

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
CITY COMMISSION  
Thursday, November 6, 2014**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in special session on **Thursday, November 6, 2014, at 5:30 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.

Mr. Victor Gonzalez, Jr.	Mayor
Mr. John Edward Betancourt	City Commissioner–Late: 5:47P.M.
Mr. John Hernandez	City Commissioner
Ms. Olga H. Maldonado	City Commissioner
Mr. Julian Guevara, Jr.	City Commissioner

Absent: Ms. Esmeralda Lozano City Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem

The following staff members were present.

Mr. Sunny K. Philip	City Manager
Mr. Richard S. Talbert	City Attorney
Ms. Maria Chavero	Finance Director
Ms. Paula Rodriguez	Planning and Community Dev. Dir.
Ms. Esmeralda Sanchez	Capital Projects Coordinator
Ms. Olga Oberwetter	City Secretary

The only other person present at this meeting was Alan Ozuna, Attorney with the law firm of Denton, Navarro and Bernal.

At 5:35 P.M., Mayor Victor Gonzalez, Jr. asked Commissioner Olga H. Maldonado to give the invocation. After the invocation, Mayor Gonzalez led everyone present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. He then declared that a quorum of the City Commission was present and called the meeting to order.

**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS LITIGATION, CAUSE 2014-DCL-07265, CONSUELO DE LA ROSA, LEONARDO MARTINEZ, JOSE GONZALEZ, BILLY GENE SCHWARZ, CAROL L. SCHWARZ VS. CITY OF LA FERIA IN THE 138TH DISTRICT COURT OF CAMERON COUNTY**

Mayor Victor Gonzalez, Jr. declared the meeting in Executive Session at 5:36 P.M. After Executive Session deliberations, Mayor Victor Gonzalez, Jr. declared the meeting back in open session at 6:34 P.M.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY AS THE RESULT OF EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION DELIBERATIONS**

Commissioner Olga H. Maldonado moved to approve the law firm of Denton, Navarro and Bernal to represent the City of La Feria in regards to Cause 2014-DCL-07265, Consuelo De La Rosa, Leonardo Martinez, Jose Gonzalez, Billy Gene Schwarz, Carol L. Schwarz vs. City of La Feria in the 138<sup>th</sup> District Court of Cameron County and proceed with the defense of the case as discussed in executive session. Commissioner Julian Guevara, Jr. 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 Julian Guevara, Jr. moved to excuse Commissioner Esmeralda Lozano's absence from this meeting. Commissioner John Hernandez seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Commissioners present.


**ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Commissioner Olga H. Maldonado 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 Victor Gonzalez, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 6:36 P.M.

**APPROVED:**

  
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 Victor Gonzalez, Jr., Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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 Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria at 6:09 P.M. on November 15, 2014, as official record.

  
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 Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary