



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF PEARSALL
SPECIAL MEETING
February 1, 2016**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mary Moore called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND ANOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Moore, Mayor
James H. Leal, Mayor Pro Tem
Mando Martinez, Council Member
Julian Hernandez, Council Member
Ben Briscoe, Council Member
Toby Lopez, Jr., Council Member

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Alex Hernandez

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Xavier Antu, Interim City Manager
Krystal Garcia, City Clerk
Bobby Maldonado, City Attorney
Rudy Alvarez, Finance Director
Ruben Frausto, Human Resource Director
Rudy Olivarez, Streets Supervisor
Rudy Carrizales, Gas Superintendent

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

3. INVOCATIONS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation Lead by: Ben Briscoe

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by all present

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Noelda Garcia- Wants to host a Cinco de Mayo Celebration and wanted to give notice that they will be requesting to be put on the agenda for a road closure.

J.M. Lindsey- Mr. Lindsey gave praise to the council for doing a wonderful job and wanted to state that there have been more requests for property than before the oil boom took place.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of "Appreciation Plaques" to Sylvia Rodriguez, Jose "Pepe" Treviño, and Odelia Villarreal.

Mayor Mary Moore presented plaques to former Councilwoman Odelia Villarreal and Former Interim City Manager Jose "Pepe" Treviño. Former City Attorney Sylvia Rodriguez was not in attendance.

B. Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 2016-02-01 to Appoint a Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayor Pro Tem James Leal Opened the floor for nominations.

Mayor Pro Tem Nominated Councilman Julian Hernandez.

Councilman Ben Briscoe Ceased nominations.

Mayor Pro Tem motioned to Approved Resolution No. 2016-02-01, Second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

C. Discuss and Consider and Adopt Resolution No. 2016-02-02 to designate authorized signatories for the 2015 Texas CDBG Program Contract 7215370.

Interim City Manager Xavier Antu explained to the council items C, D, and E are additional items needed to complete the process for the grant awarded to the City back in December.

Councilman James Leal motioned to Approve Resolution No. 2016-02-02, second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

D. Discuss and Consider and Approve Resolution No. 2016-02-03 adopting required CDBG Civil Rights policies.

Councilman James Leal motioned to Approve Resolution No. 2016-02-03, second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

E. Discuss and Consider Proclaiming April as Fair Housing Month.

Councilman Toby Lopez Jr. motioned to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month, second by Councilman James Leal. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

F. Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 2016-01-11 to Approve MuniGas cash payment terms.

Councilman James Leal motioned to Untable the item, second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Interim City Manager Xavier Antu advised the council that he spoke with two MuniGas agents who declined the request for a representative to attend a council meeting and better explain the terms of the agreement.

Councilman James Leal motioned to Table the item to allow City Attorney Bobby Maldonado to review the contract. Motion second by Councilman Ben Briscoe. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION- In accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Subchapter D: Section 551.071 &551.074.

At 7:22 pm Councilman Ben Briscoe motioned to go into Executive Session, Second by Councilman James Leal. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

- A. Discuss and Consider appointing a City Manager subject to negotiating a contract.**
- B. Discuss and Consider authorizing the Mayor and City Attorney to negotiate a contract with the appointed City Manager for City Council consideration.**

Upon the Council's return to chambers at 7:38 pm Councilman James Leal motioned to return to Regular Session, Second by Mayor Pro Tem Julian Hernandez. The vote in favor of the Motion was unanimous.

Mayor announced No Action was taken during Executive Session.

7. Discuss and Consider appointing a City Manager subject to negotiating a contract.

Councilman James Leal motioned to appoint Charles "Tink" Jackson for City Manager subject to negotiating a contract, Second by Councilman Ben Briscoe. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

8. Discuss and Consider authorizing the Mayor and the City Attorney to negotiate a contract with the appointed City Manager for City Council consideration.

Councilman James Leal motioned to authorize the Mayor and the City Attorney to negotiate a contract with the appointed City Manager, Charles Jackson, for City Council consideration. Motion second by Councilman Mando Martinez. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interim City Manager advised the council that he spoke with Mr. Mercado in regards to severing his contract with the City.

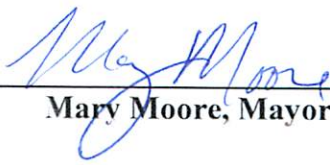
Councilman Ben Briscoe wants updates on the Sewer Plant at every Regular Meeting.

Mayor Mary Moore requested to put Gilliam Road on the agenda after speaking with Commissioner Salinas.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the council and upon a motion by Councilman Ben Briscoe the meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Approved this 8th day of March, 2016.


Mary Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:


Krystal Garcia, City Clerk