

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
LAGO VISTA, TEXAS
JANUARY 13, 2018

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 13th day of November, A.D., 2018, the City Council held a Special Called Meeting at 8:43 a.m. at 18001 Marshalls Harbor, outside said City, there being present and acting the following:

CALL OF ORDER, ROLL CALL

Ed Tidwell	Mayor
Suzanne Bland	Mayor Pro Tem
David Williams	Council Member
Kevin Sullivan	Council Member
Arch Davila	Council Member
Ron Smith	Council Member
Dick Weatherly	Council Member
Josh Ray	City Manager

At 8:43 a.m. Mayor Tidwell called the special called meeting to order and recognized that all Council Members were present except for Suzanne Bland (arrived at 11:00 a.m.)

1. Council-Manager form of government - How do we interact? Who responds when...?

After much discussion, council decided in the following actions:

- Never use “Reply All”. But e-mail to city manager, CC: all others affected;
- City Manager responds directly when all council members received same e-mail or CC to sub-committee council members if sub-committee is active;
- When City manager sends a group council e-mail, reply only to city manager,
- To contact a city employee, council member must submit request to City Manager and cc employee or vis-a-versa. City Manager must be included.
- A common meeting with Boards, Commissions explaining the role of the liaison, staff members and board/committee chair to occur shortly.
- In subject line: start with “Citizen Complaint” or “Citizen Inquiry” or “FYI” where appropriate.

2. Council Training and Education opportunities

Opportunities discussed were: attendance at Texas Municipal League (TML) Annual Conventions where a variety of training sessions are offered over three days; TML first-time Council Member training sessions, TML Region X quarterly meetings, Pedernales Electric Cooperative (PEC) Community Outreach events and CAPCOG grant opportunities.

Mayor Pro-Tem Suzanne Bland arrived at meeting.

3. City Legal Plan and Strategy

Josh to create a strategy team consisting of the Finance Director, Police Chief and the Senior Municipal Judge to meet in closed session to develop a full Request for Proposal (RFP) for a new city attorney services. The new agreement will include “x” number of hours per month for an agreed upon amount of hours as well as other items. Current legal firm Knights and Associates will be offered an RFP. Once the full RFP process is completed, selection and negotiations will commence.

4. Change the way we do business – The old work week vs the new work week

After much discussion, council decided in the following actions:

Staff to conduct a two-week count of all incoming phone calls and walk-ins to set a baseline for current activity. Staff to assess cost and benefits to city as well as citizens. Vet the 4X10 work-week specifics with employees. Staff to review and change as appropriate any HR/Payroll policy changes. Communicate impending changes with citizens. If decision is to proceed, set a date and communicate, communicate and communicate.

5. City Comprehensive Plan discussion – Now that we have it, what do we do with it?

Josh suggested that the current Comprehensive Master Plan (CMP) be revised to show current year plus 3 years and the budget to show current year plus 2 years. Next budget to show current plus one year as an interim solution. Actions are to be reviewed by the city council twice during the budget cycle. On all future CMP the CIP reference number will be included for public visibility and we are actively using the CMP. Also when showing CMP actions in the council data package, staff to add the affected boards/commissions to the agenda item cover sheet as reference to the CMP.

6. Vision – What does Lago Vista look like in 6 years?

After much discussion, council decided in the following actions:

- Consider COLV/LVISED/LVPOA to share empty shopping center (some expressed cost fears).
- Improve wayfinding signs.
- Land swap airport triangle for fire protection.
- Consider pursuing bed and breakfast opportunities; no mechanism in place today.
- Get an Economic Development Director (maybe full-time) to develop a comprehensive pitch to include possibly Nature’s Point, Arkansas Bend Park, meetings with Class D and Class E restaurants and get one hotel, five story behind Oski’s.
- Consider obtaining Bar-K Park (possibly expensive for LVPOA)
- Consider webcams displayed on city web page that shows at different times the Milky Way, sunsets and lakes and or golf courses.
- Need for a “young family” advisory committee and use latest technology for them.
- Consider new outreach programs; such as, Welcome Wagon for both residential and commercial; community education and awareness; and community engagement; such as, volunteers for Christmas lights, golf course work days, etc.
- Consider a “Grow Lago” advisory board (Darby Myers).
- Consider a Citizen Academy
- Consider a Housing Authority so funding can be obtained to define what we want.

7. Budget – Where we were, where we are, where we want to go


- FY 2019-2020 will include current year 2019-2020 plus next FY 2020-2021.
- FY 2020-2021 will include current year 2020-2021 plus next two FY 2021-2022 & FY 2022-2023.
- Josh asked for certain reports the council needs. Josh is reviewing weekly golf income/expense with Golf Director to understand cash flow. Council suggested quarterly golf reports to fix revenue problems plus projections plus future changes. New Golf Director is now Chris.
- Council asked that “All Hands” must be positive when speaking about the city or city services.
- Josh asked that the Golf Course Advisory Committee review the fee schedule.
- Consider setting up a Charter Review Committee in February.
- Consider making all council first monthly meeting mostly work items only and second council meetings as mostly action items.
- Council member suggested setting up a quarterly meeting for the specific purpose of general council group discussion; such as more visioning.

8. Items sitting out there – Getting from start to finish

- Josh quickly reviewed the items but no detail discussion took place; mostly informational only.

Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

ATTEST:



Sandra Barton

Sandra Barton, City Secretary

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Tidwell

Ed Tidwell, Mayor

On a motion by Councilwoman Bland, seconded by Councilman Weatherly, the above and foregoing instrument was passed and approved this 15th day of February, 2018.