

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN COMMISSION

DATE:

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

TIME:

6:00 p.m.

PLACE:

San Juan Memorial Library
1010 S. Standard
San Juan, Texas 78589

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mario Garza, Mayor
Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez, Mayor Pro-Tempore
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, Fire Chief
Ruben Morin, Chief of Police
Leroy Gonzalez, Director of Finance
Adelaida Cordero, Director of Human Resources
Armandina Sesin, 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 6:00P.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: Homero Morales stated he wanted address an issue regarding the trash, brush, and property taxes. Blanca Alcaraz from Union Del Pueblo thanked the Mayor and the City Commission for their support. Eduardo Rincon, San Juan resident who was accompanied by his family, addressed an accident that occurred on Sunday, September 11, 2022 that involved the death of their dog, which they considered part of their family. Mr. Rincon stated a San Juan Police Officer had shot his dog, killing him and asked the Mayor and City Commission what was going to be done regarding this matter. Mayor Mario Garza have his condolences and informed Mr. Rincon he would be receiving a call from Mr. Benjamin Arjona, City Manager first thing the following morning to address this accident.

V. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Recognition of the Texas Amateur Athletic League Local Athletes of the Year.

DISCUSSION: Patrick Willingham, Director of Parks, and Recreation, introduced Julyanna Guajardo and Ethan Guerra and they were recognized as the Texas Amateur League Local Athletes of the Year.

B. Presentation on Departmental Reports: Department of Planning and Zoning, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Sanitation and San Juan Memorial Library.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Mario Garza stated on October 15, 2022 it's the 2nd Annual First Responders.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING/ ORDINANCES

A. Hold a Public Hearing for a Rezoning Request from Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) to Single-Family Residence District (R-S) of Lot 2, M & M Subdivision, as Requested by Ramiro Martinez.

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Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:23 p.m. and announced anyone wishing to speak for or against this item, may do so.

There were no comments, Mayor Garza closed the Public Hearing at 6:23 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

- B.** Hold a Public Hearing for the Voluntary Annexation Petition of the Proposed Valley Ranch Subdivision Phase 3 and 4 Subdivision being a 21.19-acre tract of land out of Lot 11, Block 27, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, located at the Southwest corner of Hall Acres and Cesar Chavez Road, as Requested by Esponjas Development, LTD.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:25 p.m. and announced anyone wishing to speak for or against this item, may do so.

There were no comments, Mayor Garza closed the Public Hearing at 6:25 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

- C.** Consideration and Action Amending Chapter 13 Utilities, Articles 13.02 Solid Waste and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Division 2. Rates, Charges and Billing, Section 13.02.051 Customer Classification; Rate Schedule, to Modify the Reference of 90 Gallon Container to a 96 Gallon Container and to Modify and Provide Additional Roll-off Container Rental

Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo motioned to approve and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

- D.** Hold First Public Hearing and Consider Ordinance Adopting the Budget for the City of San Juan, Texas for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

VII. APPOINTMENTS

- A.** Consider the Nomination and Appointment of Board Member(s) Related to the Keep San Juan Beautiful Board.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Mario Garza nominated Angel Ramos, Maria Ocana and Silvia Soto to replace Rubio Muniz.

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas motioned to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

VIII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL THE FOLLOWING MATTER:

- A.** Preliminary and Final Plat Approval of the Valley Ranch Subdivision No. 3 being a 2.17 acre tract of land out of Lot 11, Block 27, Alamo Land and Sugar Company Subdivision, as Requested by Quintanilla, Headley and Associates, Inc.

Mayor Pro Tem Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez motioned to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas. Motion Passed (5-0).

- B.** Preliminary and Final Plat Approval of the Valley Ranch Subdivision No. 4 being a 19.02 acre tract of land out of Lot 11, Block 27, Alamo Land and Sugar Company Subdivision, as Requested by Quintanilla, Headley and Associates, Inc.

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

- C.** Consideration and Action to Cast Votes for Nominees for the Election of Places 6 - 9 of the Board of Trustees for the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool.

DISCUSSION:

Place 6- Allison Heyward received five (5) votes.

Place 7- James A. Douglas, Ph.D. received four (4) votes and Rebecca (Becky) Hass received one (1) vote.

Place 8- Marian Mendoza received three (3) votes and Brett Haney received two (2) votes.

Place 9- William Linn received three (3) votes and Stephanie Fisher received two (2) votes.

Carried Unanimously

- D.** Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Brush Collection Cost Analysis.

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Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo motioned to approve and was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Motion Passed (5-0).

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider Second and Final Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 4 Business Regulations, Article 4.04 Wrecker Businesses of the City of San Juan's Code of Ordinances to Update the Procedures and Requirements to Conduct Wrecker Services within the City Limits of San Juan and Fees Related to such Services by Deleting, Replacing and Updating the City's Current Provisions under Article 4.04 and Renaming Article 4.04 from Wrecker Businesses to Wrecker Services.

B. Consider Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes:

-February 8, 2022

-February 28, 2022

Mayor Pro Tem Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez made motion to approve all items under consent agenda and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. The San Juan City Commission will Convene in Executive Session, in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Vernon's Texas Statutes and Codes Annotated, Government Code Chapter 551 et seq. and §551.071 Consultation with Attorney.

1. Pursuant to Section §551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Entertainment Agreement for 2022 Noche De Paz.).

2. Pursuant to Section §551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS; Discuss the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee (City Manager, Chief of Police).

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas motioned to enter executive session at 6:56 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

XI. RECONVENE

Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo motioned to reconvene at 7:52 p.m. and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

A. The City Commission will Reconvene in Open Session to Take Necessary Action, if any, in Accordance with Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Subchapter E, Procedures Relating to Closed Meeting 551, Requirements to Vote or Take Final Action in Open Meeting.

1. Pursuant to Section §551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Entertainment Agreement for 2022 Noche De Paz.).

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas motioned to approve as directed under executive session Benjamin Arjona, City Manager's directive and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

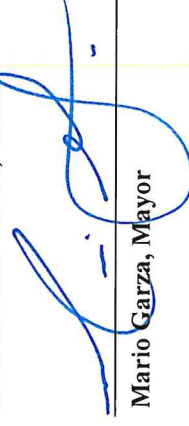
2. Pursuant to Section §551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS; Discuss the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee (City Manager, Chief of Police

No Action was taken.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Marco “Markie” Villegas made motion to adjourn at 7:53 P.M. and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

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Mario Garza, Mayor

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ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Escalante", is written over a horizontal line.

Brenda Escalante, City Secretary