# MINUTES
# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

August 6, 2026 | 6:30 PM
Council Chambers
City Hall | 665 Country Club Road, Lucas, Texas

**City Councilmembers Present:**
Mayor Dusty Kuykendall
Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Fisher
Councilmember Chris Bierman
Councilmember Jonathan Underhill
Councilmember Rebecca Orr

**City Councilmembers Remote:**
Councilmember Phil Lawrence (left the meeting at 7:24 pm)

**City Councilmember Absent:**
Councilmember Neil Peterson

**City Staff Present:**
City Manager John Whitsell
City Secretary Toshia Kimball
Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn
Finance Director Liz Exum
CIP Manager Patrick Hubbard
Fire Chief Rick Lasky
Director of Public Safety Doug Kowalski
City Attorney Joe Gorfida

Mayor Kuykendall called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., determined that a quorum was present, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## Citizen Input

### 1. Citizen Input

No citizen input.

## Community Interest

### 2. Community Interest

- Upcoming Events:
  - Lucas Farmers Market – Saturday, August 22, 2026, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (Back to School Bash)
  - Make a donation for your chance to dunk Lovejoy's beloved administrators, coaches, and teachers into cold water.
  - All proceeds benefit ACO and their mission to help our community.
- City Hall Holiday Closure:
  - City of Lucas offices will be closed Monday, September 7, 2026, in observance of Labor Day.
  - Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, September 8, 2026.
- 9/11 Memorial Ceremony:
  - Friday, September 11, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at the Lucas Fire-Rescue station located at 165 Country Club Road invites the community to honor the lives lost in the September 11, 2011, terrorist attacks.

- This ceremony recognizes the courage and sacrifice of first responders, military personnel, and civilians.

- Public Lands Trail Cleanup
  - Saturday, September 19, 2026, 9 am – 1 pm.
  - Help keep Lucas beautiful by volunteering to clean up the Highland Park area off Snider Lane
  - Cleanup supplies and lunch will be provided for registered volunteers.
  - Families and youth groups are welcome; individual registration is required for all participants.
  - To sign up, please visit our website under special events in the community tab.
- Movie in the Park: The Lorax
  - Saturday, October 3, 2026, 7 pm
  - Complimentary hot dogs and lemonade available while supplies last.
- Lucas Fire-Rescue Open House
  - Saturday, October 17, 2026, 10 am – 1pm
  - Join Lucas Fire-Rescue for a free, family-friendly Open House during Fire Prevention Month.

## Consent Agenda

**3. Consent Agenda:**

A. **Approval of the July 16, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes**
B. **Authorize the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Jail Services between the City of Lucas and the City of Wylie.**

Councilmember Bierman pulled Agenda Item 3B.

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Mayor Kuykendall, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher to approve Consent Agenda 3A as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Bierman to approve Consent Agenda 3B as presented. The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

## Regular Agenda

Mayor Kuykendall moved Agenda Item Number 6 after Agenda Item 3B.

**6. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Tiseo Paving Company for an amount not to exceed $17,996,144.60 with a contingency of $969,159.77 and right of way acquisitions of $500,000 for a total of $19,465,305. Encumber $17,939,549 to account 21-8210-491-136 (West Lucas Road) and encumber $1,525,756 to account 21-8210-490-132 (8" Force Main Relocation).**

Development Services Director Joe Hilbourn presented.

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Mayor Kuykendall, seconded by Councilmember Bierman

to approve authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Tiseo Paving Company for an amount not to exceed $17,996,144.60 with a contingency of $969,159.77 and right of way acquisitions of $500,000 for a total of $19,465,305. Encumber $17,939,549 to account 21-8210-491-136 (West Lucas Road) and encumber $1,525,756 to account 21-8210-490-132 (8" Force Main Relocation). The motion passed unanimously by a 6 to 0 vote.

## Executive Session Agenda

### Executive Session

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney regarding any item on the agenda at any time during the meeting. This meeting is closed to the public as provided in the Texas Government Code. This item pertains to Agenda Item Number 4.

City Council convened into Executive Session at 6:52 pm.

City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:24 pm.

No action taken.

Councilmember Lawrence did not return to the City Council Meeting.

## Regular Agenda

**4. Discuss the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Proposed Budget.**

Finance Director Liz Exum presented.

This item is for discussion purposes only.

**5. Consider the proposed City of Lucas Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:**

**A. Discuss tax rate and take record vote for publication in the Allen American Newspaper.**

**B. Schedule public hearing for tax rate for Monday August 24, 2026 (Special Meeting) at 6:35 pm, or immediately following the Lucas Fire Control, Prevention, and EMS District Board Meeting.**

Finance Director Liz Exum was available for questions.

There must be a record vote accepting the proposed tax rate for FY 2026–2027.

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Councilmember Bierman, seconded by Mayor Kuykendall make a motion to approve Option # 1 to be published in the Allen American Newspaper, a proposed tax rate of .249880 percent, which is the no new revenue tax rate for the 2026 tax year. The following record vote was taken:

Councilmember Orr – Aye
Councilmember Bierman – Aye
Mayor Kuykendall – Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Fisher – Aye
Councilmember Underhill Aye

7. **Consider the adoption of Resolution #2026-08-00584 declaring a public necessity exists and finding a public use and purpose for the exercise of the power of eminent domain and the initiation of condemnation proceedings for the taking and acquiring of three tracts of property, to wit: a 0.159 acre tract of land situated in the William G. Mckinney survey, abstract no. 583, Collin County, Texas ("Parcel 14"), a 0.621-acre tract of land situated in the William G. Mckinney survey, abstract no. 583, Collin County, Texas ("Parcel 22"), and a 0.078-acre tract of land situated in the James Lovelady Survey, Abstract No. 538, Collin County, Texas, ("Parcel 40"), for construction of improvements for the West Lucas Road Reconstruction and Widening Project.**

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Councilmember Underhill, seconded by Councilmember Bierman to approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-08-00584 declaring a public necessity exists and finding a public use and purpose for the exercise of the power of eminent domain and the initiation of condemnation proceedings for the taking and acquiring of three tracts of property, to wit: a 0.159 acre tract of land situated in the William G. Mckinney survey, abstract no. 583, Collin County, Texas ("Parcel 14"), a 0.621-acre tract of land situated in the William G. Mckinney survey, abstract no. 583, Collin County, Texas ("Parcel 22"), and a 0.078-acre tract of land situated in the James Lovelady Survey, Abstract No. 538, Collin County, Texas, ("Parcel 40"), for construction of improvements for the West Lucas Road Reconstruction and Widening Project. The motion passed unanimously by a 5 to 0 vote.

## Executive Session Agenda

8. **Executive Session:**

   **The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, and duties of a public officer or employee. City Manager**

   City Council convened into Executive Session at 7:53 pm.

9. **The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate on the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.**

City Council did not discuss this item in Executive Session.

**10. Reconvene from Executive Session and take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.**

City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:24 pm.

Increase City Managers' salary by 5%.

## Adjournment

**11. Adjournment.**

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Councilmember Bierman, seconded by Councilmember Orr to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. The motion passed unanimously by a 5 to 0 vote.

APPROVED:

Dusty Kuykendall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Toshia Kimball, City Secretary

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