

**REGULAR MEETING
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL**

MARCH 21, 2023

6:30 P.M.

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

Council present:

Councilmember John Castillo
Councilmember Juan Mendoza
Councilmember Jeffry Michelson

Mayor Lew White
Councilmember Brad Westmoreland
Councilmember Kara McGregor
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez

Staff present:

Steve Lewis, City Manager
David Fowler, Planning Director
Julie Bowermon, Civil Service/HR Director
Travis Hughes, Parks Director

Monte Akers, City Attorney
Sean Kelley, Public Works Director
Pam Larison, Finance Director
Gary Williamson, appointed Police Chief

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: Mike Brooks of Brooks Watson & Company; James Jimenez of Halff Associates; Eric Landrum of Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC; Citizens: Catarina Gonzales, Caroline Kiefer, Christine Ohlendorf, Ronda Reagan, Marcia Proctor and Richard Mendez.

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

A. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CITY OF LOCKHART AND CALDWELL COUNTY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE FARMERS' MARKET.

Mr. Akers stated that at the City Council meeting on March 7, 2023, representatives of the new sponsors of the Lockhart Farmers Market, the "Farmers and Artisans Market of Lockhart," informed the Council of their intent to abide by the terms of the interlocal agreement (ILA) between the City and Caldwell County regarding the market. At that time, it was anticipated that a new ILA would be needed, and staff was directed to prepare one for Council consideration. Subsequently, communications with the sponsors and examination of the original ILA revealed that the former sponsors have relinquished the Market's non-profit status, but that the wording of the ILA references only "the sponsors" of the Market without identifying them by name. Accordingly, whereas the new sponsors will need to obtain non-profit status and comply with other terms of the ILA, they can step into the shoes of the former sponsors and a new ILA or an amendment is not needed at this time. There was discussion.

B. DISCUSS THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND TAX CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 2023-2024.

Ms. Larison stated that this document is the preliminary budget and tax calendar for the fiscal year 2023-2024. Tentative dates are subject to Council acceptance of the Council workshop. This year's budget workshops will have two dedicated days (as has been recent practice) for management to present and discuss the City Manager's proposed budget for fiscal year 2023-2024. There was discussion.

C. PRESENTATION OF THE CITY OF LOCKHART AND THE LOCKHART ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT) BY BROOKSWATSON & COMPANY, PLLC., AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.

Ms. Larison stated that according to City of Lockhart's Home Rule Charter, Article 3, Section 3.14 - Audit of City books and accounts, the City shall have its records and accounts audited annually and shall have an annual financial statement prepared based on the audit. In addition, Section 3.14 states that the accountant shall not maintain or keep any of the city's accounts or records and shall not perform the city's annual audit for more than five years in succession. This is the second year for BrooksWatson & Company, PLLC to perform the City's annual audit. BrooksWatson & Company, PLLC has issued an unqualified (clean) opinion. An unqualified opinion is presumed to be free from material misstatements and fairly represents its financial results, financial position, and cash flows. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FYE 2021 includes three sections: Introduction, Financial, and Statistical. The transmittal letter is one of the legal requirements for the annual report that typically includes the local government's profile, provides an economic update on the local economy, lists any major initiatives undertaken by the local government and states that the financial reports are management's responsibility. The financial section includes all necessary financial information, narratives explaining financials, and an auditor's report. The third section is the statistical section. It outlines financial trends, revenue capacity, debt capacity, demographic information and other operating indicators about the local government.

Mike Brooks of BrooksWatson & Company provided information about the findings of the City of Lockhart's financial audit. He stated that BrooksWatson & Company, PLLC issued an unmodified audit (clean) opinion. An unmodified opinion is presumed to be free from material misstatements and fairly represents its financial results, financial position, and cash flows. There was discussion.

D. DISCUSSION REGARDING AN APPEAL BY CAROLINE KEIFER-BELL, ON BEHALF OF ROBERT MENDEZ, TO THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF CFA-23-04, AN APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE FOR ALTERATION TO ALLOW AN EXISTING, TEMPORARY MURAL, ORIGINALLY APPROVED THROUGH APPLICATION CFA-22-14, TO BECOME PERMANENT WITHIN THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE HISTORIC DISTRICT ON PART OF LOT 3, BLOCK 14, ORIGINAL TOWN OF LOCKHART, ZONED CCB, COMMERCIAL CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 200 EAST MARKET STREET

Mr. Fowler stated that on October 5, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission granted a Certificate for Alteration for a mural that was requested in conjunction with the Texas Monthly Barbecue Festival, to be held in November, 2022. At the time of the request, the Historical Preservation Commission had recently recommended revisions to Chapter 28, Historic Districts and Landmarks, Chapter 46, Sign Ordinance, that when combined would prohibit new murals within the Courthouse Square Historic District. Knowing that there was a strong possibility that City Council would adopt the Commission's recommendations (which it did on October 18, 2022), Texas Monthly and the building owner requested the approval be granted for a period of 90 days, after which the mural would be covered matching the paint color of the rest of the wall on which it had been painted. The Historic Commission granted the CFA for the temporary mural, which was completed during the Barbecue Festival. As the deadline to remove the mural approached, building owners and the applicant contacted the City regarding the possibility of making the mural permanent. After city staff had initially directed the applicant to apply for a variance, the City Attorney issued a legal opinion that the Historic Commission should hear the request as a Certificate for Alteration application. On February 15, 2023, the Historic Preservation Commission heard the request

and voted to issue a denial on the basis that the Sign Ordinance prohibits murals within the Historic District. City staff had also informed the Commission of their option to revise the original certificate for Alteration to make the terms of the approval permanent. The Commission did not exercise this option, instead voting to deny the request, knowing that the applicant would likely file an appeal. The Historic Preservation Commission meeting was well-attended, with many attendees in support of the mural remaining in place. The applicant filed an appeal to the Commission's denial within the required 30-day period. Mayor requested any member of the public wishing to speak on this item to come forward during the regular meeting section of tonight's meeting.

E. DISCUSS ORDINANCE 2023-06 AMENDING SECTION II, SUBSECTION 2-1 OF THE CITY'S PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL TO PROVIDE FOR A RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN CITY EMPLOYEES INVOLVED IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY SERVICES DURING EMERGENCIES.

Ms. Bowermon stated that in 2012, the City adopted Ordinance 2012-08 regarding a response time from residence for certain employees. Requiring a response time from a residence is permitted by law, however requiring employees to reside within the City limits is not. Since 2012, technology and communications have improved, enabling some management positions to respond to situations and direct employees efficiently without being within a 25-minute response time. These positions are not the first responding staff members on a scene. Proposed Ordinance 2023-06 removes those positions from the 25-minute response time. This will provide greater latitude in the recruiting of qualified employees for management positions while still maintaining a high level of service to the community during emergencies. Ms. Bowermon recommended approval. There was discussion.

F. DISCUSS CONFIRMATION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF MR. GARY WILLIAMSON AS LOCKHART POLICE CHIEF.

Mr. Lewis stated that following the retirement of Police Chief Ernest Pedraza, the City received 21 applications from candidates interested in serving as the next Lockhart Police Chief. Of these 21 applicants, 5 semi-finalists participated in a structured interview panel lead by the consulting firm, Public Safety Solutions. Two finalists were then invited to participate in a community meet and greet event, as well as an opportunity for City Councilmembers to engage with the finalists. To fill the position of Police Chief, the City Charter requires that the City Council confirm the City Manager's appointment of a Police Chief. Based upon the results of the structured interview panel, interview with the City Manager, input from the community, stakeholders, and employees, Mr. Williamson is wholeheartedly recommended for this position. It is anticipated that Mr. Williamson will assume his new position as Lockhart Police Chief on April 10, 2023.

Mr. Gary Williamson introduced himself to the Lockhart City Council, staff and the public. He expressed his appreciation of being selected to work as Police Chief for the City of Lockhart.

G. DISCUSS RESOLUTION 2023-03, SETTING A DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2023 WATER/WASTEWATER AND ROADS IMPACT FEE REPORTS, INCLUDING LAND USE ASSUMPTIONS, CAPITAL PROJECTS, AND FEE ADJUSTMENTS.

Mr. Fowler stated that this resolution would schedule a public hearing to potentially adopt the final reports for road and water/wastewater impact fee updates. The previous update of the City's impact fees was adopted in April 2017. The draft impact fee updates have been reviewed by City staff and the Impact Fee Advisory Committee. Under the new calculations, road impact fees would increase from \$1,304 per

vehicle mile for roads to \$1,501 in service area 1 and \$1,806 in service area 2. Water and wastewater fees would be a total of \$10,035 per living unit equivalent, up from their current combined total of \$3,045.94. Upon adoption of the resolution, public notice of the public hearing would be advertised in the Lockhart Post-Register and on the City website. Copies of the two reports will be available for review on the city website, and a physical copy of each report will be available for review at City Hall. The resolution schedules the hearing for May 2nd, with adoption possible either on that date or the following meeting without needing to advertise for a new hearing. Mr. Fowler recommended approval.

H. DISCUSS CONTRACTING WITH SKYHAWKS SPORTS ACADEMY TO PROVIDE YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS THIS SUMMER.

Mr. Hughes stated that Skyhawks is the nation's largest provider of youth sports programs. This summer will be the first opportunity for Skyhawks Sports Academy to provide programs in Lockhart and will serve as a trial run for potentially offering year-round sports programs. Staff proposes to conduct six 1-week camps from 9am to 3pm beginning June 5th, that would include swimming. These would take place at City Park. Skyhawks will provide marketing, registration, staffing, and all equipment. The City of Lockhart will provide access to facilities and assist with marketing on the city website and social media. At the end of the summer program, Skyhawks will provide the City of Lockhart with a check for 20% of registration revenue. Skyhawks currently conducts camps and classes in several central Texas cities including Kyle, Pflugerville, Lakeway, New Braunfels, Austin and San Antonio. Mr. Hughes recommended approval. There was discussion.

I. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FIRST TWO WORK AUTHORIZATIONS FOR HALFF ASSOCIATES UNDER THE MASTER GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO RENOVATE THE CITY PARKS.

Mr. Hughes stated that Halff Associates has been contracted to provide general services for the Parks & Recreation Department to renovate the city parks and assist with ongoing projects. The two work authorizations being presented provide for the specific scope of work and associated fees as follows: A. work authorization #1 -provides scope of work for the update of our Open Space Master Plan. B. work authorization #2 -provides scope of work for current projects that include splash pad amenities, skatepark repairs, and aquatics facility project guidance/support. Mr. Hughes recommended approval.

James Jimenez of Halff Associates provided information about the services that the firm will conduct for the city.

There was discussion.

J. DISCUSS RESOLUTION 2023-04 TERMINATING THE HANGAR GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 3, 2021 BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOCKHART, TEXAS AND LOCKHART HANGAR PARTNERS, LLC.

Mr. Kelley stated that On February 3, 2021, the City of Lockhart entered a ground lease agreement with Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC for land at the Lockhart Municipal Airport for purposes of constructing hangars and other aviation related improvements 12 months of the City's approval of plans for such construction. Plans for the hangar improvements were submitted and were approved by the City's Engineer on November 22, 2021. As of November 22, 2022, Lockhart Hangar Partners failed to commence or complete the construction of the hangars within 12 months of the approved plans, therefore putting Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC in default of the agreement. Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC was provided

30 days written notice on January, 2023, allowing it to remedy the default. However, the Partners failed to construct or take the steps necessary to cure the default of the agreement.

Eric Landrum of Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC provided information about the current schedule to abide by the lease agreement. He stated that they request to revamp construction plans or to generate a new lease. There was discussion.

RECESS: Mayor White announced that the Council would recess for a break at 7:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Lew White called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

ITEM 2. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor White gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENT.

Mayor White requested citizens to address the Council about issues that are not on the agenda. There were none.

ITEM 4. HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON AN APPEAL TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF APPLICATION SUP-23-03 BY CATARINA GONZALES ON BEHALF OF MARTIN ESPINOZA FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A MANUFACTURED HOME ON LOT 3, BLOCK 1, EAST SIDE, ZONED RMD RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 405 NECHES STREET.

Mayor White opened the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. He requested the staff background report.

Mr. Fowler stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission denied a request for a Specific Use Permit for a manufactured home at 405 Neches Street on February 8, 2023. This denial was issued despite city staff finding the application in compliance with City requirements and no neighborhood opposition to the proposed manufactured home being communicated. Staff did not receive any letters supporting the application, nor did any members of the public speak in favor of the application at the public hearing. In issuing their denial, the Commission stated that manufactured homes have a history of depreciation in comparison to site-built single-family homes. Furthermore, Commissioners stated that new manufactured homes would not be compatible with new site-built single-family home construction that has recently become more common on the city's east side. The applicant expressed disappointment with the denial, stating that city staff had not received any letters of opposition from surrounding residents, also noting that many of the neighboring residents are relatives of the applicant. As the applicant felt aggrieved by the Commission's action, she filed an appeal within the required 10-day period. As the appeal is a public hearing before City Council, notice of the hearing was sent to all residents within 200 feet of the subject property and a notification was published in the March 8, 2023 edition of the Lockhart Post-Register. City staff has not received any letters or phone calls stating opposition to or support of the proposed Manufactured Home SUP. Specific Use Permits (SUP) are submitted for review by the Planning and

Zoning Commission. Uses allowed with an SUP are generally those that have been determined to require an additional level of approval or scrutiny due to being perceived as possibly being incompatible with other uses in the zoning district or nearby residential or institutional uses. In Lockhart, SUP cases are reviewed at a public hearing at the Planning and Zoning Commission, which renders the decision regarding the proposed use meeting the required standards and being compatible with nearby uses.

