

COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2011, 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Diaz, Council Members Claudio Ochoa, Rachel Nunez, Jose Ramon, Christopher Ochoa and Mario Gonzales; City Manager Maner, City Attorney DeFoyd and City Secretary Raines.

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

A motion was made by Council Member Nunez and seconded by Council Member Christopher Ochoa to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Vote: 5 For 0 Against

Mayor Diaz called upon the department heads for their reports:

Chief Ayala advised that burglary of motor vehicles was up and he wanted everyone to be aware that we did have an aggravated robbery in the city and they were working on it. (at Public Storage In the 10900 block of I-10 East Fwy.) Chief Ayala ask that everyone please be respectful of others.

Chief Squyres called attention to a portion of the website that allows anyone to receive information on any city service and city functions.

Kyle Reed, Public Works Director, reminded everyone of the Tire Roundup on May 21st from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., that they would pick up three tires per household and the tires must be Removed from the rims. He advised that the pipe bursting crews were working in the 10300 and 10400 blocks of Muscatine and Oswego, they were doing a good job but please let us know if there were any problems.

Kim Bellotte, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that all was going great, that they had several pool rentals and were getting ready for swimming lessons.

Cindy Miller, Heritage Hall Director, thanked everyone for their help and presence at the Senior Citizens Olympics. Cindy introduced one of her new assistants, Debbie Bridgeman.

Stephanie Orr, Jacinto City Library, reported that the library had been busy as usual and the renovations had been delayed, they would be open through June and they were getting ready for the summer reading programs.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Diaz welcomed the public works employees that were there and ask them to stand and be recognized. He stated they do an excellent job and their service to the city was tremendous and this also applied to our police department who was here tonight.

Mayor Diaz stated that he would like to recognize that we did have a retirement party for Mr. Jim Keal and his wife Fran over at the community center yesterday and we thanked him for his service to the Galena Park School District, that he was here for several years and he reached out and touched many children and parents lives in this community and he did an excellent job and we would miss them. He wished ever body a belated Mothers Day. Mayor Diaz advised that this was National Nursing Home week and if they had an opportunity, stop by and thank them for doing a good job.

Maryor Diaz read a Proclamation designating the week of May 22nd through the 28th as hurricane preparedness week in Texas and in the City of Jacinto City. Mayor Diaz stated that hurricane season was coming up on us and ask everyone to please start getting prepared that we have had some examples in the past where we experienced tropical storm Allison and hurricane Ike and it was really important that we did prepare for something that might occur and hope that it by passes us.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Maner stated that all was going well in the city and that he had an important announcement, that today was the Mayor's birthday and everyone sang happy birthday to him. Mayor Diaz thanked everyone.

NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Diaz stated that we were going to start with Item 3 on the agenda and then proceed to No. 1.

3. City Attorney DeFoyd stated that he had issued a memo to each of the council members and he would make this very short, that there was apparently a misunderstanding whether or not we had an ordinance that prohibits parking on sidewalks and we do have such an ordinance, the traffic code of the City of Jacinto City adopts the Transportation Code of the State of Texas which specifically prohibits the parking of motor vehicles on sidewalks, so we have an ordinance in existence and the chief had assured him that he was going to be writing tickets for anybody that is on that sidewalk.

Mayor Diaz stated that he would like to get some input on this, that he had noticed that during the day time hours most of our citizens and our people that are commuting out of our city are either at their job or at school so a lot of the vehicles are out of the city during that time but at night he had also noticed, he walked the city at night, and noticed a lot of the vehicles are parked where they usually park and a lot of them do park on the sidewalks and with some of the larger vehicles, if they are parked on the street, their side mirrors stick out a little too far and you can sideswipe them and what he would ask each and every council person to do and maybe some of the citizens, is to pay attention to this to see if maybe there was a time zone that we should enforce this and

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also he would like for them to observe this that he knew there were a lot of vehicle parked in the city and sometimes it was in these different time zones and take this into consideration.

1. Councilman Claudio Ochoa stated that he wanted city council to vote on this item

tonight and ask Kyle to purchase and install the No Parking On Sidewalk signs with a minimum of three or four signs per block from Palestine to Lane St. on Holland Avenue and he made a motion that we do that.

