

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN COMMISSION

DATE: Tuesday, May 24, 2022

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: San Juan Memorial Library
Multipurpose Meeting Room
1010 S. Standard
San Juan, Texas 78589

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mario Garza, Mayor
Adina “Dina” Santillan, Commissioner
Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo, Commissioner
Marco “Markie” Villegas, Commissioner
Rick Palacios, City Attorney

STAFF PRESENT: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager
Brenda Escalante, City Secretary
Tirso Garza, Chief of Fire
Captain Casarez, Chief of Police
Leroy Gonzales, Finance Director
Adelaida Cordero, Director of Human Resources
Armandina Segin, Library Director
Patrick Willingham, Director of Parks & Recreation
Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning
Israel Garza, Director of Sanitation/ Public Works
Juan Carlos Martinez, Interim Director of Utilities
Mary Enriquez, Court Administrator
Pat Karr, Director of Information Technology

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**
Mayor Mario Garza called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. INVOCATION:**
Benjamin Arjona, City Manager led the Invocation.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
Mayor Mario Garza led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
DISCUSSION: No Public Comments.
- V. PRESENTATIONS:**
- A. Congressman Vicente Gonzalez American Rescue Plan Check Presentation.**
DISCUSSION: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager, welcomed Congressman Vicente Gonzalez, who gave a brief presentation regarding the American Rescue Plan.
- B. Keep San Juan Beautiful Recognizes as a Gold Star Affiliate by Keep Texas Beautiful.**
DISCUSSION: Cynthia Puente, Environmental Specialist, stated that Keep San Juan Beautiful was awarded the Gold Star Affiliate. Yvonne Lopez gave a brief presentation regarding the recognition.
- C. Presentation on Departmental Reports: Department of Finance, Fire Department, Police Department, Municipal Court, and Department of Utilities.**
- 1. Department of Finance Monthly Report.**
 - 2. Fire Department Monthly Report.**
 - 3. Police Department Monthly Report**
 - 4. Municipal Court Monthly Report.**
 - 5. Department of Utilities Monthly Report.**

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DISCUSSION: Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan congratulated the Police Department officers who participated in the 5K. Mayor Mario Garza asked Captain Reymundo Casarez about the process of requesting accident reports. Captain Casarez stated there are two methods of requesting the reports: through the TXDOT website or at the police department.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

- A. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider Ordinance Regarding a Conditional Use Permit TO Allow "The Orchid Event Center" at 905 W. 1st Street, Suite A and b, Legally Described as Lot 2, B.T. No. 1 Subdivision, as Requested by Yesenia Juarez.**

DISCUSSION: Monica Gomez, Asst. Director of Planning, stated this Public Hearing is for a conditional use permit to allow the applicant to take over an events center located at Veterans Boulevard and 1st Street. As per the Fire Department, the occupancy load for this suite is 140 people. Each suite is 1,200 square feet, and there are a total of 42 common parking spaces in the commercial plaza. Mrs. Gomez stated they attached a list of requirements; this item was advertised in the newspaper, and no comments were received in favor of or against the request. Furthermore, the Planning and Zoning Commission, with a 7-0 vote, along with staff, recommended approval of the conditional use permit as presented.

Mayor Mario Garza open a public hearing at 6:20

DISCUSSION: Mayor Garza asked how often the Planning Department goes out to inspect. Mrs. Gomez stated that once the conditional use permit is approved, code enforcement officers, building inspectors, and the fire department will visit the property once a year.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the Public Hearing at 6:21 PM

Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo motioned to approve and was second by Commissioner Marco "Markie" Villegas. Motion Passed (4-0).

VII. RESOLUTION

- A. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Accepting a Voluntary Annexation Petition, Setting Dates and Times of Public Hearing and Directing the Planning Department to Prepare Service Plan for the Proposed Giants Subdivision being a 3.00 acre-tract of land out of Lot 6, Block 27, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, located approximately a quarter of a mile West from Cesar Chavez Road, along the North side of Hall Acres Road, as Requested by Jose Luis Hernandez.**

DISCUSSION: Monica Gomez, Asst. Director of Planning, stated this resolution was to accept a voluntary annexation petition for a 3-acre tract located approximately a quarter of a mile west of Cesar Chavez Rd. along the northside of Hall Acres, west of the Valley Ranch Subdivision. The application was received by Jose Luis Hernandez. Mayor Garza asked Mr. Benjamin Arjona when the joint meeting would be scheduled, and Mr. Arjona replied that it would be in a couple of weeks.

Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo motioned to approve and was second by Commissioner Marco "Markie" Villegas. Motion Passed (4-0).

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. City Commission Meeting Minutes:
- December 8, 2021**
- B. Consider Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the Month of April 2022.**
- C. Consider Approval of the Budget Expenditure Report for the Month of April 2022.**

Commissioner Marco "Markie" Villegas motioned to approve and was second by Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan. Motion Passed (4-0).

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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Commissioner Adina “Dina” Santillan made motion to adjourn at 6:24 P.M. and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (4-0).

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Mario Garza, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Escalante, City Secretary