



CITY OF LITHONIA
MINUTES–SPECIAL CALLED VIRTUAL MEETING
Film Application Approval, Tell Me Lies
Monday, May 9, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Special Called Meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Mayor Shameka S. Reynolds. A roll call was taken, and the following City Council Members were present: Diane Howard, Darold Honore, and Amelia Inman. Vanerriah Wynn, and Yolanda Sheppard later joined the call.

II. Approval of Agenda

Councilman Honore motioned to approve the agenda for the special called meeting of May 9th, the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Howard and approved by a vote of 3-0.

III. Presentation

Film Application Approval, Tell Me Lies: Joshua Cane

Joshua acknowledged this to be his first time shooting here and thanked Mayor and Council. Prep begins on 5/17, have sizeable trucks, larger trucks will go to the basecamp, shorty trucks on the right-side lane on Wiggins street and Born, officers on both ends of the street for ITC, ITC will not be used much on main street, all prep from 7am until 7pm, at the end of the day the trucks will go away, and start over the next day, wrap day on 5/21, finish on 5/23, no activity on 5/22.

Councilwoman Howard asked for clarity on the names of the streets and where trucks will be parked (Joshua- between the corner of Born and Wiggins, ITC will not be used much on Main Street, prep on May 17-19 with some trucks) how many trucks will be in place for the (18 trucks total, not all are used at once, how many trucks and what size (vary in sizes, several large ones we don't bring, 10 wheelers, 5 and 10 ton trucks, box trucks), concern about pollution in the city

Councilman Honore asked what ITC is (intermittent traffic control), any explosions, noise (no, all controlled dialogue).

Councilwoman Inman (inside the home for most of the filming) are you planning to hire Lithonia Police Officers (yes).

Councilwoman Sheppard asked where the crew will park and will any parking be used on Main Street (always a concern of ours, does not want to block Main Street, we may rent Mr. Safari's lot) if parking is not utilized on Main Street, how many days will you utilize on Main Street (trying not to use Main street with more emphasis on Wiggins) are you anticipating that your set up days will block traffic (no, will be getting trucks in and out).

Mayor Reynolds asked if the residents were notified (yes and plan to obtain signatures as well) the trucks will not be blocking anyone's driveway (no) are residents okay (yes, just a few calls for hosting an event, aware) then asked for the activity days of sequence (the call day of the shoot is 1pm until 1am).

Councilwoman Howard asked what the response has been from the neighbors in the residential district, concern of the trucks, 18 trucks over a 6-day period (they were notified one week ago by letter, signatures will be obtained tomorrow, received calls if their business would be affected) concerned about how the residents feel.

Councilman Honore asked if the homeowners would be compensated (yes).

Mayor Reynolds asked if the businesses on Main street would be impacted in any way (talking to the businesses on what their needs are, will continue to speak with them, a few businesses that will be rented out).

Councilwoman Wynn joined late and asked for an overview (Mayor Reynolds provided a detailed summary of the filming activity and addressed the issues that councilmembers have expressed).

Councilwoman Howard expressed concerns about the size of the trucks in the residential area (Joshua, stake bed trucks are used to shuttle back and forth, a bit larger than a pickup truck, 18 wheelers are not used because they don't fit into residential areas).

Mayor Reynolds asked about the number of officers (4 total officers on shoot day, for prep 2 officers).

IV. Discussion

Councilman Honore motioned to approve the Tell Me Lies application for filming, the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Sheppard and approved by a vote of 5-0.

Joshua commented for anyone to feel free to call or email if there were any additional questions.

V. Executive Session (NONE)

VI. Adjournment

Councilwoman Wynn motioned to adjourn the special called meeting, the motion was seconded by Councilman Honore, and approved by a vote of 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm.