

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 27, 2018**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, March 27, 2018 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	Present
Jesse Zuniga	Commissioner	Present
Eric Hoff	Mayor Pro-Tem/ Commissioner	Present
Julian Guevara, Jr.	Commissioner	Present
Esmeralda Lozano	Commissioner	Present
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Present

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD MARCH 13, 2018.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A NEGOTIATED RESOLUTION BETWEEN TEXAS GAS SERVICE REGARDING THE COMPANY'S COST OF SERVICE ADJUSTMENT TARIFF FILING.

Mr. Sandoval explained that Texas Gas Service had requested a large increase to their cost of service and after a lengthy legal battle involving several cities around the state, a settlement had been reached. This ordinance sets the rate that Texas Gas service is able to charge residents of La Feria using their service.

City Attorney Allison Bastian read the caption of the ordinance. Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-04 regarding an increase in rates for Texas Gas Service customers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON TO PROMOTE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION EDUCATION PROGRAM- EDUCATION THROUGH THE HIRING OF A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER.

Alma Ochoa-del Toro of UT Health Science Center at Houston addressed the commission about a program that would allow the City to hire a Community Health Worker to serve the citizens of La Feria. The employee would be hired through the City and be an employee of the City and UT Health Science Center would reimburse their salary and provide all training and materials required for them to operate within the program. The Community Health Worker would supervise health screenings and follow up with citizens to monitor their progress. The program also includes exercise programs like Zumba, weight training, and low impact cardio workouts for citizens participating in the program. Mayor Pro-Tem Hoff made a motion to enter into a service agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston to promote supplemental Nutrition Education Program-Education through the hiring of a community health worker with the stipulation that UT Health Science Center provide 25% of the funding up front to implement the program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guevara and passed unanimously.

9. PRESENTATION OF MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT.

Mr. Rios presented the financial report for the month of February 2018. He noted that the revenues for the month were \$223,961 and expenditures were \$270,023 for the same period. There was no action on this item.

Mayor Maldonado called the meeting into closed session at 7:02 p.m.

10. CLOSED SESSION:

- **ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071, TEXAS GOV'T CODE, IN CONNECTION WITH PENDING LITIGATION STYLED AND NUMBERED, CITY OF LA FERIA VS. STCHDI, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. 2017-DCL-02925 (107TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT - CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS) AND THE PENDING LITIGATION STYLED AND NUMBERED PHILIP V LA FERIA, CAUSE NO. 2016- CCL-01195-B (CCL#2 - CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS)**

There was no action taken during Closed Session.

Mayor Maldonado called the meeting back to order at 7:15 p.m.

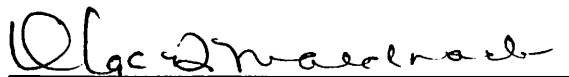
11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

There was no action on this item.

12. ADJOURN.


There being no further business to discuss Mayor Pro-Tem Hoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lozano and passed unanimously.

APPROVED:



 Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



 Amanda Morales, City Secretary