

**CITY OF LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday August 25, 2020 6:00PM**

The governing body of the CITY OF LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS met at 6:00p.m. the 25th day of August 2020 at the City Council Chambers, 525 Phelps Avenue, for the purpose of considering all matters and related incidents to the City of Littlefield.

Present: Eric Turpen, Mayor
Ben Warren, District 1
Kenny Rucker, District 4

Michael Rangel, Mayor Pro tempore, District 2 (6:16)
Buddy Holmes, District 3

City Manager Mitch Grant; Treasurer Andrew Eisenwine, City Secretary Janine Butler
8 audience (4 staff)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Eric Turpen called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

2. Invocation

Mayor Turpen led the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Turpen led the pledge.

4. Public Comments of All Agenda Items

No one requested to speak.

5. Introduction of New City Employees

There were no new employees.

6. Consider and Approve Minutes from the July 28th Meeting.

Council Member Kenny Rucker made the motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Ben Warren made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Consider and Approve Monthly Departmental Reports: Police Dept.; Fire Dept.; EMS; Code Enforcement; Animal Control; Landfill; Water/Wastewater; Streets and Parks; Municipal Court; Monthly Financial Reports; Sales Tax Collection; Property Tax Collection reports; LEDC A and B minutes, if Boards met.

Council Member Buddy Holmes made the motion to approve the monthly reports. Council Member Kenny Rucker made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Order changed per Mayor

10. Consider and Approve a RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0128 POLLING LOCATIONS AND DATES AND ELECTION JUDGE AND ADDITIONAL EARLY VOTING CLERKS; AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-0409 EARLY VOTING DATES; AMENDING ESTABLISHED DEADLINE TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOTS BY MAIL; DESIGNATING EARLY VOTING DATES.

Considerar y aprobar una RESOLUCIÓN DEL AYUNTAMIENTO DE LA CIUDAD DE LITTLEFIELD, TEXAS, ENMENDANDO LA RESOLUCIÓN NO. 2020-0128 LUGARES Y FECHAS DE VOTACIÓN Y JUEZ DE ELECCIÓN Y CLERKS ADICIONALES DE VOTOTEMPRANO; ENMIENDA DE LA RESOLUCIÓN 2020-0409 FECHAS DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA; ENMIENDA ESTABLECER LA FECHA LÍMITE DEL ED PARA RECIBIR SOLICITUDES DE BOLETAS POR CORREO; DESIGNACIÓN DE FECHAS DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA.

Council Member Ben Warren made the motion to approve the resolution. Council Member Buddy Holmes made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

El miembro del Consejo, Ben Warren, presentó la propuesta para aprobar la resolución. Buddy Holmes, miembro del Consejo, hizo la segunda moción. La moción fue aprobada por unanimidad.

11. Consider and Approve Wastewater Farm Lease.

Council member Ben Warren made the motion to approve the Wastewater farm lease. Council Member Kenny Rucker made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Consider CRS Covid-19 Report Presented.
City Manager explained the report. No action taken.

15. Consider and Approve A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Littlefield, Texas, Approving a Negotiated Settlement Between the Executive Committee of Cities Served by Atmos West Texas ("Cities") and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division Regarding the Company's 2020 Rate Review Mechanism Filing; Declaring Existing Rates to be Unreasonable; Adopting Tariffs That Reflect Rate Adjustments Consistent With the Negotiated Settlement; Finding the Rates to be set by the Attached Settlement Tariffs to be Just and Reasonable and in the Public Interest; Approving an Attached Exhibit Establishing a Benchmark for Pensions and Retiree Medical Benefits; Approving an Attached Exhibit Regarding Amortization of Regulatory Liability; Requiring the Company to Reimburse Cities' Reasonable Ratemaking Expenses; Determining that this Resolution was Passed in Accordance with the Requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; Adopting a Savings Clause; Declaring an Effective Date; and Requiring Delivery of this Resolution to the Company and the Cities' Legal Counsel.

Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel made the motion to approve. Council Member Kenny Rucker made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Update Regarding the Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation and the Proposal to Adopt an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Certificates of Obligation. This item and Ordinance are to be Discussed during a Meeting Anticipated to take place on September 22nd, 2020.

City Manager gave the update and answered any questions. No action taken

13. Call a Special City Council Meeting for September 14, 2020 Regarding Proposals for the Aquatic Center.

The motion to call a Special City Council Meeting on September 15, 2020 at 6:00p.m. was made by Council Member Kenny Rucker. Council Member Buddy Holmes made the second motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Public Hearing Regarding Approving the Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Mayor Turpen closed the meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 6:25p.m. No one requested to speak. Mayor Turpen closed the Public Hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 6:26p.m.

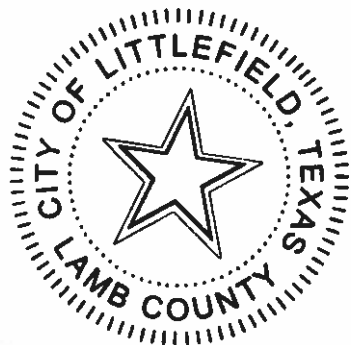
9. Consider and Approve AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT, PROJECT, ACCOUNT, AND DEBT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

After discussion, the first motion to add a one-time \$2,000.00 to Emergency Management budget was made Council Member Buddy Holmes. The second motion was made by Council Member Ben Warren. The motion passed unanimously.

The second motion was made by Mayor Eric Turpen to add \$15,000.00 to Public Works budget for Contractual Services.

The third motion was made to approve the budget with the above additions by Mayor Pro tempore Michael Rangel. The second motion was made by Council Member Kenny Rucker. The motion passed unanimously.

16. Adjourn



Mayor Eric Turpen

Attest:

City Secretary