

**Date:** June 9, 2016  
**Meeting of:** Locust City Council  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Members Present:** Larry Baucom, Roger Hypes, Harry Fletcher, David Walker, Michael Haigler, Rusty Efird, and JC Burris  
**Order:** Mayor Huber  
**Pledge:** Girl Scout Troop 1061  
**Prayer:** Mayor Huber

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2016-2017 BUDGET**

No one spoke for or against

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

No one spoke for or against

**Call to order at 7:15 pm**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker **(7-0)**  
**Motion to adopt agenda**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker **(7-0)**  
**Motion to adopt May 2016 Minutes**

**Financials** – Financial reports accepted.

**Mayor’s Report** – Mike Harwood praised the City of Locust’s Parks and Rec Department on their awesome work during the ball tournament. All teams and participants including parents praised about the fields and cleanliness of the park and fields. Girl Scout Troop 1061 presented a service project to the Council wanting to place GEO Caching location all throughout the City.

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes **(7-0)**  
**Motion to approve GEO Caching Project**

**Administrator’s Report** –2016-2017 Budget overview. No tax increase and includes the new bathroom facilities at the park, construction of the Veterans Memorial, a 3% COLA for City employees and a 9% increase in the cost for health benefits. It does include a 5% user fee increase in sewer fees. Budget amendments were reviewed.

**M/S/A** Council Members David Walker and Larry Baucom (7-0)  
**Motion to approve 2016-2017 Budget**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker (7-0)  
**Motion to approve budget amendments**

**Admin/HR** – Thanks to all staff for help on budget. 3 finalist in the City Administrator search. Interviews will continue with the final 3. Hopefully a recommendation will be brought to Council in the July meeting.

**Parks** – Sidewalks are fully funded, Lots of ball tournaments held, Hands on Locust was a success, the 18<sup>th</sup> our concert series continues with Backwater Rhythm and Blues.

**Facilities** – N/A

**PW** – Sewer line transfer closing on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

**ABC** – Remodeling is finishing up and looking to be open in new space by end of next week.

**PD/Zoning** – Thanks to PD for all hard work. Housing permits are steady. CTP was presented and discussed.

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and Michael Haigler (7-0)  
**Motion to adopt Comprehensive Transportation Plan**

**Economic Dev/Small Business** – N/A

**Public Comment** – No one signed up to speak.

**Board Closing Comments** – Thanks to staff and City Administrator Tim Fesperman for all their hard work. Thanks to Girl Scout Troop 1061 for coming out and participating in meeting. City looking great.

**M/S/A** Council Members David Walker and Harry Fletcher (7-0)  
**Motion to enter into Executive Session GS: 143-318.11 Contractual at 8:08pm**

**Out of Executive Session**

**M/S/A** Council Members David Walker and Harry Fletcher (7-0)  
**Motion to enter into Executive Session GS: 143-318.11 Personnel at 8:18pm**

**Out of Executive Session**

**M/S/A** Council Members JC Burris and Larry Baucom **(7-0)**  
**Motion to approve attorney contract with Brown, Brown and Brown**

**M/S/A** Council Members Harry Fletcher and David Walker **(7-0)**  
**Motion to adjourn at 8:29 pm**

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Stephen Huber, Mayor

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Amy Meachum, City Clerk