Council Member Nunez ask Mr. Reed if it would be necessary to put three or four signs on each block or would less signs work. Mr. Reed stated that he would get with the chief and city manager but one question he had though, to answer her question, he didn't know. He stated that was what Councilman Ochoa was recommending or requesting, he ask Councilman Ochoa if he wanted the signs to specifically say No Parking on Sidewalks. Councilman Ochoa replied yes. Mr. Reed stated they did not have those signs so they would have to be make. Council Member Nunez questioned again how much the signs cost and Mr. Reed ask if he could call and let them know. Councilman Ochoa stated that he knew they were not very expensive and Mr. Reed stated they were probably \$30 to \$40 dollars each. Councilman Ramon stated that he seconded that motion. Council Member Nunez advised him that she was still talking and he stated that he didn't know. Ms. Nunez ask Mr. Reed if he thought they were about \$30 or \$40 dollars. Mr. Reed stated for the sign and pole that was probably right but that Councilman Ochoa had answered his question, that he wanted No Parking on Sidewalks specifically mention, not just No Parking signs and Councilman Ochoa stated that was right, Kyle stated that we had No Parking signs up now. Council Member Nunez ask if we had enough funds in our city budget or did he think we would have to go into our General Fund surplus. Mr. Reed stated that he hadn't look at the sign budget, but we could probably make that happen. Council Member Nunez stated that she hated to go into our surplus being that we were coming into hurricane season and we would be needing money in case we had another Ike or Allison and that was her concern.

Councilman Gonzales stated that he was wondering if the signs were necessary, we did have the newsletter that goes out and also the web page, would it be better to mention it on there as a reminder rather than having to actually buy signs. Councilman Ochoa ask him if he was against the signs, was that it. Councilman Gonzales stated that no he wasn't against the signs, he just thought that we could use that money more appropriately than putting up the signs.

Councilman Ochoa ask Mr. Reed how many signs were we talking about, Kyle stated probably two in each block and Councilman Ochoa stated that he was proposing three or four and if we went with three, we looking at approximately twenty signs. Mr. Reed replied twenty to twenty-five. Councilman Ochoa stated we were talking about a little money we were going to spend and we were going to save damages to the sidewalks and that was the way he thinks we should go and he had made a motion to do that Mayor and he was waiting on a second.

Mayor Diaz stated there was a no parking sign directly in front of the nursing home and ask if that was for that sidewalk. Mr. Reed replied that it was for that area.

City Manager Maner stated the sign included the sidewalk but it also included the shoulder over
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there. Mayor Diaz ask if we had the signs in stock that just said No Parking , Mr. Reed replied that he had the No Parking signs but didn't have the signs that specifically say No Parking on Sidewalks and he believed that was what Councilman Ochoa wanted. Mayor Diaz ask if they thought we needed that and Councilman Ochoa stated that he made a motion to do that and he did think we needed that because the citizens were not, at this point, paying attention to the No

Parking signs and he would like to get a second to his motion or not get a second.

Councilman Ramon seconded the motion. Vote: 3 For 2 Against (Nunez & Gonzales against)

4. Councilman Ochoa stated that he thought the procedure was to let the person who was bringing an item to the agenda state his item and then make a motion and if he get a second, then discussion on the matter was that correct, that he wouldn't people just jumping in and running all over the place because there was a procedure that we need to follow, was that correct. Mayor Diaz stated yes.

Mayor Diaz stated that before we discuss this item he would like to talk about it a little bit, that he knew that at one of the council meeting previously, he thought that one of the council members had put this on the agenda, he wasn't sure which council member it was and ask if anybody recalled. Council Member Nunez stated that Councilman Claudio Ochoa placed it on the agenda on January 27th. Mayor Diaz stated that he understood that it was tabled by the city council until after the elections, was that true. Council Member Nunez stated that according to the minutes yes.

Councilman Claudio Ochoa stated that he was making a new motion, he was putting it on the agenda to appoint the Charter Committee today, was the Mayor saying he couldn't do that. He put it on the agenda. Mayor Diaz stated that he was going to recommend that we do wait until after the election. Councilman Ochoa stated that he was making a motion to do it and that was his motion and could he go ahead and do that Mayor.

Mayor Diaz stated that we had a motion made by Claudio Ochoa (Mr. Ochoa stated that he was not through making the motion Mayor could he go ahead and make his motion.)

Councilman Ochoa made a motion that we appoint the following people to the Charter Review Committee, that he had talked to people that are interested in doing that and he appreciates their interest and he would to ahead and call out the name for those appointment: Nancy Gosney, Robert Nichols, Allan Jamail, Raul Rodriguez and Gloria Negrette (Mayor Diaz gaveled down comments from the public). The motion was seconded by Councilman Ramon. Mayor Diaz ask if he could hold on a second until he called on him. Mayor Diaz ask Mr. Ochoa to repeat the names again. Mayor Diaz ask if all the council agreed with this and Councilman Ochoa told the Mayor that he said we were going to make a motion, get a second, or table it, or whatever, if he didn't get a second then we could discuss it, could he get a second or no second, they could discuss it afterwards and Mayor Diaz stated he was talking to them right now.

