

**COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2018, 6:00 P.M.**

**The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present; Mayor Diaz, Council Members Robinson, Lee, Garcia and Gonzales: City Manager Squyres, City Attorney DeFoyd and City Secretary Raines. Council Member Rivas absent.**

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

**A motion was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the minutes as presented: Vote 4 For 0 Against**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Chief Ayala passed on his report**

**Chief Mier passed on her report**

**Ivan Rojas, Parks and Recreation Director advised that the Food Bank would be at Town Center tomorrow from 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon.**

**Elizabeth Flores, Heritage Hall Director announced that all was going well at the center and they were all looking forward to their upcoming Christmas Party.**

**Israel Savela, Jacinto City Library, advised that they would be having story time with Santa on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.. He announced that the library had received a grant and that 2019 would be a good year.**

**City Manager Squyres advised that we were missing Kyle, that a contractor hit a water line and we had a sewer line problem earlier and that a contractor had damage one of the pipe line and we would have to close down Munn street for them to repair the line. Mr. Squyres advised that one of our police officers had to shoot a dog that was trying to attack children and discussed the incident. He also advised that the police station was in the final stages.**

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**Mayor Diaz advised that we had finished the parade and Santa on the Fire Truck, that we had a big parade with a large crowd watching and a lot of children out to see Santa on the Fire Truck. She thanked Joyce and Kathy and everyone for the hard work involved in carrying out the events.**

**Mayor Diaz thanked the Galena Park Cheerleaders, the Gents and the Interact Club and Furr High School JROTC for their good response.**

**Mayor Diaz stated there was no Unfinished Business or New Business to be take care of.**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

**Raul Rodriguez, 1410 Jennifer, stated that he saw the dog chasing the Children and it was a fast and quick thinking move by the Officer that Probably save the child and he thanked the officer and Chief for their services.**

**Mayor Diaz stated there were some negative comments on social media and they appreciated comments from someone who actually saw what happened, that our officers were well trained and ask that any one seeing loose dogs to please call and report them.**

**Mr. Purcell, 11211 Munn stated that he had been fighting for a street light for years and they keep telling him that it was Centerpoint and ask about the status.**

**Mr. Squyres advised that we still did not have all the street light placed throughout the city yet. There was general discussion on the problems we were having getting answers from the Center point.**

**Mr. Purcell stated that there were a lot of kids that walk through there and there were no sidewalks.**

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**Ms. Angelia Rubio discussed a new program at HISD working with the school, city and community to encourage them to work together.**

**Mayor Diaz ask when the sign at Market & Holland was going to be able to use and was advised that was also a problem with Center Point getting power to it and they have advised us that it was scheduled for the first week in January.**

**Council Member Gonzales ask Mr. Purcell if there had ever been a light at that location and Mr. Purcell was not sure, if so it had been years ago.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

**Council Member Robinson stated that the Food Baskets and Toys for Tots were given out on Wednesday and thanked everyone who donated and volunteered to help with the program. He wished everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.**

**Council Member Lee wish everyone a Merry Christmas, to be safe and God bless.**

**Council Member Garcia ask if anyone knew what was going on at Whittier and was advised it was a Band Concert. She wished everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.**

**Council Member Gonzales thanked everyone for coming out and wished all a Merry Christmas.**

**Mayor Diaz announced the winners in the Christmas Parade:**

- Most Beautiful Float – Lori’s Dance Studio Float**
- Most Original Entry - Jacinto City Pre School -3 Year old A.M. Class**
- Best Marching/Walking Group – Galena Park High School Bank of Gold**
- Mayor’s Choice: North Channel Martial Arts**

**Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m..**

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**Respectfully submitted,**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joyce Raines". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the phrase "Respectfully submitted,".

**Joyce Raines  
City Secretary**