Minutes of Proceedings Regular Board Meeting La Feria Utilities Board Tuesday, September 11, 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>September 11</u>, <u>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:

Mr. Adolfo Lopez Chairman
Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap Vice Chairman
Mr. Ralph Muse Board Member
Mr. Ovidio Saldivar Board Member

Absent:

Steve Brewer

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

There were no other persons in attendance at this meeting.

At 5:23 P.M., Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez 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, Mr. Lopez declared that a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order.

## REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2012

After review of the minutes, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the special meeting of the La Feria Utilities Board held on Tuesday, August 28, 2012 as presented in written form. Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2012

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports with the board, reviewing both the monthly and year-to-date figures for the month of August. Ms. Chavero then reviewed the Performance Indicators for the month. After review and all

questions answered, Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

# CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR CITY OF LA FERIA WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM BUDGET FOR FY 2011-2012

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the budget amendment with the Board. She reviewed the revenues and expenditures by line item. The total amendment for revenues was \$4,523,523 and the total amendment for expenditures was \$4,314,607, for a total of revenues over expenditures of \$208,916. After review and all questions answered, Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap moved to approve the budget amendment for FY 2011-2012 for the City of La Feria Waterworks and Sewer System Budget. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

# CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LA FERIA WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM FOR FY 2012-2013

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the Proposed Budget for FY 2012-2013 with the Board. There were not significant changes from the budget presented at a prior meeting during a budget workshop. After review and all questions, answered, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the City of La Feria Waterworks and Sewer System Budget for FY 2012-2013. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY
COMMISSION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA
AMENDING WATER AND SANITARY SEWER REGULATIONS;
ESTABLISHING STANDARD RATES FOR WATER AND SANITARY SEWER
SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE METERING OF WATER DELIVERED;
SETTING ALL OTHER FEES AND CHARGES RELATED TO WATER AND
SANITARY SEWER SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR A SAVING CLAUSE;
PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR THE
PUBLICATION AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE
FOREGOING

City Manager Sunny K. Philip reviewed the water and sewer rates with the board members. Residential water and sewer accounts would increase only \$0.25 for the basic rate and \$0.10 on the volumetric rate. Larger commercial accounts would see a slightly higher increase, but the school rate would remain the same. After review and all questions answered, Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap moved to recommend to the City Commission to approve the ordinance amending water and sanitary sewer regulations; establishing standard rates for water and sanitary services; providing for the metering of water delivered; setting all other fees and charges related to water and sanitary sewer services; providing for a saving clause; providing for the effective date; providing for the publication and ordaining other matters related to the foregoing. Mr. Ralph Muse

seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez declared the public comment session open. No one signed up to speak before the board, so Mr. Lopez 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. Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

### ADJOURNMENT - BOARD CHAIRMAN

Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez adjourned the meeting at 5:53 P.M.

APPROVED:

Adolfo Lopez, 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 5:00 PM on October 8, 2012.

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary



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