

**CITY OF LAKEWAY CITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Special Work Session**  
**Thursday, August 4, 2008, at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Lakeway City Hall, 1102 Lohmans Crossing, Lakeway, Texas 78734**

1. **Establish Quorum and Call to Order.** Present: Mayor Steve Swan, Mayor Pro Tem Don Karges and Councilmembers Dee Ann Burns, Dave DeOme and Alan Tye. Record will show that Councilmember Bruce Harris arrived at 2:05 p.m. Absent was Councilmember Bob Neighbors.
2. **Fiscal Year 2008/2009 BUDGET WORK SESSION:**
  - Council will discuss and consider the preliminary budget.

City Manager Steve Jones presented a slide presentation regarding the proposed budget. The following matters/questions were raised by Councilmembers:

- How many commercial tax accounts do we have compared to residential?
- Is sales tax revenue estimated each year?
- Can you give us a tax impact estimate on more than one average price home?
- How were development fee revenue figures arrived at?
- Do we receive telecommunication franchise fees?
- How are franchise fees calculated?
- Can we see a full-time employee growth chart by position in every department?
- Trenching for oak wilt vs. not trenching.
- Why is our fund balance ratio (20-22%) so high?
- What is the budget cut/impact on current website capability?
- What has been cut in the Parks and Rec and Beautification budgets?
- Why don't we have our own gas tanks and could we partner with another large entity (LTISD or LMUD) for fuel use?
- Are funds included for update of the Comprehensive Plan?
- Can we take a closer look at inspection fees and code enforcement fees with the possibility of an increase of all fees?
- What will move the City forward if revenues keep going down?

City Manager Steve Jones went over figures, chart by chart, and answered Council's questions. He reported that five staff positions have been frozen until revenues are up: three in Police Dept, one in Municipal Court and one in Public Works. The budget includes a 3% across the board CPI increase for all employees, with no merit raises considered. The next Public Hearing on the proposed budget will be August 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. Council requested that the presentation format be different and that the list of what was left out of this packet be included.

**Councilmember Dave DeOme made a motion to adopt the FY 2008/2009 roll back rate of 0.1827 per calculations presented by TCAD. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Alan Tye and Mayor Pro Tem Don Karges. Motion passed by unanimous vote, as follows: For: Mayor Steve Swan, Mayor Pro Tem Don Karges, and Councilmembers Dave DeOme, Alan Tye, Dee Ann Burns and**

**Bruce Harris. Against: None. Absent was Councilmember Bob Neighbors.  
Approved by 6-0 vote.**

- 3. Councilmember Alan Tye moved the meeting be adjourned. Councilmember Dee Ann Burns seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.**

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**Steve Swan, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Linda Winn, City Secretary**