

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM**

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 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.
attend.

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

Staff present:

Mr. Frank Rios, Jr., City Manager

Mr. Luis Castillo, Finance Director

Ms. Allison Bastian-Rodriguez, City Attorney

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made during this item.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 24, 2026.

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to approve the item under consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ITEMS RELATED TO 2025 TEXAS CDBG PROGRAM, GRANT AGREEMENT NUMBER CDV25-0135:

a. RESOLUTION 2026-03 TO DESIGNATE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES

b. RESOLUTION 2026-04 ADOPTING REQUIRED CDBG CIVIL RIGHTS POLICIES.

c. PROCLAIM APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve all items related to 2025 Texas CDBG program, Grant Agreement Number CDV25-0135. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY INPUT ON ZONE CHANGE REQUESTS:

a. CCAD PROPERTY ID 183126, RECOGNIZED AS ABST-10 SOLIS SUBDIVISION, BLOCK 22, LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS FROM C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

b. CCAD PROPERTY ID 86368 & 86367, RECOGNIZED AS THE NORTH ONE-HALF (1/2) OF LOTS 17-19, BLOCK "F", NORTHEAST ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF LA FERIA FROM C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Mayor Maldonado opened the public hearings at 6:34 pm. There were no comments from the audience and the public hearings were closed at 6:35pm.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS RELATED TO ZONE CHANGE REQUESTS:

a. ORDINANCE 2026-05 APPROVING THE REZONING OF CCAD PROPERTY ID 183126, RECOGNIZED AS ABST-10 SOLIS SUBDIVISION, BLOCK 22, LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS FROM C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO R-1 SINGLE FAMILY

RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-05 rezoning CCAD property ID 183126, recognized as ABST-10 Solis Subdivision, Block 22, La Feria, Cameron County, Texas from C-2 general commercial district to R-1 single family residential district. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

b. ORDINANCE 2026-06 APPROVING THE REZONING OF CCAD PROPERTY ID 86368 & 86367, RECOGNIZED AS THE NORTH ONE-HALF (1/2) OF LOTS 17-19, BLOCK "F", NORTH EAST ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF LA FERIA FROM C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-06 rezoning CCAD property ID 86368 & 86367, recognized as the North one-half (1/2) of lots 17-19, block "F", North East Addition, to the City Of La Feria from C-2 general commercial district to R-3 single family residential district. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

9. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT (LATE HOURS PERMIT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11886 W. HIGHWAY 83, DOING BUSINESS AS THE RUSTY BUCKET SALOON, IN LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Mayor Maldonado opened the public hearing at 6:38 pm. The owners of the Rusty Bucket Saloon addressed the Commission regarding their plans for the business. The public hearing was closed at 6:41pm.

10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT (LATE HOURS PERMIT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11886 W. HIGHWAY 83, DOING BUSINESS AS THE RUSTY BUCKET SALOON, IN LA FERIA, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve the Specific Use Permit (Late Hours Permit) for the property located at 11886 W. Highway 83, doing business as The Rusty Bucket Saloon, in La Feria, Cameron County, Texas. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara and passed unanimously.

11. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE REGARDING DOWNTOWN DRAINAGE PROJECT BY GARVER ENGINEERING.

A Representative of Garber Engineering explained the plan for alleviating flooding with the downtown drainage project. There was no action taken on this item.

12. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2026-05 AUTHORIZING OPERATION STONEGARDEN PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AND ACCEPTING FUNDING.

Captain Cisneros explained that the grant award included funds for both overtime pay for officers and the purchase of a new vehicle. Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05 authorizing Operation Stonegarden program grant application and accepting funding.

13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2026-06 AUTHORIZING LOCAL BORDER SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AND ACCEPTING FUNDING.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-06 authorizing Local Border Security Program grant application and accepting funding. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara and passed unanimously.

14. CLOSED SESSION:

- **CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, FOR CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING THE CITY'S LEGAL RIGHTS, DUTIES, AND OBLIGATIONS, AND POTENTIAL LEGAL ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SALE OF DELTA-8 PRODUCTS BY BUSINESSES LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LA FERIA.**

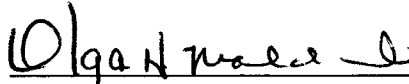
There was no action taken during closed session.

Reconvene in Open Session

15. ADJOURN.


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

APPROVED:



Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary