

City Council

520 E Ocean Blvd.

Regular Meeting

Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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Tuesday, April 9, 2024

6:00 PM

City Hall

Agenda

- A. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Alejandro Flores.

- B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mark Milum gave Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors remarks-To speak you must sign in with the City Secretary prior to the meeting you have a limit of 5 minutes to speak.

There were none.

Consent Agenda (All matters listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the City Council. The item may subsequently be removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.)

Mayor Flores asked the council if they had any questions on the consent agenda items. There were none.

Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from March 12, 2024 and March 26, 2024.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from March 12, 2024 and March 26, 2024.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from March 12, 2024 and March 26, 2024., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve an update Employee Policy Manual to include Military Leave Policy.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve an updated Employee Policy Manual to include Military Leave Policy.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve an update Employee Policy Manual to include Military Leave Policy., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve CDC action to provide funding for the Los Fresnos Little League.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve CDC action to provide funding for the Los Fresnos Little League.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve CDC action to provide funding for the Los Fresnos Little League., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 2, 2024 as National Day of Prayer in the City of Los Fresnos.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring May 2, 2024 as National Day of Prayer in the City of Los Fresnos.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 2, 2024 as National Day of Prayer in the City of Los Fresnos., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation for National Hurricane Preparedness Week May 5-May 11, 2024.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation for National Hurricane Preparedness Week May 5-May 11, 2024.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation for National Hurricane Preparedness Week May 5-May 11, 2024., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in the City of Los Fresnos.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in the City of Los Fresnos., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2024 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and declaring the week of May 12-18, 2024 as National Police Week in the City of Los Fresnos.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2024 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and declaring the week of May 12-18, 2024 as National Police Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2024 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and declaring the week of May 12-18, 2024 as National Police Week in the City of Los Fresnos., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week in the City of Los Fresnos.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25, 2024 as National Public Works Week in the City of Los Fresnos., seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Action Items

Consideration and ACTION to approve the first and second reading of Ordinance 557 adopting the updated Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan.Adopted

Mr. Milum explained the council had previously changed the water conservation plan restrictions. The Water Conservation and Drought Contingency plan are updated about every five years and submitted to TCEQ.

Mr. Milum thanked Public Works Manager, Raul Garcia for all his hard work.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the first and second reading of Ordinance 557 adopting the updated Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan.

Luis Gonzalez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve the first and second reading of Ordinance 557 adopting the updated Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan., seconded by Gabriela Fernandez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve an update Employee Policy Manual to include the Confidentiality Policy.Adopted

Mr. Milum explained the policy was mandated by the Supreme Court and gave a brief summary about the agreement.

Mr. Milum answered questions from the council.

Motion was made and seconded to approve an update Employee Policy Manual to include the Confidentiality Policy.

Juan Munoz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve an update Employee Policy Manual to include the Confidentiality Policy., seconded by Alberto Escobedo the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Larry Meade from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting.Adopted

Mr. Milm answered questions about Mr. Meads absences.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Larry Meade from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Juan Munoz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Larry Meade from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting., seconded by Alberto Escobedo the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Javier Rodriguez from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Javier Rodriguez from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Juan Munoz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Javier Rodriguez from the March 18, 2024 Planning and Zoning meeting., seconded by Gabriela Fernandez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Luis Gonzalez from the March 12, 2024 City Council meeting.Adopted

Mayor Flores voiced his concern about Council member Luis Gonzalez absences. Mayor Flores and Council Member Gonzalez discussed the absences.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Luis Gonzalez from the March 12, 2024 City Council meeting.

Juan Munoz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Luis Gonzalez from the March 12, 2024 City Council meeting., seconded by Alberto Escobedo the vote was [3 to 1].

Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Juan Munoz from the March 26, 2024 City Council special meeting.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Juan Munoz from the March 26, 2024 City Council special meeting.

Alberto Escobedo made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Juan Munoz from the March 26, 2024 City Council special meeting., seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Acknowledgement of City Manager's Report

City Manager Report A. Waste Water Collection System & Upgrade B. Water Treatment Plant Expansion C. Street Project D. Drainage E. Whipple Road F. COVID-19 G. Veteran's Memorial H. Water Funding I. Wastewater Funding J. Boys & Girls Club Quarterly ReportAdopted

Mr. Milum provided the council with a spreadsheet with detailed information on all the ongoing projects to match the items listed on the agenda. Mr. Milum reviewed the projects and answered questions from the council.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve City Manager Report A. Waste Water Collection System & Upgrade B. Water Treatment Plant Expansion C. Street Project D. Drainage E. Whipple Road F. COVID-19 G. Veteran's Memorial H. Water Funding I. Wastewater Funding J. Boys & Girls Club Quarterly Report, seconded by Juan Munoz the vote was [Unanimous].

Acknowledgement of Department Head Reports

Mayor Flores asked the council if they had any questions on the department head reports. There were none.

Financial Report 1. Monthly 2. Year to Date 3. Sales TaxAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Financial Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Financial Report 1. Monthly 2. Year to Date 3. Sales Tax, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Public Works Report 1. Water and Wastewater Activity 2. Calls for Service 3. Building Permits 4. Recycling 5. Waste Water Treatment Plant Discharge Monitoring ReportAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Public Works Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Public Works Report 1. Water and Wastewater Activity 2. Calls for Service 3. Building Permits 4. Recycling 5. Waste Water Treatment Plant Discharge Monitoring Report, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Police Department March 2024 1. Calls-By Type 2. Calls-By Date & Time 3. Incidents-By Violation 4. Arrests-By Type 5. Accidents-By Streets & Intersection February 2024 1. Magistrates 2. Index Crimes by ZoneAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Police Department Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Police Department March 2024 1. Calls-By Type 2. Calls-By Date & Time 3. Incidents-By Violation 4. Arrests-By Type 5. Accidents-By Streets & Intersection February 2024 1. Magistrates 2. Index Crimes by Zone, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Municipal Court 1. City Monthly Report- February 2. Linebarger Monthly Report - FebruaryAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Municipal Court Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Municipal Court 1. City Monthly Report- February 2. Linebarger Monthly Report - February, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Library Report 1. Monthly ReportAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Library Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Library Report 1. Monthly Report, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly ReportAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Fire Marshal's Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly Report, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

EMS Report 1. Quarterly report JAN FEB MARAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the EMS Report.

Gabriela Fernandez made a motion to approve EMS Report 1. Quarterly report JAN FEB MAR, seconded by Luis Gonzalez the vote was [Unanimous].

Closed Session

**Closed Session in accordance to Section 551.071, the Texas Open Meetings Act
Consultation with Attorney - to deliberate pending or contemplated litigation.**No Action

made a motion to approve Closed Session in accordance to Section 551.071, the Texas Open Meetings Act Consultation with Attorney - to deliberate pending or contemplated litigation., seconded by the vote was .

Open Session – Deliberation and possible action regarding the following:

**Open Session in accordance to Section 551.071, the Texas Open Meetings Act. Deliberation
and possible ACTION regarding consultation with Attorney on pending or contemplated
litigation.**No Action

made a motion to approve Open Session in accordance to Section 551.071, the Texas Open Meetings Act. Deliberation and possible ACTION regarding consultation with Attorney on pending or contemplated litigation., seconded by the vote was .

J. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 6:21 PM.

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder