



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF PEARSALL
SPECIAL MEETING
July 11, 2017**

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. CALL TO ORDER: called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

3. ROLL CALL AND ANOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Moore, Mayor

Julian Hernandez, Mayor Pro Tem

Brenda Treviño, Council Member Arrived at 7:01 pm

Mando Martinez, Council Member

Aurora Garza, Council Member Sworn in at 7:04

Ben Briscoe, Council Member

Robert Villarreal, Council Member

Chris Valadez, Council Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Jackson, City Manager

Krystal Garcia, City Clerk

Denise Martinez, City Attorney

Josie Carrizales, Finance Director

Xavier Antu, Public Works Director

Ruben Frausto, Human Resource Director

Peter Salinas, Chief of Police

Ramiro Otero, Parks and Rec Director

Cleo Garcia, Tourism and Business Development Director

Noemi Flores, Municipal Court Judge

Rudy Carrizales, Gas Superintendent

Rudy Olivares, Street Supervisor

Conrad Banda, Water/Waste Water Director

Mayor Mary Moore announced that there was a quorum and proceeded with the meeting.

4. INVOCATIONS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation Lead by: Dave Richey

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by all present

5. Citizens To Be Heard

None

6. Presentation

A. Swearing in of newly appointed Council Member Aurora Garza.

Municipal Court Judge Noemi Flores swore in Ms. Aurora Garza to vacant

council seat 3. Councilwoman Aurora Garza took her seat after being sworn in.

7. Action To Consent Agenda

A. Discussion and Approval of City Council Minutes for June 13, 2017.

Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez Motioned to Approve the minutes, Second by Councilman Robert Villarreal. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

8. New Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action regarding pending applications for City of Pearsall Boards and Commissions.

City Manager Charles Jackson reviewed the applications with the Council. He recommended Daniel Carbajal and Timothy Montgomery be approved for the Tourism and Business Development Board and Roy Ruiz for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez Motioned to Approve said recommendations, Second by Councilman Robert Villarreal. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

B. Discussion and Possible Action regarding City of Pearsall Regional Park Master Plan.

City Manager Charles Jackson provided a PowerPoint presentation for the Council detailing different stages of the possible City of Pearsall Regional Park Master Plan.

Councilman Chris Valadez Motioned to Table the item, Second by Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

C. Discussion and Possible Action regarding a special meeting to be held on July 17, 2017 for the purpose of Reviewing and Approving the employee insurance package for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

City Manager Charles Jackson announced the RFPs for employee insurance package for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year would be entertained on July 17, 2017.

Councilman Mando Martinez Motioned to Approve the date, Second by Councilman Robert Villarreal. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

D. Discussion and Possible action regarding Susan Ruiz-Belding's request for "Neighborhood Watch" signs.

Ms. Susan Ruiz-Belding along with fellow neighborhood watch members presented Council with documentation outlining the measures they take to ensure the safety of their neighborhood.

The Council decided guidelines would have to be put in place before action could be taken.

Councilman Chris Valadez Motioned to take no action on the item, Second by Councilwoman Brenda Trevino. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

E. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Rosa Longoria's request for speed bumps on Pecos Street.

Ms. Rosa Longoria was not present to speak on the item. Chief of Police Peter Salinas informed the Council that due to the lack of stop signs or speed bumps Pecos St. is a problem area for speeders and races.

City Manager Charles Jackson stated speed bumps may cost as much as \$1500 each and added that stop signs may help the area. He assured the Council he would look in to the budget to see if it's possible this fiscal year.

F. Report and Discussion regarding dilapidated buildings.

Public Works Director Xavier Antu provided an update on the current status of dilapidated buildings cited in town. He also advised the Council he has been working on a more thorough ordinance to allow enforcement on abandoned buildings.

G. Update on the Codification Project.

City Attorney Denise Martinez advised the Council that they are reviewing footnotes provided by Municode in order to complete the project.

9. Manager's Report

City Manager Charles Jackson read his report aloud which included the post report for the 4th of July festival, updates on the City of Pearsall's Business Forum, Employee Insurance RFP, TCMA report, Special Legislative Session and Consumer Confidence Report.

10. Review of Bills Paid

The Council did not have questions for this item.

11. City Council Inquiries For Staff And/Or Items For Future Agendas – NO DISCUSSION OR ACTION ON ANY OF THESE ITEMS AT THIS TIME.

Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez requested rate comparisons for ACI from surrounding cities. Councilman Mando Martinez and Councilwoman Brenda Trevino supported the inquiry.

Mayor Mary Moore requested guidelines regarding "Neighborhood Watch" signs. Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez and Councilman Robert Villarreal supported this inquiry.

12. General Announcements

City Manager Charles Jackson announced the details for the Business Forum. He announced TML registration and urged the Council to inform the City Clerk if they plan to attend. He informed the Council that their Audit surveys needed to be turned in. Chief of Police Peter Salinas announced the details regarding unveiling of the new sign at the PD in tribute to the late Chief Martinez.

13. Adjournment

Upon a Motion by Councilman Chris Valadez and there being no further business before the Council the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of August, 2017.

Mary Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Krystal Garcia, City Clerk