

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY COMMISSION
Tuesday, November 12, 2013**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in special session on **Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at 6:30 P.M.** in the City Commission Meeting Room, 115 E. Commercial Avenue, La Feria, Texas 78559. The purpose of said meeting was to consider and take action on those items of City Business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with State Open Meetings Law. The following City Commission members were present at said meeting.

Ms. Lori Weaver	City Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem
Mr. John Edward Betancourt	City Commissioner
Mr. John Hernandez	City Commissioner
Mr. Victor Gonzalez, Jr.	City Commissioner
Ms. Angelica P. Baldivia	City Commissioner

Absent: Mr. Steve Brewer Mayor

The following staff members were present.

Mr. Sunny K. Philip	City Manager
Mr. Richard S. Talbert	City Attorney
Ms. Olga Oberwetter	City Secretary

A copy of the signature roster of all others present is attached as a part of the minutes hereof.

At 6:33 P.M., Mayor Pro Tem Lori Weaver gave the invocation. After the invocation, Mayor Pro Tem Lori Weaver led everyone present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. She then declared that a quorum of the City Commission was present and called the meeting to order.

**REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION HELD ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2013**

After review of the minutes, Commissioner John Betancourt moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the special meeting of the City Commission held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

**REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION HELD ON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013**

After review of the minutes, Commissioner Angelica P. Baldivia moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the special meeting of the City Commission held on Tuesday, October 1, 2013. Commissioner John Betancourt seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2013

After review of the minutes, Commissioner Victor Gonzalez, Jr. moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the regular meeting of the City Commission held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013. Commissioner John Betancourt seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF LA FERIA ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014 TO FILL A VACANCY OF THE MAYOR'S UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH WOULD HAVE EXPIRED IN MAY 2016

City Manager Mr. Sunny K. Philip referred to a memo sent in the City Commission packet regarding the election and said the election is scheduled for January 25, 2014. A copy of the resolution was also included with the packet. The calendar for the election process showed that the drawing for the placement of names on the ballot was December 2, 2013, but the resolution showed December 6, 2013. City Secretary Ms. Olga Oberwetter said that the correct date should be Monday, December 2, and that she would correct the resolution to reflect that change. A discussion followed regarding the Commission terms and filling of vacancies. After discussion, Commissioner Angelica P. Baldivia moved to read the resolution by caption only, in lieu of reading it in its entirety. Commissioner Victor Gonzalez, Jr. seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present. City Attorney Mr. Richard S. Talbert read the caption of Resolution 2013-33. After reading of the caption, Commissioner John Betancourt moved to approve Resolution 2013-33 with the correction of the date from December 6 to December 2, 2013 ordering a Special Election in the City of La Feria on Saturday, January 25, 2014 to fill a vacancy of the Mayor's unexpired term which would have expired in May 2016. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO CANCEL THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 19, 2013 AND DECEMBER 3, 2013

City Manager Mr. Sunny K. Philip explained that there were no pressing items for the next two meetings and that due to a family member's illness, he would be out of the country and going home to India. Commissioner Angelica P. Baldivia moved to cancel the City Commission meetings of November 19, 2013 and December 3, 2013. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ATTENDANCE STATUS OF MAYOR AND/OR COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Angelica P. Baldivia moved to excuse Mayor Steve Brewer's absence from this meeting. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Lori Weaver declared the public comments session open. No one signed up to speak before the Commission, so Mayor Pro Tem Weaver declared the public comment session closed.

ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Commissioner John Betancourt moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Lori Weaver adjourned the meeting at 6:52 P.M.

APPROVED:



Lori Weaver, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria at 2:55 P.M. on December 15, 2013 as official record.



Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary



CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
AT THE
CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013, AT 6:30 PM

WELCOME
PLEASE SIGN IN

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2	Cetra Villanueva	" "	956 245-2578
3	Velma Betancourt	500 Liberty Lane	
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