

# City Council

520 E Ocean Blvd.

## Special Meeting

Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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### ~ Agenda ~

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

6:00 PM

City Hall

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TITLE 5 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023 AT 6:00 PM AT CITY HALL, 520 EAST OCEAN BLVD., LOS FRESNOS, TX 78566.**

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

#### **B. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Public Hearing to receive comments from the public on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

#### **C. VISITORS REMARKS-TO SPEAK YOU MUST SIGN IN WITH CITY SECRETARY PRIOR TO THE MEETING AND YOU HAVE A LIMIT OF 5 MINUTES TO SPEAK.**

#### **D. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Consideration and ACTION to approve the first reading of Ordinance 549 adopting the budgets for fiscal year 2023-2024.
2. Consideration and ACTION to approve the first reading of Ordinance 550 approving the 2023 tax roll and levying municipal ad valorem taxes for the use, benefit and support of the City and directing the assessment and collection thereof.
3. Consideration and ACTION to increase dumpster garbage rates and update the fee schedule with approved fees.
4. Consideration and ACTION to approve the write off of bad debt for lot mowing invoices for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
5. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Resolution 17-2023 of the City of Los Fresnos, Texas, authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Public Transportation for parades in the City Limits.
6. Consideration and ACTION to acknowledge the amended Order of Election and Notice of Election for the November 7, 2023 City Election.

**E. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Closed Session - To deliberate pursuant to Section 551.072, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding the following: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

**F. OPEN SESSION – DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Open Session - Deliberation and possible action regarding the following: 551.072 To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

This is to certify that I, Jacqueline Moya, posted this agenda on the front bulletin board of the City Hall on August 31, 2023 on or before 5:30 p.m. and it shall remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

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Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary

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**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Public Hearing  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5063)**

DOC ID: 5063 A

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**Public Hearing to receive comments from the public on the  
proposed budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.**

This is a time to listen to the public concerning the budget.

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Ordinances  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ORDINANCE (ID # 5065)**

DOC ID: 5065 A

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**Consideration and ACTION to approve the first reading of  
Ordinance 549 adopting the budgets for fiscal year 2023-  
2024.**

The budget is as recommended by the Council during the budget workshops. It includes the stipends for rank pay, assignment pay and certification pay for the Police Department as requested by the Council as well.

I recommend approval.

**ORDINANCE NO. 549**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LOS  
FRESNOS, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2023 THROUGH  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION AND  
ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING.**

Was introduced and submitted to the City Council for passage and adoption after the second reading of the Ordinance. After presentation and discussion of the Ordinance, a motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Ordinance be finally passed and adopted in accordance with the City’s Home Rule Charter. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and carried by the following vote:

Mayor Alejandro Flores	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained
Councilmember Jose Macias	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained
Councilmember Juan Munoz	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained
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Councilmember Luis Gonzalez	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained
Councilmember Terry Vinson	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager of the City of Los Fresnos has prepared and presented to the City Council a budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, workshops on said budget were called for on August 8, 2023, August 15, 2023, and a public hearing was held on September 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. by publication in a newspaper of general circulation at least ten days and not more than thirty days before the public hearings to be held at the City Hall in the City of Los Fresnos, Texas, where and when any and all interested persons might appear and be heard with reference to any item contained in said budget; and

**WHEREAS**, said public hearing was held on September 5, 2023 at the time and place aforesaid, and the said budget was discussed, and all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard on any matter relative thereto, and all interested persons having appeared and been heard, and there be not other persons seeking to be heard with reference to any matter concerning said budget, the said public hearings were closed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, TEXAS:**

SECTION 1. That the budget of the City of Los Fresnos, Texas for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 will increase from last year’s total property tax budget by \$ 611,805.34.

SECTION 2. That the budget of the City of Los Fresnos, Texas for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 is hereby adopted by this Ordinance. A summary of the budget adopted is hereby attached and incorporated herein as Exhibit A and the complete detail budget adopted by this Ordinance is incorporated hereby reference and shall be made available for public inspection at the Office of the City Secretary during regular business hours.

SECTION 3. That the City Council is authorized to amend the budget from time to time during the fiscal year should there be changes in revenues and expenditures according to law. An unanticipated need and an emergency shall be defined by and expenditures increased only upon a majority vote of the City Council.

SECTION 4. That once a month the Director of Finance shall present the City Council a written report showing the city's financial condition to date. Such report shall include the status of all revenues and expenditures of the city by each fund and department. The Director of Finance shall also present said report to the head of each city department.

INTRODUCED and APPROVED on the first reading this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

APPROVED and PASSED on the second reading this 12<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2023 at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Fresnos, Texas, at which a quorum was present and which was held in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

CITY OF LOS FRESNOS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alejandro Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary

**City Council**  
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Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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Department: City Secretary  
Category: Ordinances  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ORDINANCE (ID # 5066)**

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**Consideration and ACTION to approve the first reading of Ordinance 550 approving the 2023 tax roll and levying municipal ad valorem taxes for the use, benefit and support of the City and directing the assessment and collection thereof.**

This sets the tax rate at a total of \$0.685 per \$100 valuation, a 2 cent decrease. The operations tax rate is \$0.5389 per \$100 valuation and the debt tax rate is \$0.1461 per \$100 valuation.

I recommend approval.

**ORDINANCE NO. 549**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE TAX ROLL FOR 2023 AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE, BENEFIT AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, TEXAS; AND DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION THEREOF.**

Was introduced and submitted to the City Council for passage and adoption after the second reading of the Ordinance. After presentation and discussion of the Ordinance, a motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Ordinance be finally passed and adopted in accordance with the City’s Home Rule Charter. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and carried by the following vote:

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Councilmember Terry Vinson	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> Abstained

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the tax for the year 2023 herein after levied for current expenses of the City and the general improvements of the City and its property, must be levied to provide the revenue requirements of the budget for the ensuing year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, TEXAS:**

SECTION 1. The Tax Appraisal Roll of the City of Los Fresnos for 2023, as heretofore approved and certified by the Cameron Appraisal District, is hereby approved, together with those supplemental rolls, which the Cameron Appraisal District deems necessary to complete the 2023 Certified Roll.

SECTION 2. For the current expenses of the City of Los Fresnos and for the general improvements of the City and its property, also known as maintenance and operations expenses, there is hereby levied and ordered to be assessed and collected for the year 2023, and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordained, on all property situated within the limits of the City of Los Fresnos, and not exempt from taxation by valid laws, and ad valorem tax at the rate of \$0.538900 on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollars valuation of such property.

**THE TOTAL TAX RATE WILL REMAIN THE SAME AS PREVIOUS YEARS.**



SECTION 3. For the purpose of paying interest and providing a sinking fund for the payment of each issue of certificates of obligation issued for various municipal purposes heretofore issued by the City of Los Fresnos, including the various installments of principal falling due during the ensuing year on certificates of obligation issued for such purposes, there is hereby levied and ordered to be assessed and collected for the year 2023 and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordained, on all property situated within the limits of the City of Los Fresnos and not exempt from taxation by valid laws, an ad valorem tax at the rate of \$0.146100 on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollars valuation of such property.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of collecting ad valorem taxes levied and ordered to be assessed and collected for the year 2023, and for each year thereafter until it be otherwise provided and ordained, payment shall become due on the first day of October of the year for which the levy is made and may be paid up to and including the following January 31<sup>st</sup>, without penalty, and discounts shall be allowed on said taxes if paid as follows, to wit:

- (1) Three percent (3%) if payment is received in the month of October; and
- (2) Two percent (2%) if payment is received in the month of November; and
- (3) One percent (1%) if payment is received in the month of December; and
- (4) Gross amount without penalty is due in the month of January; and

If not paid before February 1, 2024 said taxes shall become delinquent and the following penalty shall be payable thereon, to wit:

	<u>PENALTY</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
February 1	6%	1%	7%
March 1	7%	2%	9%
April 1	8%	3%	11%
May 1	9%	4%	13%
June 1	10%	5%	15%
July 1	12%	6%	18%
Each month thereafter		+1%	+1%

From February 1, 2024 delinquent tax accrues interest at a rate of one percent for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid. Attorney fees may accrue as provided by law.

