

**SPECIAL MEETING
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL**

JANUARY 9, 2024

6:00 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 John Lairsen
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez

Staff present:

Joseph Resendez, Assistant City Manager
David Fowler, Planning Director
Victoria Burns, Public Information Officer

Julie Bowermon, City Secretary
Sean Kelley, Public Works Director

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: Will Wachel of TRC Engineering; and Philip Ruiz of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER,

Mayor Lew White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM 2-A. DISCUSSION REGARDING GROWTH MANAGEMENT ISSUES REGARDING WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS.

Mr. Fowler provided information and there was discussion regarding the following:

- Permits obtained for residential, multi-family and apartments.
- New residential/subdivision developments and expanding developments.
- Recent housing trends.
- Fall 2023 impact fee account balances and revenue.
- Population growth and demographics.
- Summary
 - New development activity slowing
 - Recent legislative actions will improve quality of housing and ensure costs of development are more fully covered.
 - Impact fee funds available to cover infrastructure extension project with private partners.
 - Comprehensive plan will provide biggest opportunity to discuss and refine policy approaches for Lockhart's next 20 years.

Mr. Kelley provided information and there was discussion regarding the following:

- Projected growth population.
- Future thoroughfare planning and Transportation Industry Analysis (TIAs)
 - 2022 Annual average daily traffic
- Transportation projects
 - Downtown revitalization project
 - New truck route
- Other projects

- North Blanco Street bridge replacement – starting January 2026
- SH 142 from Downtown to Borchert Loop – pavement repair and overlay scheduled in Summer 2025
- FM 20/FM 1322 traffic signal project, estimated 2026
- Annual street improvements project (Bois D'arc from Pecos to Wichita, Prairie Lea from Frio to Rio Grande, Rosewood from US 183 to Brazos, Red River from Cedar to Olive, Sunrise Terrace from FM 20 to Sundown, Concho from Prairie Lea to Plum, Red River from China to dead-end, and Plum from Cibola to Guadalupe)
- Regulatory agencies, expansion triggers and milestones
- Utility capacities
- Water and wastewater projects
- Impact fees

Will Wachel of TRC Engineers provided information and there was discussion regarding the following:

- Water storage, water supply and treatment capacities, and wastewater treatment capacity regulations.
- Elevated water storage capacity.
- Current and projected water supply capacity.
- Current and projected wastewater supply capacity.
- Water and wastewater projects.
 - Water plant high service pump project.
 - Water plant generator installations.
 - Water and wastewater master planning.

Mr. Kelley provided information and there was discussion regarding the following:

- Water impact fee eligible projects.
- Wastewater impact fee eligible projects.
- Notable impact fee projects:
 - Completed – Maple Street (Jason K. Lafleur Soccer complex to Mockingbird Lane)
 - In Progress – water/wastewater master plan
 - Possible future consideration – North US 183 sewer extension (FM 2001 to Railroad tracks along Commerce Street – S-31 & S-32)
 - Possible future consideration – Stueve Lane sewer extension (FM 2001 to Railroad tracks, S-26)
 - Possible future consideration – FM 1322 lift station and extension (Blackjack to city limits, S-33 & S-34)

Philip Ruiz, member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, provided information and there was discussion regarding the following:

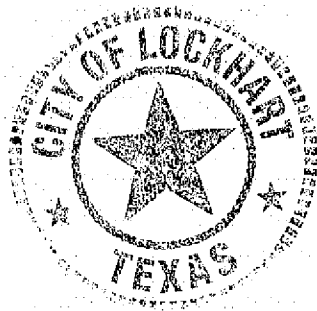
- Property acquisition, storage, and transmission costs for new elevated storage tanks.
- Estimated population growth might be more than estimated.
- Recommends that Larremore wastewater treatment plant be moved out of the residential neighborhood.
- Traffic congestion and traffic light delays.
- Possible additional water acquisition options.

Mayor White thanked all for their input and stated that the Council and staff will consider the information that was provided.

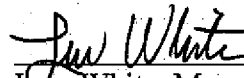
ITEM 3. ADJOURNMENT

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 7:48 p.m.

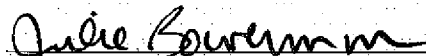
PASSED and APPROVED this the 18th day of February, 2025.



CITY OF LOCKHART


Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:


Julie Bowermon
City Secretary