COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018, 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Diaz, Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Garcia and Gonzales; City Manager Squyres, City Attorney DeFoyd and City Secretary Raines. Council Member Lee absent due to illness.

The meeting was opened with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and Seconded by Council Member Rivas to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Vote 4 For 0 Against

# **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Chief Ayala wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving Holiday and reminded them that if they were going out of town, they could come by the police station and sign up for a vacation watch. He discussed a problem they were having on Munn Street where the pipeline people were working and advised that it was being cleaned up and reported that the new police station was coming along. He cautioned everyone to be aware of their surroundings and be safe.

He advised they were having issues with an individual calling the EMS approximately 28 time continuously and they were checking with the AG's office and were waiting for a call so they could try and assist him.

Mayor Diaz stated that she had gotten calls about a problem with a 18 Wheeler behind Popeyes.

Chief Mier advised it was quite at the station except for the individual Chief Ayala was speaking about, the station was coming along nicely and cautioned anyone frying turkeys to be very careful and they were predicting some possible bad weather so watch for weather reports.

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Kyle Reed, Public Works Director, stated the bridge on Market Street should be open tomorrow or Monday, the Christmas lights were all up and everything looked good. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and advised that he had to leave, they had a problem with a lift station. He also advised Council Member Rivas that the pipeline contractor was cleaning up on Munn Street.

Elizabeth Flores, Heritage Hall Director, stated that today was a happy day for the seniors, that Congress Woman Shelia Jackson Lee had brought 70 turkeys to the center today and that the December Calendar for the center was out.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Squyres gave an update on the progress at the police station, advising that phonoscope was dropping wire today and also for Other city facilities as well. He stated that it looked as if they would be able to start moving in before long.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Second and Final reading of Ordinance 2018-5 Amending Garbage Fee Ordinance Sec. E: (1) Residential & (2) Commercial.

A motion was made by Council Member Gonzales and seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve Ordinance 2018-5 on the second and final reading. Vote: 4 For 0 Against

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Proclamation Proclaiming January 2019 as GPISD School Board Month in Jacinto City.

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve Proclamation Proclaiming January

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2019 as GPISD School Board Month in Jacinto City. Vote: 4 For 0 Against

There were no Public Comments.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** 

Council Member Rivas stated that on the pipeline concerns, the easement was getting pretty full and he thought that before we approved another application we needed to have some rules in place to address this and make sure they follow our requirements.

He stated that on transporting the individual, he knew we can't deny him service but hopefully we can help him. He stated that fiber optic was exciting and he was looking forward to it.

He wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving and God Bless.

Council Member Robinson wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and to be safe.

Council Member Garcia thanked everyone for coming out and to have a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Council Member Gonzales Thanked everyone for coming out and to stay safe.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Raines
City Secretary