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Council Member Nunez ask if this was the people he was suggesting without them having any input on who they wanted on this committee. Councilman Ochoa stated that he spoke to her and she said she had no one for this committee. Ms. Nunez stated that she did on January 27th, she was prepared and the gentleman was here. Councilman Ochoa stated ok, did she have someone for this committee. Ms. Nunez stated yes but she was going to wait until it was time for us to (Mr. Ochoa stated it was time to nominate right now, he was making a motion. Ms. Nunez stated not necessarily and Mr. Ochoa stated yes it is.

Councilman Gonzales ask Mr. Ochoa what gave him the right to pick for them. Mr. Ochoa stated that he was not picking for him, that he called him and ask if he had somebody and he said no, did he have someone. Mr. Gonzales stated no he didn't . Mr. Ochoa stated ok so he had to pick somebody if he didn't have anybody. Ms. Nunez stated not necessarily and Mr. Gonzales stated that he didn't get that right and Mr. Ochoa stated yes he did, we were going to appoint someone to the committee and if the council approves these people then the people that vote for it, we have that right to do it. Mr. Ochoa stated that he gave him the opportunity to put in an appointment and ask him which one of those people would he like to take off and nominate one tonight he would still give him an opportunity. Councilman Gonzales ask if he could ask Councilman Ochoa a question and he stated he could. Mayor Diaz stated to let us go ahead and get a second.

The Motion was seconded by Councilman Ramon.

Councilman Gonzales addressed Councilman Ochoa stating that with all due respect could he ask him a question and Mr. Ochoa replied yes. Councilman Gonzales ask Councilman Ochoa if he believed he was a fair man and Mr. Ochoa stated yes sir he was. Mr. Gonzales stated that having said that, did he think that he had the right to pick for him. Mr. Ochoa stated that he gave him an Opportunity to pick, he didn't take that right from him. Mr. Gonzales ask him if he realized that we were fixing to have an election Saturday and there might be four new members here on this council, did he think it was right for him to pick for them. Mr. Ochoa stated there might not be any new members on the council and Councilman Gonzales replied but there may be and Councilman Ochoa stated there might not be. Councilman Gonzales stated that his point was that he didn't think it was fair to the citizens for us to pick a review committee when the new people were actually going to have a hand in this, they were the one that were going to be working with these people. Councilman Ochoa stated he thought the process would be that if the new people come in and the committee brings something that is not to their liking, they can turn it down. It was a process, the city council would still have a word on this whoever is up there.

Council Woman Nunez stated that on January 27th when he had put this on the agenda, he did not tell her that he was going to table it until we got here to the council meeting and she had the gentleman that she was going to appoint and she felt she had a right to appoint someone. Councilman Ochoa ask her if she would like to bring the person that she wanted to appoint. Council Woman Nunez stated when the right time come and Councilman Ochoa stated the right time was now and Ms. Nunez stated no it was not. Mr. Ochoa stated it was the right time, that we have a second and we have discussion and we have to take a vote. Mr. Ochoa stated that he

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talked to her before the council meeting and you said that you didn't have a person to appoint. Ms. Nunez stated that she didn't say that, she told him she was going to wait until after, that the gentleman that I wanted to appoint was here on the 27th and she didn't know that he was going to table it until we were here at the council meeting. Mr. Ochoa stated the she knew that the item on the agenda went on at 12:00 noon Monday and he placed a call to her stating that he needed to talk to her and she didn't respond. Ms. Nunez stated no sir because he didn't give her an opportunity on the 27th of January when he tabled it. Mr. Ochoa stated that he had the right to table it if he didn't want to proceed with an agenda item.

Councilman Ramon ask if he could make a comment, that he thought that we were all afforded an opportunity to pick a person and if we chose not to do so you don't have a choice but we were all afforded, he got a call from the councilman (Councilman Ochoa stated that he called every councilman) and the same person he picked then is the same person that he would like to keep there so it doesn't matter if it was January 27th or right now, it shouldn't make a difference, we have a motion on the floor, let's vote on it.

Councilman Gonzales stated that he had a question for the city attorney and ask him if it was legal for him to pick for them because that was exactly what he did.

City Attorney DeFoyd stated that he could make a motion and he could nominate the people that he wanted to nominate and it could go before the council for a vote and if it passes, the mayor can veto it if he wants too and he stated that he might add that if there was a change on the council, it could be undone as well.

Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated that he had a question for the city attorney as well, that he had mentioned that the mayor could veto the (City Attorney DeFoyd stated that the mayor could veto any resolution or ordinance and this was a resolution).

Mayor Diaz called for a vote. Vote: 3 for 2 Against (Nunez and Gonzales voting against)

Mayor Diaz stated that he would like to veto this resolution.

Mayor Diaz stated that the reason why he did that was because it was placed on the agenda a few meeting ago and we tabled it to hold it until after the elections and all the council agreed on that.

5. Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated that about a month ago, he talked to the Barker residence and they had come to him with a complaint they had about vehicle that had rammed into their fence coming from Switzer Street and they pretty much requested that they have speed bumps on the 200 block of Palestine and they went as far as to put together a petition and collected signatures from residents on that block. He stated that he spoke to a good majority of the residents that were there and some of the were actually against it but understood that having a speed reduction mechanism at their block would actually prevent a lot speeders that are going through in lieu of going down Switzer where we had previously placed speed bumps and what he did, because he didn't personally like the speed bumps we have here in Jacinto city, he actually did

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some measurements for the speed bumps in Galena Park and if the council would refer to their pictures here, that on 6th Street in Galena Park, there was a speed bump on the left picture and it shows a yard stick that he had put out there and those speed bumps range from 36" wide by 4" high and he also checked other areas in Galena Park and it is pretty identical and he would think that was the basis of their speed bumps there. He stated the next page had Jacinto city's speed bumps and this was actually taken on the 10800 block of Lane Street and as they can tell, there is a huge contrast between our speed bump in Jacinto city and the speed bumps in Galena Park. Jacinto city's speed bumps measure 11' 6" x 10" high and in his opinion, he thinks that is way to large, in fact, if you were to do the math, you could fit about three of Galena Parks speed bumps into one

of Jacinto City and he actually saw cars that stopped completely in Galena Park and yielded to that speed bump then carried on, he stated, in fact, in Jacinto City there had been many residential complaints, they told him that when they go over our speed bump, the under carriage from their cars can get damaged if their vehicle is low enough and residents that are near speed bumps say that the only thing that happens is that many residents just speed off, it is like a 100 mile dash or 100 meter dash from where one speed bump is to the next one, so he was thinking that what he would like to do was recommend a couple of speed bumps be placed on the 200 block of Palestine Street, maybe 500 ft. from both entrances, he believed that would prevent a lot of the speeding that were going on. He stated that he took it upon himself and he talked with Councilman Gonzales at the meeting earlier and he thinks it is important that we address the needs of the citizens on the 200 block of Palestine street so he wanted to put it in the form of a motion that the council install speed bumps on the 10200 block of Palestine with funds to come from the street department budget and if there isn't funds available, the general fund surplus as needed.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Nunez.

Councilman Gonzales stated that as Chris had mentioned, they did speak about this and he agreed with him that the size could be narrowed but the purpose of the speed bumps is to slow the people down and no matter what size they are, that is what they do but what they do after they pass them is another matter and you can't have one every 6" but as far as Mr. Barker, this was an isolated incident with the vehicle coming around the corner and going up into the yard but his thought was, are we opening up a can of worms with this because if someone else has issue, are they going to want one in front of their yard, then you have them every other house, he believed that we needed to address this for Mr. Barker and he believes there is another solution but as far as putting a speed bump, he didn't think it was needed, there was another way to handle this .

Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated that he agreed with Mr. Gonzales in some regard, he thought that we really need to take it on a case by case basis and afford the residents a chance to come to the council and this was exactly what happened with Mr. and Mrs. Barker, they came to me as a councilman and he believed some other citizens of the community and to some department heads and requested the speed bumps but he did agree with Councilman Gonzales that we don't want to open up a can of worms, that was not his intention at all, he did think there needed to be a method behind now we address these issues and one thing that he was just thinking was in some communities you have signs that say slow or drive carefully we love our children, that was something that we could also put on our streets in certain areas and he would like to call on

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Chief Ayala, that he knew that he did a study based on the traffic citations and that was how we got our speed bumps on Switzer Street and Munn Street as well and he would be foolish not to take his opinion on this as well.

Chief Ayala stated that he made some notes and he knew that there was at least ten household residents that had complained about the speeding vehicles in the 10200 block of Palestine, we have had several traffic accident complaints in that location, there was heavy traffic down Palestine and Switzer particularly when the train is coming through and they are trying to beat the train, also in the 1300 block of Mercury we have quite a bit of traffic when the train is coming through, there is a problem there and he is aware that cars go down Palestine to avoid the speed bumps on Switzer and

his recommendation and he had talked to the city manager and Kyle Reed and he recommended speed bumps at that location.

Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated that he thought this was something that we really needed to answer the call on, there were citizens that formulated a petition and he had put this in the form of a motion.

Mayor Diaz ask Kyle Reed if we could redesign the speed bumps.

City Manager Maner ask Kyle if our speed bumps were not based upon the ones used in the City of Houston.

Mr. Reed stated that he had a spec from the City of Houston because they work. He stated that when they started putting the speed bumps down, they went to Galena Park and looked at those and they don't work, if they wanted to put them about 20 or 30 ft. apart but just to go on Palestine and put two of those speed bumps like they have in Galena Park, you were wasting time and money. He stated that we have to follow a spec, he was not sure where Galena Park got theirs, he could find it and we could do that if it was what the council wanted.

City Manager Maner stated that he was not opposed to this at all but let him say that before you just picked something out, that we need people that know something about this, for instance Public Works Director Kyle Reed to look at it and come back with a recommendation to us about the size of the speed bumps and secondly, he drives in Galena Park all the time and he would have to agree with Kyle, they don't work, maybe something in between would work, cut down on the material but still have an effective speed reduction device.

Councilman Ramon ask Councilman Ochoa whatever happened to the type of bump that he was proposing before, the plastic. Councilman Ochoa stated those were based on recycled rubber, and he didn't actually pull his notes on that and to his knowledge from his discussion with Mr. Reed, those were going to cost a little more than what a normal speed bump would cost using asphalt so since we were in the business of trying to save some money, it might not be feasible to use the recycled rubber speed bump and he ask Kyle to comment if he would like. Mr. Reed stated just to say that those speed bumps that Councilman Ochoa had pointed out, that after you buy all the parts, they are more expensive and they were designed for parking lots, it was a good idea but there would be extremely high maintenance, it would be hard to keep them in place the way they

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are secured to asphalt. Councilman Ochoa stated that was when we first started discussing speed bumps on Switzer and having said that, that was why he was looking to put speed bumps on Palestine Street and he recommended, like Jack said, just coming to an agreement, if it was not the Galena Park speed bumps, not necessarily the Jacinto City ones because those things were huge. He stated he thought to be completely honest, he felt the Galena Park speed bumps would be perfect for the 10200 block of Palestine because it was such a small stretch of road, he explained what the main impact was and stated that was why he would recommend putting them at the ends, Maybe 500 ft. from both sides of the entrance to the 10200 block of Palestine and he thinks that would address the issue and if at that point and time, if needed, we could add another one.

Vote: 5 For 0 Against

2. Larry Schion, 506 Hare-Cooke Rd., Crosby, stated he wanted to start out with saying that the documents he was holding was an official police document received from Jacinto city and last Saturday, he was here in the city visiting someone and a police officer knocked on the door and advised him that his car was parked the wrong way and an anonymous came in and said they needed to come check it out and when they went out, it was an officer named Ms. Simpson and she advised him that she was going to have to give him a citation and so he immediately moved the car but while he was leaving, he thought that if it was an anonymous call there had to be someone watching because someone wanted gain out of it so as he drove off, he turned and came back around and he followed one of the guys running for council, Mr. Reynoso, he was in his truck watching the ticket being given to him which was ok because he followed him to his house just to let him know I knew it was him. He stated he wondered who made the call so he checked into it further so he went to the police station and requested the report through the open records act and Mr. Reynoso had called Mr. Ochoa and Mr. Ochoa called the police chief and the police chief called the police department, it was his job, he was the chief, they jump when he talks, they do what he says, they came down wrote him a ticket and he moved but what he wanted them to realize was that these names that is on this paper, if they will do it to him, they would do it to them so you need to tell all your friends and neighbors to be careful about Mr. Ochoa and Mr. Reynoso both because he had the proof to prove it, that this documentation came from Mr. Ochoa and he thought he was his friend, he had ask him if he would go measure these humps with him and he went and measure these humps even though if people saw him with Mr. Ochoa they would think he was a trader and this is the kind of favor he get for helping him. (Councilman Ochoa asked if he could make a comment) Mr. Schion stated no he was talking and he didn't want anyone to talk until he was through. Mr. Schion stated the second thing he wanted to talk about was the letter he was holding that hit every house in our neighborhood and it stated that Carmela was a crook, she was a thief, she didn't live in our city and he wanted it to be known that he looked on our open records act under the Harris County records and there was a lady whose name was Carmela Garcia but she was 67 years old and retired and Carmela lives here and they should laugh because it says she doesn't live here and it says just look into the documentation and you would see that she did some criminal stuff with the city and so he did, he called the city and ask how he could get the documentation they were talking about and was advised there was no documentation and he advised the that the statement said it was and they said the statement was a lie, and with that said these things hit the street and he was here a couple of weeks ago and he heard a lady, her name was Ms. Cantu and she spoke about a little girl that was violated because they did something at
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school talking about politics and so a letter states that she molested the rights for an 11 year old hearing something in school and so they took this letter and they ran with it when there wasn't any proof of it, it hadn't been investigated, it had not been opened to the public so you couldn't know and if they don't know that, how could they put this out on every door step and it really offended him terribly bad because he did know Ms. Garcia and she was a good lady and with that said, he heard Mr. Ochoa say they would like to put five people on here, one of them Raul Rodriguez and the other being Allen Jamail, Raul Rodriguez was on most all of their signs and he helps with them so that is not a good choice because that could be a political favor and we don't want that. Allen Jamail was like a campaign advisor for Position 1 and Position 4, he advises them on everything so that seems to be like political favors and he didn't think that Mr. Jamail needed to be on there either, if they are helping with their campaign here, they don't need to be talking about our city because he thinks it is a favor for helping them get their seat and they need to think about that. He stated this

letter, the chain of command, the way it happened was, the lady that was talking about it, Ms. Cantu, it was on the file and there was another Ms. Cantu sitting in there and she heard this Ms. Cantu and so she took it upon herself and her name was Peggy Sue Ochoa Cantu, which just happened to be No. 1's sister and No. 4's aunt and so they took it to the school board and wanted them to do something about Ms. Carmela Garcia because she had violated these kids rights and with that said, the other one that went with her was Allen Jamail and Jamail was the one that he wanted to appoint to this seat and they could see this sounded like a family ordeal to where they talk really bad about people and he had heard No. 1 and No 4 and Papa Ochoa saying they were good Christian people and he believed Pop was, the others he was not sure they were because if you put this letter out on someone and it has no truth to it and he had documented it, there was not one bit of truth and he also wanted to know if he had a little bit more time, stating that he went as far as to get in touch with this lady and he told him that if he wanted to get his Mayor to call her and put her on loud speaker, she would tell them this was not the right Garcia so before you start dogging people and trashing them, know which one you are talking about because this letter right here goes to the Harris County Tax Assessor and this is not our Carmela, she does live here and has lived here for about 13 years and it offends him that they would do things for political gain and most of it is for Position No. 4, all this is how families would tell stories and fibs on people for gain and he just to let them know that he hoped that they get behind this election and get as mad as these documents made him and he appreciated their time.

Councilman Claudio Ochoa ask to make a comment, stating that he just wanted to point out that he had Carmela's Harris County Voter's Registration records and at the very bottom, her address is what she states and the VUID number is what he had put on his flyer and at the very bottom of that, it states that she lives in Houston Independent School District, she doesn't live in Galena Park School District.

Mayor Diaz stated that anybody who lived on the North side of Market Street was in the Houston School District. Councilman Ochoa stated he was just saying that the facts he had on this were correct.

A member from the public stated it was also Jacinto City.

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Councilman Christopher Ochoa ask to make a comment, stating that he really didn't like running negative campaigns and advised Mr. Schion that he didn't appreciate what he said about his family, that he actually got one in the mail as well, he read through it and he didn't write it, didn't have any part in that letter being sent out to anyone and for him to say that he did or to imply that he did he didn't appreciate that, he didn't have any part in that letter that he wanted the positive things that he had done in this community to stand out and have the voters weigh in on that and he wanted this city to be positive as well, he wants us to work together and unite but he didn't have anything to do with that letter.

Mr. Schion ask if the letter was a lie and Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated he was not sure.

Councilman Claudio Ochoa advised Mr. Schion that he had just said that everything that he put in this letter was not a lie

Mayor Diaz ask that we move on.

6. Nancy Gosney, 1726 Belin, wished Mayor Diaz a happy birthday and stated that first of all, She wanted to thank Christopher Ochoa for last year telling her that she didn't understand the tonality of a meeting and from that meeting on, she had sat on the front row recording everything and she was very grateful that she did because they able to educate the people about the recall and the behavior of the councilmen and she thinks it was a very good thing. Ms. Gosney stated let's go back in time this year, we have had tires slashed, cars keyed and after these video's went up on u tube, Tammy Carter's house got broken into and Sunday after the last council meeting, Ms. Luisa Perez was outside grieving with her family, a family member had just passed away and they had another family member the night before and Rita Sanchez, his fiancé, pulled up in front of her house and was out there taking photo's and harassing them, that was very bad timing, you never know what a person is going through. Ms. Gosney called attention to a letter where Councilman Ochoa speaks out, literature that he put out on Carmela Garcia and she read from the literature stating that it said "Councilman Ochoa speaks out, don't be mislead, don't be fooled by the lies and false rumors. Ms. Gosney stated that she had walked with Ms. Garcia and Ms. Garcia had never spoke about his drinking and driving, she had never spoke about anything other than translating because she was certified by the State of Texas Bilingual, she translates to the Hispanics who can't speak English for her on behalf of the fact that you violated the city charter, Claudio Ochoa violated the city charter and Mr. Ramon did and we went to court, that is the only thing Ms. Garcia has ever spoke about. Ms. Garcia speaks with ethics, she lives by ethics and she lives with her God and to have this go out to our neighborhood again was not right. She stated she was going to tell them again Ms. Garcia didn't do that and she has not done that, she had been beside her. Ms. Gosney stated this literature here, this was a public service employee that was in a restricted area, trespassing for a photo and that was what you called abuse of power, this was unnecessary and never should have happened. Ms. Gosney stated that this letter here Mr. Ochoa just actually agreed to the fact that he was responsible and the thing that stands out on this letter is about Carmela molested and abused kids. Ms. Gosney said that Mr. Ochoa had sent in a letter Specific Purpose Committee that said Volunteer citizens of Jacinto city and GPISD Tax Payers who want elected officials with honest ethics serving them and that was the same disclaimer that was at the bottom of this letter. She stated that Ms. Garcia had not done anything of that nature, she

