

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
LA FERIA CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Be it known that the City of La Feria City Commission met in Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 27, 2024 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	Absent
Julian Guevara, Jr.	Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner	Present
Esmeralda Lozano	Commissioner	Present
Donato Garcia	Commissioner	Absent

Mr. Frank Rios, City Manager
Ms. Amanda Morales, City Secretary
Mr. Alfonso Rodriguez, Public Works Director
Ms. Allison Bastian-Rodriguez, City Attorney

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 13, 2024.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to approve the items under consent agenda. Commissioner Lozano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO EXCUSE ABSENCES OF CITY COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to excuse all past and future absences by Commissioner Garcia. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zuniga and passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF LA FERIA AND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY TPDES STORMWATER TASK FORCE PARTNERSHIP FOR PREPARATION OF TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATIONS.

Commissioner Lozano made a motion to approve the memorandum of agreement between City of La Feria

and the Lower Rio Grande Valley TPDES Stormwater taskforce partnership for preparation of Texas Water Development Board Infrastructure fund program applications. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara and passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH D&M LEASING AND DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY FOR LEASING CONTRACTS.

Mr. Castillo explained that D&M only works with government agencies to offer affordable fleet management services through lease agreements for vehicles. The leases are generally for three to five years. At the end of the term, the vehicles are returned, and new vehicles are made available to the City. Mr. Rios stated that this is a more affordable option than purchasing vehicles and having to pay to maintain them. Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara made a motion to approve a contract with D&M Leasing and designating the City Manager as the authorized signatory for leasing contracts. Commissioner Lozano amended the motion to stipulate that the Commission should receive regular reports on the leases. Commissioner Lozano seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

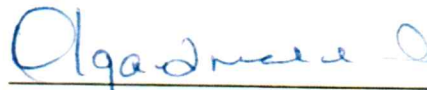
9. PRESENTATION BY INFRAMARK REGARDING ONGOING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AT THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER FACILITIES.

George Quilantan addressed the Commission regarding ongoing maintenance at the water and wastewater treatment plants and lift stations, as well as fire hydrant flushing. There was no action taken on this item.

10. ADJOURN.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Lozano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Guevara, and it passed unanimously.

APPROVED:



Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary