



CITY OF LITHONIA
MINUTES– Work Session Meeting
Tuesday January 21, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting began at 5:33 pm.

Councilmember Wynn was absent at the time of roll call. All other members of the council were present.

II. Moment of Silence

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to approve the January 23, 2025, work session agenda. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

I. Action Items

a. For Decision – Regions Bank – *Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator*

Chief Dejarnette introduced Marcus Gore with Regions Bank. Marcus Gore gave a brief introduction and explained some of the expanded services offered by Regions Bank that include speakers for the Resource Center and a First Time Home Buyers class.

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to increase services with Regions Bank. Councilmember Honore seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

b. For Decision – GIRMA Resolution – *Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator*

Preamble read by City Clerk, Ashley Waters.

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to approve the GIRMA Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Inman seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

c. For Decision – Comprehensive Plan Memorandum of Understanding - *Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator*

Chief Dejarnette gave a brief explanation of the memorandum of understanding for the Comprehensive Plan to be completed this year.

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the memorandum of understanding. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

II. Discussion Items

a. For Discussion – PKS Sidewalk Project – *Chief Dejarnette, City Administrator*

Chief Dejarnette stated that he will begin collecting bids for the additional paving projects needed around the city.

b. For Discussion – Short Term Rentals – *Bill Johnston, Planning and Zoning Director*

Bill Johnson, Planning and Zoning Director, gave a presentation of an example ordinance that could be used to regulate short term rentals. He stated that the city does not currently have an ordinance in place to do so. There was much discussion and some concerns from Mayor Pro Tem Inman and Councilmember Sheppard in regard to the restrictions and requirements outlined in the example ordinance. Code Enforcement director, Officer Roseberry, provided some insight from the code enforcement point of view and gave some additional information about how short term rentals are managed and regulated by the state.

IV. Executive Session (If Necessary)

(When an executive session is required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation, 3) Real Estate, 4) Cyber Security

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to enter Executive Session for Personnel and Real Estate. Mayor Pro Tem Inman seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to exit Executive Session and return to the regular council meeting. Councilmember Sheppard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion – made by Mayor Pro Tem Inman to approve the amended purchase and sale agreement for 7005 Swift Street. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion – made by Councilmember Howard to approve a salary increase for the City Administrator

to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year (\$150,000.00/year). Mayor Pro Tem Inman seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

V. Updates and Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Inman requested an update on business licenses. Ashley Waters, City clerk provided a brief update on the process.

VI. Adjournment

Motion – made by Councilmember Sheppard to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Howard seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.


Shameka Reynolds, Mayor

Attest:


Ashley Waters, City Clerk

