REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Lexington City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at City Hall, 604 Wheatley, Lexington, Texas.

Present was Mayor Allen Retzlaff, Councilpersons David Mason, Dale Phelps and Anthony Retzlaff. Bobby Wesner and Dana Matson entered during Agenda Item No. 5.

Mayor Retzlaff brought the Regular Meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

- 2. Citizen Comments: Sharon Marting, Tami Andrus
- 3. David Mason made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2023, the Special Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2023 and Workshop-Special Meeting Minutes of July 31, 2023. Dale Phelps seconded the motion. Vote 3 for.
- 4. Anthony Retzlaff made the motion to approve paying the bills for the month of July, 2023. David Mason seconded the motion. Vote 3 for.

Bobby Wesner and Dana Matson entered the chambers.

- 5. Jeff Ormsby spoke regarding his concerns for procedures for permits for peddlers. Bobby Wesner made a motion to review the Ordinance for Peddlers and Solicitors with Anthony Retzlaff. Dale Phelps seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 6. Mike and Tami Andrus gave an update regarding their property at Burns Street and were asked to come back in four months for another update.
- 7. Anthony Retzlaff made the motion to deny the request for a variance to allow William Laake to live at 837 N. Rockdale St. David Mason seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 8. David Mason made the motion to deny the request from Gerome Hess to place a mobile home on his property at 517 Ave. B. Dale Phelps seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.

- 9. David Mason made the motion to approve RESOLUTION No. 23-0814-9 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS RSP AGREEMENT APPLICATION WHICH SHALL INCLUDE HRA, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND DISASTER PROGRAM THRU THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY SECRETARY TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE HOME PROGRAM RSP AGREEMENT. Dana Matson seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 10. David Mason made the motion to approve RESOLUTION No. 23-0814-10 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING ADOPTING AN AFFIRMATIVE FAIR HOUSING MARKETING PLAN AND A WAITLIST POLICY IN REGARDS TO THE TEXAS HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS HRA PROGRAM APPLICATION BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE HOME PROGRAM HRA RESERVATION SYSTEM. Dana Matson seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 11. Anthony Retzlaff made the motion to not make an additional principal payment on Regions Equipment Finance Contract No. 001-0007900-001. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 12. David Mason made the motion to make annual funding requests to Backpack Buddies Lexington, Lee County ARES, 4Star Track Club, Lexington Garden Club, CASA and CARTS in the amount of \$500.00 each. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 13. David Mason made the motion to renew the contract for 2023 property tax collection services with the Lee County Tax Assessor-Collector. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 14. David Mason made the motion to raise residential and commercial water rates by adding \$1.00 per usage tier effective October 1, 2023. Anthony Retzlaff seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 15. Bobby Wesner made the motion to not raise sewer rates. Dale Phelps seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 16. David Mason made the motion to table action on electric rates. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 17. David Mason made the motion to table action on Lost Pines rates. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.

- 18. David Mason made the motion to raise each tier on the garbage rates by 3%. Bobby Wesner seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 19. David Mason made the motion to table action on the police department's vehicle take home policy. Anthony Retzlaff seconded the motion. Vote 5 for.
- 20. The Financial/Budget reports, Police reports, Code Enforcement report, Public Works report, Mayor/Council reports were given.
- 21. David Mason made the motion to adjourn. Dale Phelps seconded the motion. Vote 5 for. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Allen Retzlaff – Mayor