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stated that everything that was on this sample ballot was factual and true, there were documents and video's to back it up. She stated that Vicente, who was running against Ms. Nunez, had never bothered to vote in a Jacinto City election and had never been involved in any of our programs. Fact is, Chris has violate the charter on here, he was stopped by or police officers and that was one of the things that she wanted to talk about tonight and that was the only thing that she disagreed with that night and she felt sorry for the officers that did get three days suspension, the only thing was she thought he should thank them for what they did, she had no problem with them giving him a courtesy ride home, the only problem she had was the fact that he said he worked for the City of Jacinto City, he was a councilman and asking oh was I speeding, that was an abuse of power. Ms. Gosney stated and all this table chasing things, it was really amazing at the last council meeting and we all wake up Friday morning with these signs that say free tables and chairs and this all got started with him and Allen Jamail when they started this little investigation and not one time did they call the police and the last thing was the letter head that he used for his little benefit that he sent out to all the vendors and stuff, this was city letterhead and this was not a city event, this was abuse of power

and this was our problems, the things was he had pressed all these charges and now he was doing the same thing and one other thing she had was when he doing Mr. Hagan's house, did he or did he not borrow barricades from the city and did he borrow ice at any of these functions. Councilman Ochoa stated that he didn't borrow ice that he had ice from Chevron across the street and he had ask Mr. Maner if he would graciously allow us to barricade part of the street to prevent any accidents happening around the area so some city workers put some barricades out and he was not sure if Kyle did it or it was one of the workers but City Manager Maner did allow him to do that. Ms. Gosney ask if it was a city event and Councilman Ochoa stated no. Mr. Gosney stated so it was a personal event, abuse of power.

Councilman Christopher Ochoa stated that he applauded Ms. Gosney's efforts in trying to bring out her version of the truth but the truth of the matter was, yes she did have her camera up here and at this podium here she did admit that she had been taking videos and the only problem he had with that was videos were cut and pasted videos, that he wouldn't have a problem if she actually told the whole truth but partial truths are lies in his opinion and when she cuts clips from different council meetings and say that he is abusing the mike, that the mike is fully functional and he learned from that video not to put his head there, that was something that he didn't do any more but those clips in that video were repeated, it put him in a false light and as far as Ms. Garcia campaigning with her and her bringing out a video and saying that I'm drunk, he had witnesses and it was his time to talk so let him talk. He stated that he had witnesses that are his supporters that had told him personally that she had gone around with an I pad and shown bits and pieces of a traffic stop and you had the volume down where if you had the volume up, if she had shown the whole piece she would have conveyed to the voters that he did ask for a sobriety test several times, he stated that it was a bad situation he admitted, it never should have happened, the fact of the matter was that it did but going forward, he thinks we have all learned a lesson, not to treat anyone special at all and it was something that he thought had been done in the past and he didn't believe that the officers should have been penalized but for her to go around and say that he was drunk and he was abusing his power, he wasn't, he was trying his hardest to clear his name that night because he knew the type of dynamics we have here in this city and low and behold over a year ago this stopped happening and just now on the eve of the election it has been going on where she

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an Ms. Garcia had been walking together, knocking on doors together and regardless if she hasn't said anything, which he has witnesses that say she has and I have witnesses that say that she has gone into those people's houses and said let me show you the video, he has witnesses but regardless of the fact that you are walking with Ms. Garcia, Ms. Garcia was responsible for Ms. Gosney's actions as she was her supporter and the perception was there that he had many of the residents tell him that they couldn't believe this was what Jacinto City was coming too and it was not right on both sides, we need to unite and come together but he didn't feel that our city's tax payers money should be wasted discussing politics, politics should be left at the door, this was a place for city business and as far as the abuse of power or the tables and chairs, that incident she mentioned again that he didn't call the police when that was the first thing he did within a matter of minutes so he didn't appreciate here falsifying information about him, he stated that he knew the election was Saturday and he just prayed that we all started working together and as far as the event with the city letterhead, he in his own mind said maybe he shouldn't use the city letterhead because it could get people thinking other ways and thinking he was abusing his power so he did come up with a different city letterhead and the letterhead she had was maybe sent to a couple of businesses. He

stated that as a councilman here he wanted to do good for the city and he hoped that those out in the audience truly believed that, he was going to learn and if he got afforded the opportunity to become a councilman for a second term, he was going to learn and continue to do a good job.