The following grounds for denial are listed in Section 64-127 (6) c. of the Code of Ordinances:

1. The proposed development or use does not conform with the applicable regulations and standards established in this chapter;
2. The proposed development or use fails to conform with the objectives and the purpose of the zoning district where it is located;
3. The proposed development or use potentially creates greater unfavorable effect or impacts on other existing uses on abutting sites that those which reasonably may result from the use of the site allowed by right;
4. A written protest is received from the owners of at least 30 percent of the land area within 200 feet of the subject property; or
5. The proposed development is contrary to the public health, safety, or general welfare.

The applicant can appeal the Commission's decision if they believe they have been aggrieved by the Commission's action.

Mr. Fowler stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission voted to deny the request for a manufactured home on the subject site by a vote of 4-2 with one member abstaining at their meeting held February 8, 2023.

Mayor White requested the applicant to address the Council.

Catarina Gonzales, 407 Neches, requested approval to allow a manufactured home on the property. She stated that she would like to install a manufactured home at 407 Neches to reside in while she remodels the house at 405 Neches.

Mayor White closed the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. Mayor White requested discussion or citizens to address the Council. There were none.

Councilmember Mendoza made a motion to approve SUP 23-03, as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING CONFIRMATION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF MR. GARY WILLIAMSON AS LOCKHART POLICE CHIEF.

Councilmember Michelson made a motion to confirm the City Manager's appointment of Mr. Gary Williamson as Lockhart Police Chief. Councilmember McGregor seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-A. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER AN APPEAL BY CAROLINE KEIFER-BELL, ON BEHALF OF ROBERT MENDEZ, TO THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF CFA-23-04, AN APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE FOR ALTERATION TO ALLOW AN EXISTING, TEMPORARY MURAL, ORIGINALLY APPROVED THROUGH APPLICATION CFA-22-14, TO BECOME PERMANENT WITHIN THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE HISTORIC DISTRICT ON PART OF LOT 3, BLOCK 14, ORIGINAL TOWN OF LOCKHART, ZONED CCB, COMMERCIAL CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND LOCATED AT 200 EAST MARKET STREET.

Mayor White requested the following to address the Council:

Caroline Kiefer, 200 E. Market, stated that she believed that the mural is now a part of history that should be protected and preserved. She requested that the prohibition of murals in the downtown district are reconsidered to allow some murals.

Christine Ohlendorf, member of the Lockhart Historical Preservation Commission (LHPC), clarified that the mural was painted on the building prior to adoption of the ordinance prohibiting murals in the downtown district. She stated that the LHPC was informed that the building owner had plans to paint over the mural during the initial approval process. She stated that the LHPC is not against art and that they do their best to work with the community.

Ronda Reagan, 412 West San Antonio Street and member of the Lockhart Historical Preservation Commission (LHPC) stated that the LHPC members follow the guidelines that were adopted by the Council. The initial application by Coca Cola for the mural was for 90 days and the application indicated that the mural would be painted over after 90 days. Murals can be put on buildings in the city limits, just not in the historic district.

Marica Proctor, 515 South Main, stated that the LHPC was informed that the building owner had plans to paint over the mural after 90 days. During the application process, it was suggested that the mural be painted on a canvass, but the applicant wanted paint directly onto the building.

Richard Mendez, 200 East Market, requested that the mural remain on the building. He stated that he would make sure that the mural is touched up. He stated that he initially did not want the mural on the building yet now he believes that the mural expresses welcoming wishes to visitors. He asked about why the mural on the building of the State Farm offices was allowed especially since it is in the historic district.

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

There was discussion.

Mayor White made a motion to modify the certificate for alteration and make the mural permanent. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-1, with Councilmember McGregor opposing.

ITEM 5-B. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND TAX CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 2023-2024.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to approve the preliminary budget and tax calendar for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-C. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF THE CITY OF LOCKHART AND THE LOCKHART ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT) BY BROOKSWATSON & COMPANY, PLLC., AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to accept the City of Lockhart and the Lockhart Economic Development Corporation's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Comprehensive Finance Report. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-D. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2023-06 AMENDING SECTION II, SUBSECTION 2-1 OF THE CITY'S PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL TO PROVIDE FOR A RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN CITY EMPLOYEES INVOLVED IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY SERVICES DURING EMERGENCIES.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-06, as presented. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-1 with Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez opposing.

ITEM 5-F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2023-03, SETTING A DATE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2023 WATER/WASTEWATER AND ROADS IMPACT FEE REPORTS, INCLUDING LAND USE ASSUMPTIONS, CAPITAL PROJECTS, AND FEE ADJUSTMENTS.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-03, as presented. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-G. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER CONTRACTING WITH SKYHAWKS SPORTS ACADEMY TO PROVIDE YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS THIS SUMMER.

Councilmember Michelson made a motion to approve contracting with Skyhawks Sports Academy to provide youth sports camps this summer. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-H. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE FIRST TWO WORK AUTHORIZATIONS FOR HALFF ASSOCIATES UNDER THE MASTER GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO RENOVATE THE CITY PARKS.

There was discussion.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to approve the first two work authorizations for Halff Associates under the master general services agreement to renovate the city parks, as presented. Councilmember Michelson seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 5-I. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2023-04 TERMINATING THE HANGAR GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 3, 2021 BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOCKHART, TEXAS AND LOCKHART HANGAR PARTNERS, LLC.

Mayor White stated that the item would be deferred to the Executive Session item.

ITEM 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- 2023 Sidewalk Projects - construction update.
- KidFish event has been postponed to Saturday, March 25th at 9:00 a.m. at City Park.
- Citywide Spring Clean Up Program on Saturday, March 25, 2023.
- Cemetery Spring Cleanup will take place March 28 -29, 2023.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event will be held Saturday, April 1, 2023 (rain or shine) for Lockhart residents.
- Site preparation underway for the new Maple Street park splashpad.
- Update on Dell Children's Kids in Cars program for car seats being conducted in cooperation with the Lockhart Fire Department.
- Comprehensive plan update concerning the consultant selection process.
- Update on building permit application trends.
- Update concerning the deployment of updated body-worn cameras in the Police Department.

ITEM 7. COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS - ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST.

Councilmember Mendoza congratulated Alicia Contreras for participating in the Golden Glove State match. He announced that the Little League would hold their grand opening day on Saturday.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez expressed condolences to families that have recently lost a loved one. She expressed best wishes to the Hispanic Chamber for a successful annual banquet this weekend.

Councilmember McGregor thanked citizens for attending the Council meeting to express their opinions.

Councilmember Castillo expressed condolences to families that have lost a loved one. He wished the Little League the best of luck for a successful baseball season.

Mayor White thanked citizens for attending the Council to express their opinions. He invited everyone to the KidFish event this weekend.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS: Mayor White announced that the Council would enter Executive Session to discuss two items as listed below at 8:55 p.m.

ITEM 8. EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, TITLE 5, SUBCHAPTER D, SECTION 551.087 TO DELIBERATE OR FOR DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMERCIAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION THAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAS RECEIVED FROM A BUSINESS PROSPECT THAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY SEEKS TO HAVE LOCATE, STAY, OR EXPAND IN OR NEAR THE TERRITORY OF THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY AND WITH WHICH THE

GOVERNMENTAL BODY IS CONDUCTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; OR TO DELIBERATE THE OFFER OF A FINANCIAL OR OTHER INCENTIVE TO A BUSINESS PROSPECT. Discussion regarding economic development negotiations with project titan.

ITEM 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, TITLE 5, SUBCHAPTER D, SECTION 551.071, PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ITS ATTORNEY TO SEEK ADVICE ABOUT PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT OFFER; OR LEGAL MATTERS SUBJECT TO ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE. Seek legal advice from City Attorney regarding terminating the Hangar Ground Lease Agreement dated February 3, 2021 between the City of Lockhart, Texas and Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC.

ITEM 10. OPEN SESSION.

Mayor White announced that the Council would enter Open Session at 9:30 p.m.

ITEM 10-A. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH PROJECT TITAN.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a 380 agreement with the prospect as discussed in Executive Session. Councilmember McGregor seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 10-B. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING TERMINATING THE HANGAR GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 3, 2021 BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOCKHART, TEXAS AND LOCKHART HANGAR PARTNERS, LLC.

Councilmember McGregor made a motion to terminate the Hangar Ground Lease Agreement dated February 3, 2021 between the City of Lockhart, Texas and Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC. Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

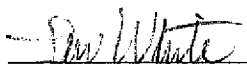
Mayor White made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-04 terminating the Hangar Ground Lease Agreement dated February 3, 2021 between the City of Lockhart, Texas and Lockhart Hangar Partners, LLC. Councilmember McGregor seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

ITEM 11. 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 9:35 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 19th day of March, 2024.

CITY OF LOCKHART


Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:


Julie Bowermon
City Secretary

