SPECIAL MEETING/
BUDGET WORKSHOP
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL **JULY 24, 2024** **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 John Lairsen
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez

Staff present:
Steve Lewis, City Manager
Julie Bowermon, City Secretary
Keeli Michna, Finance Director
Joseph Resendez, Assistant City Manager
Cean Charles, EMS Director
Tatiana Salazar, Public Information Officer

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: EMS Boardmember

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, THE TRANSITION FROM LOCKHART EMS TO THE CALDWELL COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT (ESD) NO. 5.
Mr. Resendez and Sean Charles presented information and there was discussion regarding the following:

EMS
- Staff has allocated four months of operating revenues and expenditures.
- Transition to the ESD No. 5 is anticipated in January 2025.

EMS transition to ESD No. 5
- Personnel – add another shift of 12 employees is anticipated in 2026 which will double or possibly triple the employees required for EMS services.
- Add an Associate Medical Director.
- Protocol training for paramedics.
- Provider license.
- Obtain drug enforcement agency license to allow staff to manage controlled substances.
- Contract billing and collections to an outside agency.
- ESD No. 5 signed a letter of intent to provide two ambulances.
- Anticipate adding one ambulance to house at FM 1185 by January 2025.
- Lockhart EMS Director will take over managing EMS personnel in Luling.
- Discussion regarding the paramedic hiring process when the ESD No. 5 is implemented.
- Staff currently working on a Transfer of Assets and Liability Agreement prior to implementing ESD No. 5.
- Lockhart EMS working on implementing a whole blood program.

After discussion, the Council requested an update about the transition to the ESD No. 5 prior to implementation.

EMS Board, thanked Mr. Charles for his leadership.

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 7:04 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 15th day of July, 2025.

CITY OF LOCKHART

Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Bowermon
City Secretary