

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Tuesday, August 24, 2021**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.** in the La City Commission Meeting Room, 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.

3. DETERMINE QUORUM PRESENT AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER – MAYOR

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

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

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Jaime Sandoval, City Manager
Ms. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
Mr. Frank Rios, Finance Director
Mr. Juan Ortiz, Planning Director

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comment from the public.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 10, 2021.**
- b. **APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY.**

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

6. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE FORMATION OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT #6 AND PROPOSED PROJECTS.

County Commissioner Gus Ruiz addressed the Commission regarding the formation of a drainage district to serve La Feria and surrounding areas. He explained that the next step of the process will be an election to be held in November where the community will have the opportunity to vote on whether to establish the Drainage District. Engineer Robert Cheska spoke about the various project that will be done to alleviate flooding in the area if the drainage district is approved. Other public meetings will be held leading up to the

election for the public to get more information on this project. There was no action taken on this item.

7. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2021-16 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD.**

There was no action taken on this item.

8. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ON ORDINANCE 2021-03 EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA BY APPROVING THE VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF 12.7700 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 1801 SOUTH RABB ROAD, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.**

Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-03 extending the corporate limits of the City of La Feria by approving the voluntary annexation of 12.7700 acres of land located at 1801 South Rabb Road, Cameron County, Texas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

9. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (ENGINEERING) AGREEMENT WITH AMBIOTEC CIVIL ENGINEERING GROUP FOR THE USDA PRE-DEVELOPMENT PLANNING GRANT.**

Mr. Sandoval explained that this item was part of the process for a forty-thousand-dollar grant for drainage improvements. The project will alleviate flooding problems in the downtown area. Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve a professional services (Engineering) agreement with Ambiotec Civil Engineering Group for the USDA pre-development planning grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

10. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADVERTISE FOR REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR INSURANCE AGENT OF RECORD FOR HEALTH, LIFE, AD&D AND SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCES.**

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to authorize staff to advertise for requests for qualifications for insurance agent of record for Health, Life, AD&D and supplemental insurances. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and approved unanimously.

11. **ADJOURN.**


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

APPROVED:



 Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



 Amanda Morales, City Secretary