SECTION 5. The unpaid taxes on all years prior to 2023 shall continue to be delinquent as of February 1<sup>st</sup> of the year next succeeding the year for which such taxes were levied and assessed and shall be subject to penalty and interest as governed by Section 33.01, Texas Property Tax Laws, Annotated 1982.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

INTRODUCED and APPROVED on the first reading this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

APPROVED and PASSED on the second reading this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

CITY OF LOS FRESNOS

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Alejandro Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Agreement  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5067)**

DOC ID: 5067 A

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## **Consideration and ACTION to increase dumpster garbage rates and update the fee schedule with approved fees.**

According to the garbage contract, Republic Services is able to increase rates on an annual basis according to the CPI index net % change. During contract negotiations we capped the increase at 4% so it could not be huge increases from year to year. The increase this year is 4.99% so due to the negotiated contract, they will only increase the cost to the city by 4.00%. The totals for the garbage carts for both residential and commercial are below the \$20 we charge our residents and commercial accounts so we are proposing to keep the amount the same. It will decrease our revenue to only \$0.38 per cart per month for residential & commercial carts but it will allow us to hold the cost to our residents and commercial accounts to \$20.00.

The 4.00% increase is reflected in this increase for dumpsters only. As you can see we only mark them up \$20 for handling so on the larger containers we have no choice except to increase them since the cost would be more than we are charging. We are simply passing the increase to the commercial dumpster user. The City will still only make \$20 for handling. The attachments show the increases and the calculations.

I recommend approval of the new rates which increase by the same percentage increase (4.00%) we are getting charged.



August 18, 2023

Mark W. Milum, City Manager  
City of Los Fresnos  
520 E. Ocean Blvd  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Reference 2023 Consumer Price Index (CPI)

Mr. Milum,

In accordance with the solid waste agreement between the City of Los Fresnos and Republic Services, we hereby submit our comparative statement justifying this notice effective October 1, 2023.

**2023-2024 CPI Calculation**

Description	Water/Sewer/Trash
2022	265.952
2023	279.217
Index Change	13.265
Net %Change	4.99%
Effective Change @ 100%	4.99%
<b>Effective Rate Increase</b>	<b>4.00%</b>

CPI Cap

4%

**Residential Rates 2023-2024**

Item	Description	Rates
1	Residential Service once/week	\$ 12.48
2	Extra Cart	\$ 7.70
3	Small Commercial once/week - 1 Cart	\$ 12.48
4	Small Commercial once/week - Extra Cart	\$ 7.70
5	Brush Service once/month	\$ 7.08
6	Tires	\$ 0.06

**Commercial Rates 2023-2024**

Container Size	1 x wk	2 x wk	3 x wk	4 x wk	5 x wk	6 x wk
2 cubic yard	\$ 80.76	\$ 151.44	\$ 223.54	\$ 286.99	\$ 353.34	\$ 425.45
3 cubic yard	\$ 96.62	\$ 186.04	\$ 268.24	\$ 350.46	\$ 431.23	\$ 513.42
4 cubic yard	\$ 112.50	\$ 203.34	\$ 308.64	\$ 413.91	\$ 504.78	\$ 595.64
6 cubic yard	\$ 171.63	\$ 307.19	\$ 442.76	\$ 578.33	\$ 713.89	\$ 849.46
8 cubic yard	\$ 188.93	\$ 341.81	\$ 494.67	\$ 647.56	\$ 800.41	\$ 953.30
30 cubic yard	Haul Rate	\$ 272.95	Tonnage Rate	\$ 40.88	Rental Rate	\$ 7.00

If you have any questions please contact me at 956-246-3299.

Rey Carrillo

Manager, Municipal Sales  
Republic Services, RGV

Chapter 34-Solid Waste					Chapter 34-Solid Waste							
34-21	Cart service:				34-21	Cart service:						
	Initial—per cart			20.00		Initial—per cart			20.00			
	Each additional service—per cart ( maximum of 3			14.00		Each additional service—per cart ( maximum of 3			14.00			
	Replacement cart—each			75.00		Replacement cart—each			75.00			
			Casters	7.00				Casters	7.00			
		Lock Mechanism	5.00			Lock Mechanism	5.00					
34-22	Dumpster service:				34-22	Dumpster service:						
	Two yard volume:					Two yard volume:						
			One dumpster- time per week	104.46				One dumpster- time per week	107.81			
			Two	172.42				Two	178.52			
			Three	241.75				Three	250.62			
			Four	302.76				Four	314.07			
			Five	366.56				Five	380.42			
			Six	435.90				Six	452.53			
			Additional pickup—each dumpster	65.00				Additional pickup—each dumpster	65.00			
	Three yard volume:					Three yard volume:						
			One dumpster - time per week	119.72				One dumpster - time per week	123.70			
			Two	205.70				Two	213.12			
			Three	284.73				Three	295.32			
			Four	363.79				Four	377.54			
			Five	441.46				Five	458.31			
			Six	520.48				Six	540.50			
			Additional pickup—each dumpster	75.00				Additional pickup—each dumpster	75.00			
	Four yard volume:					Four yard volume:						
			One dumpster - time per week	134.98				One dumpster - time per week	139.58			
			Two	222.33				Two	230.42			
			Three	323.58				Three	335.72			
			Four	424.80				Four	440.99			
			Five	512.17				Five	531.86			
			Six	599.54				Six	622.72			
			Additional pickup—each dumpster	85.00				Additional pickup—each dumpster	85.00			
	Six yard volume:					Six yard volume:						
			One dumpster - time per week	191.84				One dumpster - time per week	198.71			
			Two	322.19				Two	334.27			
			Three	452.54				Three	469.84			
			Four	582.89				Four	605.41			
			Five	713.24				Five	740.97			
			Six	843.6				Six	879.54			
			Additional pickup—each dumpster	95.00				Additional pickup—each dumpster	95.00			
	Eight yard volume:					Eight yard volume:						
			One dumpster - time per week	208.47				One dumpster - time per week	216.01			
			Two	355.47				Two	368.89			
			Three	502.46				Three	521.75			
			Four	649.47				Four	674.64			
			Five	796.44				Five	827.49			
			Six	943.44				Six	980.38			
			Additional pickup—each dumpster	100.00				Additional pickup—each dumpster	100.00			
	OLD CHARGE TO CUSTOMER						NEW CHARGE TO CUSTOMER					

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Bad Debt  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5068)**

DOC ID: 5068 A

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## **Consideration and ACTION to approve the write off of bad debt for lot mowing invoices for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.**

When the City has to mow lots, we charge the lot owner for this and try to collect. Many times we can't find the owner. We have an option to file a lien on the property until it is paid. However, it becomes a secondary lien and it can't be held against the new owner if it is purchased. When they are smaller amounts it is better to just write them off since the lien does not hold up with a legal challenge. This covers the years 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and the first part of 2022-2023 so we have done pretty well. Additionally, the actual costs is only \$2,770. We mark up each mow by \$150 for administrative work having code enforcement having to check those lots that are too high, research owners, notify owners, verify work has or hasn't been done, initiate requisition and notify contractor to mow, verify it has been mowed, review charges, pay contractor and bill owner.

I recommend approval.

City of Los Fresnos  
A/R Aging Detail  
As of July 31, 2023

Type	Date	Num	P. O. #	Name	Terms	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
<b>Current</b>								
Total Current								
<b>1 - 30</b>								
Total 1 - 30								
<b>31 - 60</b>								
Total 31 - 60								
<b>61 - 90</b>								
Total 61 - 90								
<b>&gt; 90</b>								
Invoice	12/02/2019	1825		Berrones, Ana Maria		01/02/2020	1306	195.00
Invoice	12/09/2019	1874		Cornejo, Guadalupe		01/07/2020	1301	185.00
Invoice	12/12/2019	1883		Cornejo, Guadalupe		01/10/2020	1298	185.00
Invoice	12/12/2019	1886		Torres, Jesus & Bla...		01/10/2020	1298	200.00
Invoice	01/21/2020	1893		Noyola, Silvestre E...		02/19/2020	1258	350.00
Invoice	01/21/2020	1894		Arredondo, Lasaro		02/19/2020	1258	195.00
Invoice	01/23/2020	1896		Salazar, Juan Jose		02/19/2020	1258	195.00
Invoice	02/19/2020	1900		Pizana, Emmanuel		03/19/2020	1229	195.00
Invoice	04/19/2021	2011		Kanuga, Dilip B.		05/19/2021	803	210.00
Invoice	04/19/2021	2012		Berrones, Ana Maria		05/19/2021	803	1,300.00
Invoice	04/21/2021	2014		Rua Construction L...		05/21/2021	801	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2020		Flores, Armando - ...		06/15/2021	776	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2021		Serrata, Juana A		06/15/2021	776	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2022		Cornejo, Guadalupe		06/15/2021	776	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2027		Herrera, Zulema A.		06/15/2021	776	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2029		Sanchez, Bruno Ivan		06/15/2021	776	210.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2030		Torres, Jesus & Bla...		06/15/2021	776	195.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2033		Jaross, Elka M		06/15/2021	776	225.00
Invoice	06/15/2021	2026		Gomez, Basil		07/15/2021	746	225.00
Invoice	09/20/2022	2057		Rodolfo Loo		10/20/2022	284	225.00
Invoice	09/20/2022	2059		Serrata, Juana A		10/20/2022	284	240.00
Invoice	12/28/2022	2063		Rodolfo Loo		01/27/2023	185	220.00
Invoice	12/28/2022	2064		GOMEZ, JOSE AL...		01/27/2023	185	215.00
Invoice	12/28/2022	2060		Serrata, Juana A		01/28/2023	184	235.00
Invoice	12/28/2022	2061		MANUEL( HODGE...		01/28/2023	184	235.00
Invoice	12/28/2022	2062		DE LA CRUZ, PAB...		01/28/2023	184	220.00
Total > 90								6,705.00
<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>6,705.00</b>

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
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Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Resolutions  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5069)**

DOC ID: 5069 A

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**Consideration and ACTION to approve a Resolution 17-2023  
of the City of Los Fresnos, Texas, authorizing the City to  
enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Public  
Transportation for parades in the City Limits.**

The prior ordinance included Highway 100 as we did parades along Highway 100 back in the day. TxDot does not allow Highway 100 to be utilized any longer. This updates and matches what they allow. We use this to send to TxDot for approval prior to each parade.

I recommend approval.



## RESOLUTION 17-2023

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR PARADES IN THE CITY LIMITS.**

This Resolution was introduced and submitted to the City Council for passage and adoption. After presentation and discussion of the Resolution, a motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Resolution be finally passed and adopted in accordance with the City's Home Rule Charter. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and carried by the following vote:

Mayor Alejandro Flores	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained
Councilmember Jose C. Macias	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained
Councilmember Juan Munoz	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained
Councilmember Gabriela Fernandez	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained
Mayor Pro-Tem Luis Gonzalez	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained
Councilmember Terry Vinson	___	For	___	Against	___	Abstained

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1** That the City of Los Fresnos enter into an agreement with the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation for temporary closure of N Arroyo Blvd (FM 1847) for parades.

**SECTION 2** That the closure of N Arroyo Blvd (FM 1847) for parades will serve a public purpose for the citizens of the City of Los Fresnos.

**SECTION 3** That all rules and procedures of 43 Tex. Admin. Code, Section 22.12 have been established for the temporary closure of a segment of the State highway system and this agreement has been developed in accordance with rules and procedures.

**SECTION 4** This Resolution shall take effect immediately from after this passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor, Alejandro Flores

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary, Jacqueline Moya

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
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Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: City Election  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5072)**

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**Consideration and ACTION to acknowledge the amended  
Order of Election and Notice of Election for the November 7,  
2023 City Election.**

This is the order of election for the office of Mayor and Place 1 to be held on November 7. It lists the polling places as well as the dates and times for early voting.

You previously approved the of the Order of Election, Notice of Election for the November 7, 2023 city election and authorized the City Secretary to make any necessary changes in locations, days, dates, and times that may be ordered by the Governor or the Cameron County Elections Office. There were some changes, so since we had the meeting, we wanted to be sure it was known. Some of the early voting times changed and since we are having a joint election, early voting can occur at any site approved by Cameron County.

I recommend approval.

**CITY OF LOS FRESNOS  
ORDER OF ELECTION  
(ORDEN DE ELECCION)**

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 7, 2023 for the purpose of electing:  
Mayor & Member of Council, Place 1, each place is for a three (3) year term.

(Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el Noviembre 7, 2023 con el propósito de:)  
(Alcalde y miembro del Consejo, Lugar 1 para un término de tres (3) años)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each at the Community Center, 204 N. Brazil Street, Los Fresnos, Texas between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. beginning on October 23, 2023 and ending on November 3, 2023 and all locations approved by the Cameron County Commissioners Court for the November 7, 2023 Joint Election.

(La votación adelantada en personal se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en Community Center, 204 N. Brazil Street, Los Fresnos, Texas entre las 9:00 a.m. de la mañana y las 6:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el Octubre 23, 2023 y terminando el Noviembre 3, 2023 y en todos los lugares aprobados por el Tribunal de Comisionados del Condado de Cameron para la Elección Conjunta del 7 de noviembre de 2023.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:  
(La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo Sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
Saturday, October 28 through Sunday, October 29, 2023 (sábado 28 de octubre al domingo 29 de octubre de 2023)	10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday, October 30 through Wednesday, November 1, 2023 (lunes 30 de octubre al miércoles 1 de noviembre de 2023)	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
November 2-3, 2023 (Noviembre 2-3, 2023)	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en  
Ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a)  
Email: [elections@co.cameron.tx.us](mailto:elections@co.cameron.tx.us)  
Website: [www.cameronvotes.com](http://www.cameronvotes.com)

Elections Administrator  
P. O. Box 3587  
Brownsville, Tx. 78523

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2023.  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de las horas de negocio el Octubre 27, 2023.)

Issued this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.  
(Emitida este día 11 de Julio, 2023.)

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Alejandro Flores, Mayor

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Member of Council Place 1

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Member of Council Place 2

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Member of Council Place 3

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Member of Council Place 4

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Member of Council Place 5

**NOTICE OF CITY OF LOS FRESNOS ELECTION**  
**(AVISO DE ELECCION CIUDAD DE LOS FRESNOS)**

To the Registered Voters of City of Los Fresnos, Texas:  
 (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Los Fresnos, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2023 for voting in a General Election, for Mayor & Member of Council Place 1.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de Noviembre de 2023 para votar en la Elección para Ciudad de Los Fresnos para Alcalde y Miembro del Consejo, lugar uno (Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el Noviembre 7, 2023 con el propósito de:).)

**LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE (DIRECCION DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALE):**

<b>Precinct 3:</b>
<b>Los Fresnos Community Center</b>
<b>204 N. Brazil St.</b>
<b>Los Fresnos, TX 78566</b>

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the location listed below and all locations approved by the Cameron County Commissioners Court for the November 7, 2023 Joint Election.  
 (La votación anticipada por comparecencia personal se llevará a cabo en el lugar que se indica a continuación y en todos los lugares aprobados por el Tribunal de Comisionados del Condado de Cameron para la Elección Conjunta del 7 de noviembre de 2023.)

**Community Center, 204 N. Brazil Street, Los Fresnos, Texas**

Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. beginning on October 23, 2023  
 (Entre las 9:00 a.m. de la mañana y las 6:00 de la tarde empezando el octubre 23, 2023)  
 And ending on November 3, 2023.  
 (y terminando el noviembre 3, 2023.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:  
 (La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo Sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
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Issued this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.  
 (Emitada este día 5 de septiembre, 2023.)

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 Alejandro Flores, Mayor



REMI GARZA, CERA  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR

August 29, 2023

Jacqueline Moya  
City Secretary  
City Of Los Fresnos  
520 E. Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, Texas 78566

Dear Ms. Moya

This is our official request to designate the following location as an Early Voting and Election Day site for the Constitutional Amendment Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023:

**Los Fresnos Community Center Building, 204 N. Brazil St., Los Fresnos, Texas**

The dates and times for early voting are as follow:

Monday, Oct.23 thru Friday, Oct. 27	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 28 and Sunday, Oct. 29	10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 30 thru Wednesday, Nov 1	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 2 and Friday, Nov. 3	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Election Day: Tuesday, November 7, 2023**      **7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

(If possible please have locations open one hour before 7:00 a.m. and one hour after 7:00 p.m. for election day workers.)

If you agree, we will be delivering voting equipment a few days before Election Day begins. It will need to be stored in a secure area and be available during the election. We will also need three (3) folding tables, (4-6) chairs and working 120-volt electrical plugs for the equipment.

Upon consideration and agreement, please fax us a confirmation letter at (956) 550-7298 or email it to [Maribel.diaz@co.cameron.tx.us](mailto:Maribel.diaz@co.cameron.tx.us). We greatly appreciate your help in making the approaching elections a success.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to this request.

Sincerely,

*Remi Garza* for Remi Garza

Remi Garza  
Elections Administrator

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Closed Session  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5070)**

DOC ID: 5070

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**Closed Session - To deliberate pursuant to Section 551.072, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding the following: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.**

**City Council**  
520 E Ocean Blvd.  
Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Meeting: 09/05/23 06:00 PM  
Department: City Secretary  
Category: Open Session  
Prepared By: Jacqueline Moya  
Initiator: Jacqueline Moya  
Sponsors:

**SCHEDULED**

**ACTION ITEM (ID # 5071)**

DOC ID: 5071

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**Open Session - Deliberation and possible action regarding the following: 551.072 To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.**