

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN COMMISSION

DATE: Tuesday, August 8, 2023

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
Marco "Markie" Villegas, Mayor Pro-Tempore
Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo, Commissioner
Adina "Dina" Santillan, Commissioner
Leonardo "Lenny" Sanchez, Commissioner
Rick Palacios, City Attorney

STAFF PRESENT: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager
Brenda Escalante, City Secretary
Tirso Garza, Chief of Fire
Leandro Sifuentes, Interim Chief of Police
Maria Beltran, Assistant Director of Finance
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
Ruben Guajardo, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation/PAL Director.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**
Mayor Mario Garza called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
Mayor Mario Garza led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Luis Pena believes the city lacks leadership. Agapito and Sofia Reyes addressed concerns concerning the front entrance and carport regulations. Juan Posada handled a complaint about the semi-truck ordinance. Cassandra Silguero, a new homeowner, requested a carport. Mimi Reyes represented the No Kill RGV Coalition, who provided information of their services as they wanted to collaborate with the city to provide spay and neuter support. Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo suggested that an ordinance relating to submitting topics for the City Commission agenda be considered.
- IV. **PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. **Presentation on Departmental Reports: Department of Finance, Fire Department, Police Department, Municipal Court, and Department of Utilities.**
 1. **Department of Planning and Zoning Monthly Report**
June 2023 Monthly Report
July 2023 Monthly Report
 2. **Department of Parks and Recreation Monthly Report.**
June 2023 Monthly Report
July 2023 Monthly Report
 3. **Department of Sanitation Monthly Report**
June 2023 Monthly Report
July 2023 Monthly Report
 4. **San Juan Memorial Library Monthly Report.**
June 2023 Monthly Report.
July 2023 Monthly Report.
 5. **Department of Finance Monthly Report.**

6. Fire Department Monthly Report.
7. Police Department Monthly Report.
8. Municipal Court Monthly Report.
9. Department of Utilities Monthly Report.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan thanked and commended the staff for their effort to the Fourth of July Festival. Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas inquired about the City of San Juan's National Night Out initiative. Ruben Guajardo, PAL Director, stated that they are prepared for the occasion. Commissioner Santillan questioned Israel Garza, Director of Sanitation, on what can be placed in landfills. Mr. Garza said that while household trash, waste, and brushes are okay, mattresses, beds, and furniture are not. Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo inquired as to what the public may dispose of once payment is received. In response, Mr. Garza stated that everyone is allowed to dispose of anything as long as certain standards are followed. Mayor Pro Tem Villegas inquired about an update on the trash on Stewart. Commissioner Santillan asked Patrick Willingham, Parks and Recreation Director, about the status of vandalism and light fixture repairs at Mayfield Park. In response, Mr. Willingham indicated that the lights had been replaced and repairs had been done. Commissioner Guajardo inquired about games held at the public park. In response, Mr. Willingham stated that, while softball leagues prefer to avoid the heat, some games do run late. Mayor Pro-Tem Villegas asked Chief Tirso Garza for an update on the skate park next to the fire station. In response, Chief Garza stated that the park has been closed since the Fire Department's groundbreaking.

V. PUBLIC HEARING/ ORDINANCES

- A. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Rezoning Request from Single-Family Residence District (R-S) to Multi-Family Residence District (R-MF) of the property legally described as 9.59-acre tract of land out of Lots 9, 10 and 11, San Juan Hacienda Estates, as Requested by Mario Anaya.**

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning claimed that this item was brought to the City Commission in June. The Commission directed the applicant to meet with the residents, and it was his understanding that the meeting had already occurred. Furthermore, he added that he had the chance to meet with the applicant, realtor, and city attorney to discuss fresh information received from the future land use map in terms of development. Mr. Tijerina added that the Planning Commission advised denying the proposal.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:29 p.m.

