

City Council

520 E Ocean Blvd.

Regular Meeting

Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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Tuesday, October 12, 2021

6:00 PM

City Hall

Agenda

- A. Call meeting to order

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor 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.

Member of the Los Fresnos Rodeo committee Larry Cantu was present. He explained to the council how the proposed venue by Cameron County could possibly affect the Los Fresnos Rodeo.

He then presented the Council with a plaque and thanked them for their sponsorship in the 2021 Los Fresnos Cowboy Cook-Off.

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 or comments on the consent agenda. There were none.

Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from September 20 & 21, 2021. Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from September 20 & 21, 2021. Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from September 20 & 21, 2021., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring November 1-5, 2021 as Municipal Court Week. Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring November 1-5, 2021 as Municipal Court Week.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring November 1-5, 2021 as Municipal Court Week., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 10-2021 adopting the Investment Policy and Strategies for fiscal year 2021/2022.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-2021 adopting the Investment Policy and Strategies for fiscal year 2021/2022.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 10-2021 adopting the Investment Policy and Strategies for fiscal year 2021/2022., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 8-2021 authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) project.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 8-2021 authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) project.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 8-2021 authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) project., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 11-2021 accepting the work under contract with Ferguson Service Systems, Inc. as being complete and in accordance with the plans, specifications, and all approved change orders.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 11-2021 accepting the work under contract with Ferguson Service Systems, Inc. as being complete and in accordance with the plans, specifications, and all approved change orders.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve Resolution 11-2021 accepting the work under contract with Ferguson Service Systems, Inc. as being complete and in accordance with the plans, specifications, and all approved change orders., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve Change Order No. 5 Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks System Improvements.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve Change Order No. 5 Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks System Improvements.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve Change Order No. 5 Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks System Improvements., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Action Items

Consideration and ACTION to approve a Resolution 9-2021 by the city council of the City of Los Fresnos, County of Cameron, State of Texas to express its support of the efforts to improve the quality of life within our community and to enhance local opportunities to host large concerts, major attractions and community events such as graduation ceremonies as well as enhance the economic stimulus that will benefit all businesses within our region and county that provide for hospitality and entertainment services.Defeated

Judge Eddie Trevino and Commissioner David Garza were present.

Judge Trevino presented to the council a PowerPoint presentation with information on the proposed venue. The presentation included how the project would be funded, the benefits, ballot wording, and other projects in the county similar to the venue. Mr. Trevino also addressed Mr. Cantu's comments about the Los Fresnos Rodeo.

Commissioner Garza explained to the council how the City of Los Fresnos has partnered with the county on previous project such as transportation, and gave details explanation on how the venue would be funded.

Judge Trevino and Commissioner Garza answered questions for the council and discussed the proposed project.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a Resolution 9-2021 by the city council of the City of Los Fresnos, County of Cameron, State of Texas to express its support of the efforts to improve the quality of life within our community and to enhance local opportunities to host large concerts, major attractions and community events such as graduation ceremonies as well as enhance the economic stimulus that will benefit all businesses within our region and county that provide for hospitality and entertainment services., seconded by Ray Ortiz the vote was [2 to 2].

Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for group health insurance.Adopted

Mayor Flores asked Mr. Milum if there was anything he would like to add. Mr. Milum said no unless the council had any questions for him. He also informed the council Tammi Greer with Greer and Associates was present to answer any questions they might have. There were no questions.

Motion was made and seconded to approve all proposals received for group health insurance.

Andres Lopez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for group health insurance., seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for group life insurance.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve all proposals received for group life insurance.

Ray Ortiz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for group life insurance., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for supplemental insurance.Adopted

Motion was made and seconded to approve all proposals received for supplemental insurance.

Ray Ortiz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve or reject any or all proposals received for supplemental insurance., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Marco Arredondo, Inc. for electrical services.Adopted

Council member Andres Lopez asked Mr. Milum if the action was for consulting services or would they provide the electrical services. Mr. Milum explained it was for consulting services and Mr. Arredondo was present to answer any questions the council might have.

Motion was made and seconded to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Marco Arredondo, Inc. for electrical services.

James Herrera made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Marco Arredondo, Inc. for electrical services., seconded by Ray Ortiz the vote was [Unanimous].

Discussion and planning on a possible mural for the city.Adopted

Mayor Flores explained he would like to possibly team up with the Los Fresnos School District in creating a mural with the participation of art students. He proposed the library building wall as a possible location.

Mayor Flores and the council discussed the proposed mural. Council would like the item to come back to the council for approval before the mural is created. The Mayor explained the action item was only to plan and discuss the project but it would return to council for final approval.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the planning on a possible mural for the City as long as it returned to council for approval prior to painting it.

Ray Ortiz made a motion to approve Discussion and planning on a possible mural for the city., seconded by James Herrera the vote was [Unanimous].

Presentation of TDA Form A1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program and Grant Contract Number 7219249Adopted

Mr. Milum presented to the council the PowerPoint presentation on the CDBG.

There were no comments from the council.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the TDA Form A1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program and Grant Contract Number 7219249 presentation.

Andres Lopez made a motion to approve Presentation of TDA Form A1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program and Grant Contract Number 7219249, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Acknowledgement of City Manager's Report

City Manager Report A. Wastewater Update B. Water Update C. Hike & Bike Trails D. Henderson Road Project E. Drainage Update F. Whipple Road G. COVID-19 H. TxDot Highway 100 Project I. Pallet Company J. Stanford Road & FM 1575 Drainage & SewerAdopted

There were no questions or comments from the board.

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the City Manager's Report.

James Herrera made a motion to approve City Manager Report A. Wastewater Update B. Water Update C. Hike & Bike Trails D. Henderson Road Project E. Drainage Update F. Whipple Road G. COVID-19 H. TxDot Highway 100 Project I. Pallet Company J. Stanford Road & FM 1575 Drainage & Sewer, seconded by Ray Ortiz the vote was [Unanimous].

Acknowledgement of Department Head Reports

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

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Financial Report.

James Herrera made a motion to approve Financial Report 1. Monthly 2. Year to Date 3. Sales Tax, seconded by Polo Narvaez 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.

James Herrera 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 Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Police Department 1. Arrests 2. Incidents 3. AccidentsAdopted

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

James Herrera made a motion to approve Police Department 1. Arrests 2. Incidents 3. Accidents, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Municipal Court 1. Monthly ReportAdopted

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

James Herrera made a motion to approve Municipal Court 1. Monthly Report, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Library Report 1. Monthly ReportAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Library Report.

James Herrera made a motion to approve Library Report 1. Monthly Report, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly ReportAdopted

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

James Herrera made a motion to approve Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly Report, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

EMS Report 1. Quarterly reportAdopted

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Los Fresnos Emergency Medical Services 3rd and 4th Quarter Report.

James Herrera made a motion to approve EMS Report 1. Quarterly report, seconded by Polo Narvaez the vote was [Unanimous].

H. Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 6:49 PM.

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder