

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.** in the La Feria Recreation Center, 901 Pancho Maples, 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
Olga H. Maldonado	Mayor	Present
Jesse Zuniga	Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner	Present
Devin Martinez	Commissioner	Absent
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. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
 Mr. Cesar Diaz, Police Chief
 Mr. Alfonso Rodriguez, Public Works Director
 Mr. Frank Rios, Finance Director
 Ms. Angela Garza, Events Coordinador

5. CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS:

A. PRESENTATION OF DONATION CHECK TO THE CITY OF LA FERIA FROM THE ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA FOR THE RGV FOOD BANK AND THE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE COLLECTED FROM THE FIESTA DE LA FERIA CAR SHOW.

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

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2020.

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

7. PRESENTATION OF CAMERON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT PROCLAMATION HONORING THE CITY OF LA FERIA ON ITS ASSISTANCE DURING THE SUMMER 2019 SEVERE FLOODING.

Precinct 4 County Commissioner Gus Ruiz, and County Judge Eddie Trevino, Jr. presented a framed proclamation honoring the work done by the city of La Feria Police, Fire and Public Works employees during the flooding in the summer of 2019. Commissioner Ruiz noted that more than 600 people were rescued from flooded homes by the City of La Feria employees in La Feria, Santa Rosa, Primera and other rural areas. There was no action taken on this item

8. PRESENTATION REGARDING CITY EVENTS.

Ms. Garza informed the Commission of the revenues and expenses for the Fiesta de La Feria held on February 15, 2020. She noted that there were more vendors this year than last year and that sponsorships doubled from last year. Overall it was a very successful event and Ms. Garza noted that there were some improvements she hoped to make to next year's event. Mayor Maldonado thanked Ms. Garza for her work in making the event a success. There was no action taken on this item.

9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-03 CANCELLING THE GENERAL ELECTION SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2020 FOR THE POSITIONS OF COMMISSIONER PLACE 3, PLACE 4 AND PLACE 5.

Commissioner Guevara made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-03 canceling the general election scheduled to be held on May 2, 2020 for the positions of Commissioner Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lozano and passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2020-02 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE GOVERNOR'S CJ POLICE EQUIPMENT GRANT 2020.

Mr. Sandoval noted that the grant would provide new radio equipment and tasers for the Police Department and required no matching funds from the city. Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-02 authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Governor's CJ Police Equipment Grant 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH RGE FOR USDA COMMUNITY FACILITIES LOAN IN RELATION TO ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES.

Mr. Sandoval explained that this was the final requirement from USDA for the project that includes construction of a new Police department building, Public Works

Warehouse facility and street and drainage improvements. Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve a professional services contract with RGE for USDA Community Facilities loan in relation to architectural and engineering services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-04 AMENDING THE CITY OF LA FERIA CODE OF ORDINANCES AS IT RELATES TO THE REGULATION AND ZONING OF GAME HALLS.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to table this item. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Zuniga and passed unanimously.

13. ADJOURN.


There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Pro-Tem Zuniga 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