Ernie Garza of Coldwell Banker indicated that he met with the neighbors a few weeks ago with a PowerPoint presentation and that it was "for" since it generated tax income for the city, county, and school district. Carlos Puente, a San Juan resident "against," requested if they would move back 25 feet, and they rejected. Rafael Mendoza, who represents the property's buyer, was unable to attend the meeting; nonetheless, they have visited with neighbors and are working to resolve any complaints. Sandra Orta, a San Juan resident, claims to be "against" crime because her main concern is crime and the fact that it occurs in apartments with renters coming in and out rather than homes with homeowners. Roy Ibanez attempted to consider all options and was open to talk more about the 25-foot barrier. Director of Planning and Zoning Daniel Tijerina advised a denial on June 1st, citing the need for a forfeit vote after reviewing the charter and regulations. Mayor Mario Garza understood that Mr. Ibanez had visited with the Planning and Zoning Department. Mr. Daniel Tijerina answers that he met with Mr. Ibanez, Mr. Garza, and Monica Gomez, Assistant Director of Planning and Zoning, and they reviewed the future land use map, which shows that just one color covers residential when specific requirements are satisfied. According to Mayor Pro-Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas, once the flats are authorized, they will require a gate code to enter and exit. Mayor Mario Garza inquired whether the barrier will be 8 feet. Mr. Ibanez says that they will meet the city's buffer and setback regulations. Mr. Ibanez is requesting rezoning at the present. Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan asked about the setback for the ordinances, and Mr. Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning and Zoning Department, says that they have yet to view the lot layout, but it is 20% of the lot debt. Mr. Ernie Garza of Coldwell Banker goes up and shows Mayor Mario Garza and Mayor Pro-Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas the future plans for Col-de-Sac, stating that if it is 25 feet, he is OK with it. Mayor Mario Garza inquires with Mr. Ernie Garza of Caldwell Banker about the type of fence that will be erected from the beginning of the residence.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:48 p.m.

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

- B. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Voluntary Annexation Petition of La Cantera Subdivision, being a 33.774-acre tract of land out of Lots 34, 37 and 38, San Juan Hacienda Estates Unit No. 1, located at the Northeast corner of Nebraska and Hall Acres Road, as Requested by Espino Construction, LLC.**

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, stated that this is the first reading of the voluntary annexation ordinance, and staff recommends approval of the first reading.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:48 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

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

- C. Hold a Public Hearing for the Voluntary Annexation Petition of the Proposed Valley Ranch Subdivision No. 5, 6 and 7; Tract 1: being a 36.99-acre tract of land out of Lots 14 and 15, Stewarts Addition to the Conway Garden Subdivision and Tract 2: being a 3.03-acre tract of land out of Lot 14, Block 27, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision, as Requested by Esponjas Development, LTD.**

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning stated that this is the second public hearing of the voluntary public annexation petition for this development and staff recommends approval of the second public hearing.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan. Motion Passed (5-0).

- D. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit for the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages (BG – Wine and Beer Retailer's Permit) for On-Premise Consumption at "Cheers Food Truck Park Bar, LLC." located at 232 E. Business 83, legally described as Lettered Blocks (San Juan) Lot 1, Block B, as Requested by Francisco Gortarez.**

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, indicated that this is a food truck park with an existing license for selling alcohol "to go." However, the applicant, Francisco Gortarez, wishes to sell alcohol on the premises from a food truck that he would station on-site. Furthermore, the Planning and Zoning Department has recommended approval. The applicant must comply with the Texas Alcoholic Beverages Commission (TABC) and local regulations for alcohol sales at the subject site.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:51 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the Public Hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo made motion to approve the item and was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas. Motion Passes (5-0).

- E. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit to operate "Marlen's Event Center" at 905 W. 1st Street Suites A and B, legally described as Lot 2, B.T. No. 1 Subdivision, as Requested by Fernando Rocha.**

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, stated that this is a conditional use permit that was brought up to the Planning and Zoning Commission on Thursday, August 3, 2023. Furthermore, notices were sent out to residents within a 200-foot radius; no comments were in favor of or against the request, and there was no opposition at the planning commission hearing. The Planning and Zoning Department is recommending approval of the conditional use permit; however, the applicant will need to comply with the Texas Alcoholic Beverages Commission (TABC) and city requirements for alcohol sales at the subject location.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Mayor Pro-Tem Marco “Markie” Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

- F. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit to allow “SJ Food Truck Park” at 2506 N. Raul Longoria Road, legally described as Lot 1, Uresti Subdivision, as Requested by Jose and Eliecer Uresti.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, stated that this was a request for a mobile food court, and in their packets, they would find the definition. Mobile Food Court: A ‘Mobile Food Court’ is a parcel of commercially zoned property where, through the required conditional use permit regulatory process, mobile food vending structures congregate to offer food and/or beverages for sale to the public. Furthermore, on February 28, 2023, the San Juan City Commission approved Ordinance 2023-04, which only allows food trucks inside of a mobile food court through a conditional use permit. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended the approval of the food court, and staff is recommending approval subject to compliance with all the conditions listed in the staff report.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

- G. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit to operate “Kairo’s Event Center” at 5201 N. Raul Longoria Road Suite 3, legally described as Lots 5 and 6, Arco Iris Unit No. 2 Subdivision, as Requested by Evangelina Garza Gonzalez.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, claimed that this would be an event center for weddings and quinceaneras, which was submitted to the Planning Commission on Thursday, August 3, 2023. In addition, there was no opposition during the planning commission hearing, and the planning and zoning commission recommended acceptance of the proposal. The Planning and Zoning Department recommends approval, subject to the application complying with the ordinance.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:56 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:56 p.m.

Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

- H. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit to operate “Ruby’s Event Center” at 2003 N. Veterans Boulevard Suites 1 and 2, legally described as Lot 1, Porciones Center Subdivision, as Requested by Elsa Rubi Juarez.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, stated that it is noted that on July 20, 2022, Sweet Events was approved at the same location and is now changing owners and business name. The Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommends approval, subject to the conditions outlined in the staff report.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:57 p.m.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:57 p.m.

Commissioner Adina “Dina” Santillan made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Motion Passed (5-0)

- I. Hold a Public Hearing and Consider an Ordinance for a Rezoning Request from the Neighborhood Commercial District (C-1) to the General Business District (C-2) of the 1.32-acre tract of land out of Lot 13, Block 35, Alamo Land and Sugar Company’s Subdivision, located at the Southwest corner of U.S. Business 83 and Cesar Chavez Road, as Requested by Raul Cantu.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning, stated that Mr. Raul Cantu is applying for a rezoning from the Neighborhood Commercial District (C-1) to the General Business District (C-2) of a 1.32-acre tract located at the southwest corner of U.S. Business 83 and Cesar Chavez Road. The surrounding properties consist of commercial and residential uses along U.S. Business Highway 83 and Cesar Chavez Road. According to the Future Land Use Map, the property is for commercial use. The item was presented to the Planning Commission on July 20, 2023, at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, and staff is recommending approval.

Mayor Mario Garza opened the public hearing at 6:58 p.m.

Commissioner Adina “Dina” Santillan asked Mr. Tijerina what the difference was between a rezoning from the Neighborhood Commercial District (C-1) to the General Business District (C-2). Mr. Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning and Zoning, stated that the Neighborhood Commercial District (C-1) is more like offices and businesses that have office hours closing at around 6:00 p.m., while the General Business District (C-2) is more like restaurants and businesses that have more traffic and stay open later.

Mayor Mario Garza closed the public hearing at 6:59 p.m.

Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

VI. APPOINTMENTS

A. Consider Removal and Appointment of Board Member(s) to the Keep San Juan Beautiful Board.

DISCUSSION: Brenda Escalante, City Secretary, stated that the Keep San Juan Beautiful Board of Directors is made up of seven (7) individuals who serve two (2) year staggered terms. According to the Keep San Juan Beautiful Bylaws, if an individual has been absent for more than three (3) consecutive times, he or she shall be automatically dismissed from membership. The staff recommends that two (2) new members be appointed to replace Maria Ocana and Angel Ramos.

Mayor Pro-Tem Marco “Markie” Villegas motioned to fill those two spots one of them being Jenna Ramirez and the other one being Carlos Puente and to Carry on Motion from Mayor Pro-Tem Marco “Markie” Villegas to remove Javier Moreno and replace with Janette Martinez was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Mayor Mario Garza opposed the removing of Javier Moreno. Motion Passed (4-1).

VII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL THE FOLLOWING MATTERS

A. Preliminary and Final Plat Approval of the Santa Anna Subdivision being a 11.225-acre tract of land out of the North half of the South half, of Lot 16, Block 8, John Closner Subdivision, located approximately 900 feet South of Eldora Road, along the West side of Raul Longoria Road, as Requested by M2 Engineering, PLLC.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning and Zoning, stated the developer is proposing a 31-lot subdivision just north of Dollar General along Raul Longoria Rd. The first lot would be commercial, and the second would be private and gated to have internal streets. Furthermore, the applicant has complied with the engineers and city staff requirements. Mr. Tijerina stated that the applicant is requesting some variances.

The developer is requesting the following variances:

- To reduce the fifteen (15) foot utility easement to be reduced to ten (10) feet along the boundary of the proposed subdivision.
- To reduce the minimum lot size requirement for R-MF development to be 8,669 S.F. for the proposed four-plex lots of the subdivision.
- To allow proposed lots 25-30 for parking to back up onto the proposed street.

Mr. Tijerina noted that Lift Station No. 6 currently has no capacity. He stated that the Planning Commission and staff recommended approval of the plat and variances. Commissioner Adina “Dina” Santillan asked Mr. Tijerina if, by the time the development was finished, the lift station would be up and running to be able to service the area. Mr. Daniel Tijerina replied that he believes so and that he spoke to Miguel Gracia and Juan Carlos Martinez from utilities. Juan Carlos Martinez, Interim Director of Utilities, confirmed that by the time the development was completed, the lift station would be able to hold the capacity.

Commissioner Adina “Dina” Santillan made motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Marco “Markie” Villegas Motion Passed (5-0).

B. Preliminary and Final Plat Approval of the Valley Ranch No. 6 Subdivision being a 21.07-acre tract of land out of Lot 14, Stewart's Addition to the Conway Gardens, located at the Southeast corner of Stewart and Hall Acres Road, as Requested by Quintanilla, Headley and Associates, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Daniel Tijerina, Director of Planning and Zoning, stated this item is for Valley Ranch No. 6, located at the southeast corner of Stewart and Hall Acres Road, as requested by Quintanilla, Headley, and Associates, Inc. The developer is proposing to subdivide a 21.07-acre tract of land located at the southeast corner of Stewart and Hall Acres Road. He is proposing a sixty-seven (67) multi-family lot subdivision with an entrance and exit along Hall Acres Road. The subdivision is located in a flood zone “B”—areas between the 100-year and 500-year limits, according to the FEMA Map. It is noted that the property is located outside the city limits of San Juan, and a voluntary annexation petition was submitted by the property owner. Water service will be provided by the Military Highway Water Supply Corporation, and sewer service will be provided by the City of San Juan. Additional fire hydrants should be located every 500 feet of the existing fire hydrant. Water lines shall be looped to the 8-inch water line, as per San Juan Fire Department

requirements. Eddie Cantu states that they forgot to include a couple of variances: to the south, there will never be developments due to it being a levy; to the east, they own the property and will bring a future residential property; to the north, there is vacant land on Moore Rd. and Stewart as a buffer. Mr. Eddie Cantu is asking, as a variance is a back setback, and the utility setback of 10 feet and a 5-foot setback is what they have at Cristian Estates, so they have done it before. Alfonso Quintanilla from Quintanilla Headley and Associates states that "Zone B" is actually a no-hazard flood zone, and it's not of concern.

Mayor Pro-Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Hidalgo County Elections Department's Request for Early Voting/Election Day Polling Location of the San Juan Memorial Library for the 2023 General Election.

DISCUSSION: Brenda Escalante, City Secretary, stated that Hidalgo County Elections Department is requesting the use of the San Juan Memorial Library for the early voting and election day of the upcoming November 7th Constitutional Amendment Election. Early voting will be on October 23rd through November 3rd with election day of November 7th, 2023.

Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo "Lenny" Sanchez. Motion Passed (5-0).

D. Discussion and Consider Proposed Tax Rate for the City of San Juan for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 and set Public Hearing.

DISCUSSION: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager, stated we are recommending not changing the tax rate. The percentage recommended will allow us bigger opportunities for future bonds. Leroy Gonzalez, Finance Director, stated that according to the property tax rate, a proposed tax rate of 0.6765 exceeds the unused increment rate of 0.7676, a record vote must be taken, and one public hearing should be scheduled. The public hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, August 22nd, at 6:00 p.m. at the San Juan Memorial Library, Multipurpose Meeting Room.

Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo made motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas. Motion Passed (5-0).

E. Discussion and Consideration to Approve an Agreement with Troy & Banks for Audit Services, Examine Relevant Accounting Data on Franchise/Tax from our Local Cable Provider.

DISCUSSION: Leroy Gonzalez, Finance Director stated this agreement is for Troy & Banks to do an audit for our cable company to determine future take and other monies owed to the members that previously got counted. Basically, they are just going to make sure that the active addresses within the members boundaries that were included in the franchise fees remittance. Mr. Gonzalez added if there's findings, we will pay them 40 percent but if there's no findings, there no fee.

Commissioner Leonardo "Lenny" Sanchez made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

F. Discussion and Consideration to Award RFB NO. 23-014-08-03 City of San Juan Tierra De Palmas Water Service Upgrades and Authorize the City Manager to Execute all Related Documents as Needed to the Most Responsible.

DISCUSSION: Leroy Gonzalez, Finance Director stated On July 19, 2023 and July 26, 2023 Staff Advertised in the Advance News Journal to Solicit Sealed Proposals for RFB NO. 23-014-08-03 City of San Juan Tierra De Palmas Subdivision Water Service Upgrades. On July 26, 2023 a Pre-Bid Conference was held and a Bid Opening was held on August 3, 2023. Bids were submitted by the following:

1. Saenz Utility Contractor
2. OMT Utilities
3. MJA Construction, LLC
4. RGV Industrial Machine Shop & Pumps
5. McAllen Multi Service
6. RDH Site & Concrete
7. Reya Construction

Consider the Recommendation from TRIMAD Consultants L.L.C. to Award RFB NO. 23-014-08-03 City of San Juan Tierra De Palmas Water Service Upgrades to OMT Utilities and Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Contract and Execute all Related Documents.

Commissioner Leonardo "Lenny" Sanchez made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

VIII. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Consideration and Action Regarding Resolution in Support of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for Mexico to Comply with the Terms of the 1944 Treaty.**

DISCUSSION: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager stated this is a standard resolution brought back every two years.

Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo. Motion Passed. (5-0).

- B. Consideration and Action Regarding Resolution in Support of the Rio Grande Valley Partnership "One Region, One Voice " Initiative for Regional Partnerships and Marketing Efforts.**

DISCUSSION: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager stated that this is an initiative for regional collaborations and marketing initiatives, as they were waiting for the governor to sign the petition. They were invited to attend the "One Region, One Voice" on Thursday, August 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Ernesto "Neto" Guajardo. Motion Passed (5-0).

IX. CONTRACTUALS

- A. Consideration to Approve the Interlocal Agreement Between the City of San Juan and the City of Weslaco for Animal Control Operations and Impoundment Services and Authorize the Mayor to Execute any Related Documents.**

DISCUSSION: Benjamin Arjona, City Manager stated this is an annual contract and this year there is a slight increase. Mr. Arjona remarked that he thinks Weslaco is less expensive than other shelters.

Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" made motion to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Adina "Dina" Santillan. Motion Passed (5-0).

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider Approval of the Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2023**
- B. Consider Approval of the Budget Expenditure Report for the Month of June 30, 2023**
- C. Consider Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the Month of June 2023.**
- D. Consider Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes:**
- June 27, 2023
 - July 11, 2023

Mayor Pro Tem Marco "Markie" Villegas made motion to approve and was seconded by Mayor Mario Garza. Motion Passed (5-0).

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. The San Juan City Commission will Convene in Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Open Meeting 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 for 2023 Noche De Paz.**
 - 2. Pursuant to Section §551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legal Issues Concerning the Entertainment Agreement for Event to be held on September 30, 2023, Hosted by Keep San Juan Beautiful Board.**
 - 3. Pursuant to Section §551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legal Issues Concerning the Agreement with Pharr Emergency Ambulance Services.**
 - 4. Pursuant to Section §551.071 Consultation with Attorney and Section §551.087, ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS; Deliberation Regarding City Real Estate Properties.**

Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo made motion to enter into executive session at 7:20p.m. and was seconded by Mayor Garza. Motion Passed. (5-0)

XII. RECONVENE

Commissioner Ernesto “Neto” Guajardo made motion to reconvene at 9:59 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. 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 Meeting Subchapter E, Procedures Relating to Closed Meeting, 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 for 2023 Noche De Paz.

Mayor Mario Garza made motion as discussed under executive session and was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Marco “Markie” Villescas. Motion Passed (5-0).

2. Pursuant to Section §551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legal Issues Concerning the Entertainment Agreement for Event to be held on September 30, 2023, Hosted by Keep San Juan Beautiful Board.

Mayor Mario Garza made motion as discussed under executive session and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Motion Passed. (5-0).

3. Pursuant to Section §551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legal Issues Concerning the Agreement with Pharr Emergency Ambulance Services.
No Action

4. Pursuant to Section §551.071 Consultation with Attorney and Section §551.087, ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS; Deliberation Regarding City Real Estate Properties.

Mayor Mario Garza made motion as discussed under executive session and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Motion Passed (5-0).

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Marco “Markie” Villgas made motion to adjourn at 10:00 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Leonardo “Lenny” Sanchez. Motion Passed (5-0).



ATTEST:


Brenda Escalante, City Secretary

CITY OF SAN JUAN, TEXAS


Mario Garza, Mayor