

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 23, 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 Maldonado declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

| Attendee Name | Title | Status |
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| Olga H. Maldonado | Mayor | Present |
| Maricela Zuniga | Commissioner | Present |
| Devin Martinez | Commissioner | Present |
| Julian Guevara, Jr. | Mayor Pro-Tem/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. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
Ms. Rebecca Hayward, City Attorney

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 9, 2021.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve the items under consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara and passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO EXTEND DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PERTAINING OUT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES ARISING OUT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to extend a declaration of local disaster pertaining to the public health emergency pertaining out of public health issues arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lozano and passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION RECEIVED FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

Mr. Sandoval explained that two responses were received in response to a request for qualifications for operation of the city's water and wastewater facilities and lift stations. The two companies that responded are US Water and Inframark. He explained that the company that the Commission chooses to negotiate with at this time will still have to present a proposal that fits within the city budget. The process is still ongoing and if an agreement can not be reached that benefits the City, a contract will not be executed. After a panel reviewed the statement of qualifications received, staff is recommending US Water. Commissioner Lozano made a motion to proceed with negotiations with US Water. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

8. **ADJOURN.**

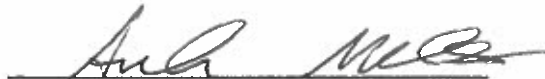
There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

APPROVED:



Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary