

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Tuesday, August 12, 2025**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Special Session on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. in the 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
Olga H. Maldonado	Mayor	Present
Maricela Zuniga	Commissioner	Absent
Michael Martinez	Commissioner	Present
Julian Guevara, Jr.	Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner	Absent
Esmeralda Lozano	Commissioner	Present
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Present

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Frank Rios, Jr., City Manager
Mr. Alfonso Rodriguez, Public works Director
Mr. Luis Castillo, Finance Director
Mr. Cesar Diaz, Police Chief
Mr. Rodrigo Davila, Planning Director
Ms. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
Ms. Allison Bastian-Rodriguez, City Attorney

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no comments during this item.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD JULY 29, 2025.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to postpone this item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

6. PROCLAMATION COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF UTRGV.

Mr. Rios read the proclamation. There was no action taken on this item.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2025-05 APPROVING HOLIDAYS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-05 approving holidays for fiscal year 2025-2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED TAX RATE CALCULATION FOR TAX YEAR 2025 (FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026) AND SET DATES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE CITY FY 2025-26 BUDGET AND TAX RATE.

The proposed tax rate is 0.74 per \$1,000 valuation. The public hearings on the tax rate and budget will be held on September 16th and 23rd. Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve the proposed tax rate

calculation for tax year 2025 (FY 2025-2026) and set dates for public hearings on the 2025-26 budget and tax rate. Commissioner Martinez seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT WITH CAMERON COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT FOR ELECTION SERVICES RELATED TO THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025, SPECIAL CHARTER AMENDMENT ELECTION.

Commissioner Lozano read a written statement, which will be attached to these minutes. Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve the agreement with Cameron County Elections Department for election services related to the November 4, 2025 special charter amendment election. The motion was seconded by commissioner Garcia. Commissioners Martinez and Garcia voted in favor of the motion and Commissioner Lozano voted against it. The motion passed.

10. CLOSED SESSION:

- a. **ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SEC. 551.071, TEX. GOV'T CODE, TO DEBRIEF THE CITY ON 2025 LEGISLATION AFFECTING TAX AND BUDGET ADOPTION; THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; AND THE TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT.**
- b. **ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SEC. 551.071, TEX. GOV'T CODE, TO BRIEF THE CITY ON ITS RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS IN THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LA FERIA AND U.R. HOME TEXAS, LLC, AND RELATED PROPOSED ANNEXATION.**

There was no action taken during closed session.

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11. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND ANNEXATION WITH U.R. HOMES TEXAS, LLC.

There was no action taken on this item.

12. ADJOURN.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

/S/ Olga Maldonado

Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:

/S/ Amanda Morales

Amanda Morales, City Secretary