

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM  
Tuesday, March 28, 2023**

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, March 28, 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.

**3. 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	Absent
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Present

Mr. Jaime Sandoval, City Manager  
Ms. Amanda Morales, City Secretary  
Ms. Evelia Duran, Community Health Worker

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Stephany Bauer addressed the commission regarding traffic concerns and the need for more sidewalks.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS HELD MARCH 14, 2023.**

Commissioner Garica made a motion to approve the items under consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ORDINANCE GOVERNING ZONING, HEALTH AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR MOBILE FOOD VENDORS IN THE CITY OF LA FERIA.**

Mayor Maldonado opened the public hearing at 6:31 PM. Mr. Ortiz reviewed the proposed ordinance and how it would replace the current process of Special Use Permits for food trucks. There were no other comments from the public and the public hearing was closed at 6:38 PM.

**7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT OF VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LA FERIA CODE OF ORDINANCES AS PERTAINING TO MOBILE FOOD VENDORS.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-04 amending various sections of the La Feria code of ordinances as pertaining to mobile food vendors. He further

stipulated that permit fees for individual food trucks will be \$300 for the initial permit and \$100 for annual renewals and \$1,000 for initial permits for food truck parks and \$100 to renew. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST TO CLOSE SHORT STREET ON JUNE 24, 2023.**

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve the request to close Short Street on June 24, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

**9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-03 APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE LA FERIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to appoint Robert Munoz to the Industrial Development Corporation board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-04 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to appoint David Briones and Everardo Sanchez to the zoning board of adjustments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

**11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-05 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to appoint Mary Rodriguez to the La Feria Utilities Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**12. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-07 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LA FERIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to appoint Commissioner Michael Martinez, David Briones, and Everardo Sanchez to the La Feria Economic Development Corporation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia and passed unanimously.

**13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-08 SUPPORTING STATE FUNDING FOR BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT.**

Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08 supporting state funding for broadband deployment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 2023-09 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR OPERATION STONEGARDEN.**

Mr. Sandoval explained that the grant requires no matching funds from the City and will provide fifty thousand dollars for overtime in the police department as well as night vision goggles for the department. Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve resolution 2023-09 authorizing the submittal of a grant application for operation Stonegarden. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez and passed unanimously.

**15. PRESENTATION BY INFRAMARK REGARDING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF CITY WATER AND WASTEWATER FACILITIES.**

George Quilantan addressed the Commission regarding maintenance completed at the water and wastewater facilities.

**16. ADJOURN.**

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

**APPROVED:**



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**Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**



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**Amanda Morales, City Secretary**