Minutes of Proceedings Regular Board Meeting La Feria Utilities Board Tuesday, April 10, 2012

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 10, 2012</u>, <u>at 5:15 P.M</u>. in the City Commission Meeting Room, 115 East Commercial Avenue, La Feria, Texas 78559. The purpose of said meeting was to consider and take action on those items of Utilities Board business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with the State Open Meetings Law. The following Board Members were present at said meeting:

Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap
Mr. Ralph Muse
Mr. Ovidio Saldivar

Vice Chairman
Board Member
Board Member

Absent:

Mr. Adolfo Lopez

Mr. Steve Brewer

Chairman

Mayor/Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Sunny K. Philip City Manager
Ms. Maria Chavero Finance Director

Ms. Irene Szedlmayer Planning & Community Dev. Director

Ms. Olga Oberwetter City Secretary

Ms. Paula Rodriguez Capital Projects Coordinator

There were no other persons in attendance at this meeting.

At 5:20 P.M., Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap asked all present to rise and recite aloud the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. After this was done, Ms. Dunlap declared that a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012

After review of the minutes, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the regular meeting of the La Feria Utilities Board held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 as presented in written form. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2012

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports for the month of March 2012, reviewing the monthly and year-to-date figures for the month. Ms. Chavero then reviewed the performance indicators for the Waterworks and Sewer System. After

review of the reports, Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

REPORTS BY STAFF AND DISCUSSION WITH BOARD

- Water and Wastewater System Improvements Projects
- 2013 Texas Water Development Board Clean Water and Drinking Water Applications

City Manager Sunny K. Philip reported on the following.

- Mr. Philip reported that the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) forgiveable loan would close on Monday, April 16, 2012. [NOTE: The closing date was changed and took place on Thursday, April 19, 2012]. As soon as TWDB closes on the loan, the funds will be deposited into an escrow account in the name of the City. Mr. Philip said the City needs to start construction before August. He then discussed the first project that will be done under the water project, which will be a meter reading system and replacement of all water meters. The amount budgeted for this portion of the project is \$500,000.00.
- The City submitted two applications with only a few items for 2013 TWDB Clean Water and Drinking Water funds and scored high, but the forgiveable portion of the loan would be 30% and it is not worthwhile for the City to continue the process with these applications.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap declared the public comment session open. No one signed up to speak before the board, so Ms. Dunlap declared the public comment session closed.

ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Mr. Ralph Muse moved for adjournment of the meeting. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

ADJOURNMENT – BOARD CHAIRMAN

Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap adjourned the meeting at 6:00 P.M.

APPROVED:

Betty Jo Dunlap, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria as official record of the Utilities Board at 4:53 PM on May 7, 2012.

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary