

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, June 13, 2017**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017, 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.

DETERMINE QUORUM PRESENT AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER – MAYOR

Mayor Olga H. Maldonado declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Olga H. Maldonado	Mayor	Absent
Jesse Zuniga	Commissioner	Present
Eric Hoff	Commissioner	Present
Julian Guevara, Jr.	Commissioner	Present
Esmeralda Lozano	Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner	Present
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Present

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Jaime Sandoval, City Manager
Ms. Rebecca Hayward, City Attorney
Ms. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
Mr. Frank Rios, Finance Director

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no comments from the public.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Sandoval informed the Commission of the upcoming Independence Day Celebration scheduled for July 1, 2017 at the Veteran's Memorial Park/Sports Complex. He also announced that the RGV Vipers basketball team will be appearing at the Recreation Center on June 23, 2017.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD MAY 23, 2017.

Commissioner Guevara made a motion to approve all items under Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESOLUTION 2017-17 APPOINTING A MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE.

Commissioner Guevara nominated Commissioner Hoff to serve as Mayor Pro-Tempore. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO ENGAGE IN THE “ROAD-TO-RECYCLING” REGIONAL TIRE COLLECTION PROJECT.

Mr. Sandoval explained that the Road to Recycling project would allow citizens to take old tires to designated locations to be recycled at no cost. The interlocal agreement allows the City of La Feria to host one site for La Feria residents to donate up to four tires per person at a location within the City. They will also be able to drop tires at a location in Harlingen. Commissioner Hoff made a motion to approve the interlocal agreement with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council to engage in the Road-to-recycling regional tire collection project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guevara and passed unanimously.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ORDINANCE 2017-07 ALLOWING ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AT VETERAN’S MEMORIAL PARK/SPORTS COMPLEX ON JULY 1, 2017.

This ordinance will allow for residents to bring their own alcohol to the City’s Independence Day Celebration. Ms. Hayward read the caption of the ordinance. Commissioner Guevara made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-07 allowing alcohol consumption at Veteran’s Memorial Park/Sports Complex on July 1, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ORDINANCE 2017-08 AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING 12.02.037 TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON A PORTION OF EAST FIRST STREET.

The current speed limit on the street in question is 30 MPH, this ordinance will reduce it to 10 MPH. Ms. Hayward read the caption of the ordinance. Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve ordinance 2017-08 amending the Code of Ordinances by adding 12.02.037 to reduce the speed limit on a portion of East First Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoff and passed unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY RESOLUTION 2017-18 APPOINTING TWO NEW QUALIFIED MEMBERS TO THE LA FERIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD.

Commissioner Guevara made a motion to table this item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – THE COMMISSION WILL ENTER INTO CLOSED, EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- REAL ESTATE MATTERS AND ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.087 AND 551.071(2) TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE PURCHASE/LEASE/SALE/DONATION OF REAL ESTATE BY THE CITY OF LA FERIA AND ATTORNEY CONSULTATION REGARDING LEGAL DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF SAME.

- ATTORNEY CLIENT CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO §551.071(2) TEX. GOV’T CODE TO PROVIDE LEGAL ADVICE AND COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH LEGAL DUTIES AND OBLIGATION ARISING OUT OF A REQUEST FOR

RELEASE OF MUNICIPAL LIENS IN CONNECTION WITH THE TAX SALE OF LOT FIVE (5), BLOCK 13, LA FERIA ORIGINAL TOWN SITE, LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TX (309 PRIMROSE).

- ATTORNEY CLIENT CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO TEX. GOV. CODE §551.071(1) TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION STYLED SUNNY PHILLIP (PLAINTIFF/COUNTER-DEFENDANT) V. THE CITY OF LA FERIA (DEFENDANT/COUNTER-PLAINTIFF), 2016-CCL-01195.

- ATTORNEY CLIENT CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO TEX. GOVE. CODE §551.071(1) TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION STYLED CITY OF LA FERIA V. SUNNY K. PHILLIP, STCHD, STEM, ET. AL., 2017-DCL-02925.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lozano called the meeting into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 8:26 p.m.


13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

There was no action taken on this item.

14. ADJOURN.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Hoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guevara and passed unanimously.

APPROVED:


Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amanda Morales, City Secretary