

City Council

520 E Ocean Blvd.

Special Meeting

Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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Tuesday, August 18, 2020

6:00 PM

City Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Mayor Polo Narvaez

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Dale House gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors remarks-Sign in with the City Secretary prior to the meeting. Remarks are limited to 5 minutes.

There were no comments.

Public Hearing

Public hearing to receive comments from the public on the proposed tax rate for 2020.No Action

Mayor Narvaez opened the public hearing at 6:04 p.m.

Mr. Milum explained to the council that the public hearing was to receive comments or questions from residents/taxpayers on the proposed tax rate for 2020, \$0.715 per \$100 valuation.

Mayor Narvaez asked the public present if they had any questions. There were none.

Mayor Narvaez closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

made a motion to approve Public hearing to receive comments from the public on the proposed tax rate for 2020., seconded by the vote was .

Action Items

Consideration and ACTION to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval of the final plat for Feather Ridge Phase II.Adopted

Mr. Milum explained the Planning & Zoning Commission approved the plat and gave a brief description on the location of the property.

There were no comments from the council.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval of the final plat for Feather Ridge Phase II.

Ray Ortiz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval of the final plat for Feather Ridge Phase II., seconded by Andres Lopez the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval of the preliminary and final plat for Obama's Subdivision. Adopted

Mr. Milum explained the Planning & Zoning Commission approved the plat. The only question was the parking provided. The owner resolved the parking by recording an easement to provide enough parking.

Mr. Milum answered question for the council.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Planning & Zoning Commissions' s approval of the preliminary and final plat Obama's Subdivision.

Juan Munoz made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve the Planning & Zoning Commission's approval of the preliminary and final plat for Obama's Subdivision., seconded by Yolanda H. Cruz the vote was [Unanimous].

Consideration and ACTION to approve change order number 1, change order number 2, and change order number 3 for the Henderson Road Resaca Crossing Project. Adopted

Mr. Milum explained that change order 1 would decrease the cost of the project by \$28,759.50, change order 2 increases \$24,000 but still overall a decreased from the original amount of \$4,759.50 and change order 3 would increase the contract by \$12,771.58 and \$8,012.08 higher than the original contract making the contract total \$2,212,443.08. However, Cameron County Irrigation district # 6 has agreed to pay \$26,544.70 since this amount is the items they requested. That makes the city's responsibility \$2,185,898.28 which is \$18,532.62 less than the original amount.

Mr. Milum recommended approval.

Motion was made and seconded to approve change order number 1, change order number 2, and change order number 3 for the Henderson Road Resaca Crossing Project.

Polo Narvaez made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve change order number 1, change order number 2, and change order number 3 for the Henderson Road Resaca Crossing Project., seconded by Yolanda H. Cruz the vote was [Unanimous].

Budget Workshop No Action

Mr. Milum presented to the council 4 options for alternative ways to fund pay increases for city employees. Mr. Milum answered questions and discussed the options individually with the council. Council member Andres Lopez asked if he should make a motion. Mr. Milum said yes so the decision could be recorded.

Council member Lopez motioned to approve option 1A approving original budget presentation, with a 4% increase for cost of living for all employees and no garbage increase or \$60,000 less in revenue and authorize the City Manger, Mark Milum to use his discretion to select expense reductions. Council member Ramon Ortiz seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Milum explained the revenue and expenditures for the general fund. Mr. Milum and the department heads: City Secretary, Jacqueline Moya; Chief of Police Hector Gonzalez; Public Works Director, Carlos Salazar; IT Director Dale House; Librarian, Angie Lugo;

Finance Director Pablo Garza explained their proposed budgets to the council and answered questions. Also present was Assistant Chief of Police Juan Rodriguez and Police Commander Charlie Banda.

Mr. Milum advised the council the next meeting was scheduled for September 3, 2020. made a motion to approve Budget Workshop, seconded by the vote was .

Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 7:43 PM

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder