

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Monday, July 31, 2023**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Monday, July 31, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.** in the La City Commission Meeting Room, La Feria, Texas 78559. The purpose of said meeting was to consider and take action on those items of City Business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with State Open Meetings Law. The following City Commission members were present at said meeting.

2. DETERMINE QUORUM PRESENT AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER - MAYOR

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Olga H. Maldonado	Mayor	Present
Maricela Zuniga	Commissioner	Present
Michael Martinez	Commissioner	Present
Julian Guevara, Jr.	Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner	Present
Esmeralda Lozano	Commissioner	Present
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Present

Juan Ortiz, Planning Director

Frank Rios, Finance Director

Amanda Morales, City Secretary

Cesar Diaz, Police Chief

Alfonso Rodriguez, Public Works Director

3. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE CITY MANAGER LETTER OF RETIREMENT DATED JULY 25, 2023.

There was no action taken on this item.

Mayor Maldonado called the meeting into closed session at 6:32 p.m.

4. CLOSED SESSION:

a. **CONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074, TEXAS GOV'T CODE, TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE, I.E. THE CITY MANAGER.**

b. **ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION §551.071(2), TEXAS GOV'T CODE, TO RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE RELATING TO THE CITY'S RIGHTS, DUTIES, AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CITY CHARTER AND STATE AND FEDERAL LAW, PERTAINING TO THE CITY MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP.**

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Mayor Maldonado reconvened the meeting in open session at 7:15 p.m.

5. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, DISMISSAL, OR ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OR RETIREMENT OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE, I.E. THE CITY MANAGER.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to terminate the employment of City Manager Jaime Sandoval effective July 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

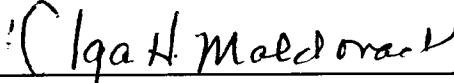
6. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION, IF ANY, REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM CITY MANAGER.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to appoint Finance Director Frank Rios as interim City Manager. The motion was seconded by commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

7. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Lozano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

APPROVED:



Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary