

**SPECIAL MEETING/
BUDGET WORKSHOP
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL**

JUNE 11, 2024

6:30 P.M.

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

Council present:

Councilmember Brad Westmoreland
Councilmember Juan Mendoza
Councilmember Jeffry Michelson

Mayor Lew White
Councilmember John Lairsen
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez

Council absent:

Councilmember John Castillo (arrived at 6:40 p.m. and left shortly after)

Staff present:

Steve Lewis, City Manager
Joseph Resendez, Assistant City Manager
Sean Kelley, Public Works Director
Andrew Devaney, Building Official
Gary Williams, Police Chief
Erin Westmoreland, Municipal Court Manager

Randy Jenkins, Fire Chief
Julie Bowermon, City Secretary
Travis Hughes, Parks Director
Daniel Williams, Police Captain
Bertha Martinez, Library Director
David Fowler, Planning Director

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: None.

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Lew White called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 2-A. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S WORKING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENTS.

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

- Proposed budget meeting schedule
- General Fund revenue summary
- 3% inflation employee wage increase
- Increase in health insurance premiums
- Increase in contributions to the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS)
- City Council budget
 - Funds included for Wayfinding signage
 - Non-profit organizations will make presentations of requested funding during the next regular meeting
- Animal Control
 - One new full-time animal shelter employee
 - Funding for new equipment and shelter needs
- Police Department
 - Increase for hiring incentives
 - Increase for software subscriptions

- Fire Department
 - Fire Station #2 maintenance contracts - outdoor warning siren upgrade
 - Annual service contract for fire apparatus
- Parks Department
 - New zero turn mower
 - Increase for pool service agreement
 - Increase for software for work order system
- Building/Inspection Department
 - Increase for Bureau Veritas annual dues
 - Add wage for new full-time Code Enforcement Officer
- Streets/Right-of Way Department
 - Funding for street maintenance program
 - Funding for pavement management system study
 - Increase for city's engineer to update the city's Construction Standards Manual
 - Discussion regarding the difference between street repairs to street replacement
 - Sidewalk improvements
- Summary of departmental funding requests

Mr. Resendez stated that staff will continue to balance the revenue and expenditures.

Mr. Lewis summarized items that staff will answer questions as follows:

- Explanation about TMRS funding options
- Comprehensive list of requests for the Lockhart Animal Shelter
- Update about gaps of sidewalks in the city

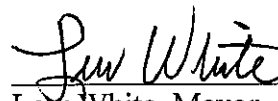
Ms. Bowermon provided an update about the proposed updated salary study and the history of wage adjustments for the past few years. There was discussion regarding the benefits of hiring a consulting firm to conduct an updated salary survey.

ITEM 3. ADJOURNMENT

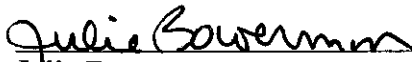
Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mendoza seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 3rd day of June, 2025.

CITY OF LOCKHART


Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:


Julie Bowermon
City Secretary

