



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF PEARSALL
SPECIAL MEETING
March 28, 2016**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mary Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND ANOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Moore, Mayor

James H. Leal, Council Member

Alex Hernandez, Council Member

Julian Hernandez, Mayor Pro Tem

Ben Briscoe, Council Member

Toby Lopez, Jr., Council Member

Mando Martinez, Council Member Arrived at 7:07pm

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Jackson, City Manager

Krystal Garcia, City Clerk

Bobby Maldonado, City Attorney

Monique Diaz, City Attorney

Rudy Alvarez, Finance Director

Ruben Frausto, Human Resource Director

Xavier Antu, Community Development Director

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

3. INVOCATIONS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation Lead by: Dave Richey

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by all present

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Dave Richey provided an update on the Market Days Event and asked for the Council to take part in the event.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Consider and/or Approve the Frio Pioneer Jail Museum's request for financial assistance for the Frio Pioneer Day festivities.

Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez Motioned to Untable the item, Second by Councilman Toby Lopez, Jr. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous

After a brief discussion, Councilman James Leal Motioned to deny the request from the Frio Pioneer Jail Museum, Second by Councilman Toby Lopez, Jr.. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

B. Discuss Hunter's Festival Model, Consider and/or Approve HOT Tax Funds request by Noelda Garcia.

Councilman Ben Briscoe Motioned to Untable the item, Second by Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

After some discussion of the item Councilman James Leal Motioned to Approve the item with the stipulation that the City take over the event and the budget not to exceed \$40,000 and if so, to bring it back to Council for Approval. Second by Councilman Toby Lopez, Jr.. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion regarding Hotel/Motel Tax Guidelines.

City Manager Charles Jackson and City Attorney Bobby Maldonado explained the proposed Hotel/Motel Tax Guidelines to the Council.

B. Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 2016-03-05 to Adopt Hotel/Motel Tax Guidelines.

Councilman James Leal Motioned to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-05 with the addition of the clause for City Sponsored events to be exempt from the guidelines, Second by Ben Briscoe. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

C. Discussion and Approval to pay legal counsel litigation invoice.

Bobby Maldonado reviewed the invoice with the Council. Councilman James Leal Motioned to Approve to pay legal counsel, Second by Councilman Toby Lopez, Jr.. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

D. Consider and act to correct and/or reconsider the vote on proposed city charter amendment regarding the appointment of the city attorney.

Councilman James Leal stated the Council did not want to change the current process of appointing the City Attorney. Councilman Ben Briscoe Motioned to deny Proposition 26, Second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION- NONE

8. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Charles Jackson announced Xavier Antu is the new Public Works Director.

City Manager Charles Jackson provided the Council with information from the meeting with TCEQ.

Mayor Pro Tem wnates to publish a City Manager Report online and in the paper.

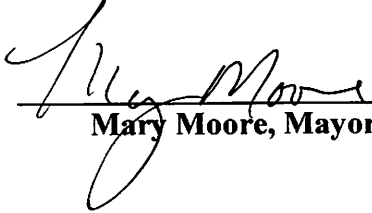
City Attorney Monique Diaz suggested a section for Council Meetings for the Council to voice suggestions and questions.

Councilman James Leal reminded everyone in attendance to attend Market Days on April 2nd.

ADJOURNMENT

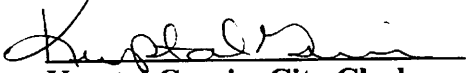
There being no further business before the council the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Approved this 12th day of April, 2016.



Mary Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:



Krystal Garcia, City Clerk