

Mark Mayo, City Manager stated that this policy is result of House Bill 203 which went into effect on June 15th which states that paid quarantine leave will be paid to our first responders. Under this policy there will not be any deduction of their sick, vacation or holiday leave.

Council Member Ray McGlothlin made a motion seconded by Council Member Lee Rust approving the Paid Quarantine Leave Policy for our fire fighters, peace officers, detention officer and emergency medical technicians who are employed by, appointed by, or elected to the city and ordered to quarantine or isolate due to a possible or known exposure to a communicable disease while on duty. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

- 6. Consider/action changing the date of the November Council Meeting from Thursday, November 11, 2021 to Wednesday, November 10, 2021.**

Council Member CJ Watts made a motion seconded by Council Member Marc Taylor changing the date of the November Council Meeting from Thursday, November 11th to Wednesday, November 10th. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

The meeting date is being moved because City Hall will be closed on November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day.

- 7. Consider/action on Pay Request No. 2 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$78,022.50**

Mark stated the contractor had done the work and engineers had signed off on the work, so he recommends that we go ahead and approve Pay Request #2 and #3.

Council Member Raymond McGlothlin made a motion seconded by Council Member C J Watts approving Pay Request No. 2 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$78,022.50. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

- 8. Consider/action on Pay Request No. 3 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$63,308.94.**

Council Member Marc Taylor made a motion seconded by Council Member Raymond McGlothlin approving Pay Request No. 3 from Rockin Q Construction LLC on TxCDBG contract #7219251 in the amount of \$63,308.94. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

- 9. Consider/action awarding the bid of an irrigation system for the City of Luling Golf Course to VM Golf Services Inc. (TX. Lic #LI0017534) out of Houston, Texas.**

Lem Allen with the Luling Golf Course stated that the irrigation that the Golf Course currently has, is no longer functional. They went to Economic Development Corporation to ask for financial help. They received 3 bids for the irrigation system the lowest bid was for \$446,487 by VM Golf Services Inc. EDC will fund this project and the Golf Association will pay \$1,800 a month for 17 years. The stipend that the City of Luling gives the Golf Course right now is \$3,100, and out of that stipend the payment of \$1,800 will be taken out reducing the stipend to \$1,300 per month.

Following discussion, Council Member Raymond McGlothlin made a motion seconded by Council Member C J Watts awarding the bid of an irrigation system for the City of Luling Golf Course to VM Golf Services Inc. (TX Lic#L10017534) out of Houston, Texas. The motion carried with all members present, **with the exception of Marc Taylor who abstained**, voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

10. Consider/action nominating a representative for the City of Luling to the Executive Committee of CAPCOG.

Mayor Mike Hendricks appointed C J Watts as the City of Luling representative to the Executive Committee of CAPCOG.

11. Police Department Report.

Chief Sala gave his monthly report.

12. Executive Session: In accordance with the provisions of Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property owned by the City, where deliberation in an Open Meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the Governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

- A. Discussion regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property owned by the City of Luling.

Mayor Hendricks stated that no action was taken in the closed meeting.

13. OPEN SESSION

- A. Discussion and/or action regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property owned by the City of Luling.

Council Member Lee Rust made a motion seconded by Council Member Marc Taylor allowing City Manager Mark Mayo to work on an agreement with Project Cowboy Pivot regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property owned by the City of Luling. The motion carried with all members present voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

14. Adjourn.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved: _____

Mike Hendricks, Mayor
City of Luling, Texas

Martha C. Velasquez
City Secretary