Councilman Ramon stated that he wanted to clarify the statement that he and Councilmen Claudio and Christopher Ochoa violated the Charter, he stated they never did, every single council member on this table was ask by Mr. Ochoa if they had witnessed any violations of the charter by him and they replied no, either they were lying or she was lying, it was public record, it was on the minutes and that was all he had to say about that, he could provide the minutes for her.

7. Jim Moore, Maintenance Supervisor, stated that he lived in Crosby, Texas, one of the four, 4400 Cherry Lane, stated that he wanted to thank Chris, that this was his last night and his birthday and he wanted to tell him that he had done a fine job, we appreciate it and we enjoy everything he had done for us, that he was even better as Public Works Water and Sewer, he was a great guy, he stayed there with them, he helped them and he supported them and with that, he would like to apologize if he offends anyone of them tonight because he was really hurt, his co-workers were really hurt. They feel like they have been targeted out here for some reason, they had been slammed, hammered, pictures taken of them at the back of the public works, taking pictures at home, coming to their home and taking pictures and he showed pictures of his home, he stated they were here to help them and they were getting slammed. He stated their concerns were the councils concerns and stated let him tell them something, he ask Ramon if he knew where he was today, that he had a recall on him was that not right and Mr. Ramon replied that he was fully aware of that fact. Mr. Moore stated he was just going to go a little further with it because he was very upset but he wanted to do it professionally. He stated that these citizens our here, at any time, had the power to do to anyone of them what they did him if they got out of line and were not doing their job properly by the charter. He stated let him give them another little story about public works and some of the other workers out here, he was from Crosby and he was told and everyone else out here was told that we stay out of politics and we have for years and years but this had gotten ridiculous but let him tell them something, he doesn't have a vote here but let him tell

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them what he did have here, he had some power, he was with the citizens everyday working in the street with them everyday, knowing what needs to be done, he stated that he had 18 people back here working and you take 10 at a time out there and you start doing that and their friends out there, guess who has the power in the city, that we had sat back for so long and been run through the mud and everything else and saying what a fine job they did and then turn around and slap them, it was not right, he stated that he had been here since 2001 that he came in here with Kyle Reed that said we had to turn this public works around a little bit. He stated that Jack Maner hired him and he had a Mayor back over here that said we need you in here, that he worked at the paper mill for 30 years, President for 15 years, he knew how to work with people, he knew how to bring people together, not one person was as strong as all of us so guess what, we are pretty weak, we look like shams to every other city in the State of Texas right now. He commented on the table and chairs, stating that he thought that was taken care of a year ago. He stated that he was the one that gave out table and chairs, he was the one that had given them out for ten years and it was a practice that the city helped other individuals in the city and to let him tell them what they did to the citizens, he stated let him tell them what they did that over here on Holland Avenue at the nursing home, they had borrowed tables and chairs from us all the time and guess what, we stopped that practice, we got a letter and to let him give them another one that even hurt worse,

Whittier Elementary, that we loan them table and chairs every year, we had to stop and they did not help us with our food drive because of this. He stated that he had been around a while, knew a lot of things and they talked about a charter, they could change anything they wanted to it they agreed to it just by talking about it if they thought it was right. He stated that a charter could shut you down, you could not run black and white all the time. He stated a year ago we made some changes, it was ok National Night Out to use tables and chairs but did they change it in the charter, they did it the way he was telling them and he discussed other events where table and chair were used. He advised Chris that he wasn't pick on him and he apologized but let him tell them one thing they did, that he said something a couple of week ago that nobody got punished for anything that was done with the tables and chairs during that time and that was wrong, the Captain was slammed, was that what we do to our people, how the council take care of the workers out here who help you and take care of you. He stated that the one that should have been slammed was him for giving the tables and chairs out and it had here that a JC employees delivers all the way to Missouri City, for free, tables and chairs, he delivered the tables and chairs to the police department on his time, that Mr. Reynoso brought this up and he hoped that not one of them supported this guy, this guy didn't know anything because if he put that he had problems.

Mr. Moore stated that he said when he got out of the union stuff he wasn't ever going to get involved in politics but his guys all worked for them and they wanted to do them a 110% job, they would do whatever it took for each and every one of them. He stated that he had people out there working in the street and you had people on the campaign driving up and harassing them and talking and saying there are things we are going to do with these Crosby guys, we are going to get them out of here and we are putting someone else in here and that is not right. He referred to an incident on Hart street where the guys were working, bursting their butts and when they get the job done, three guys are standing by the truck and this gentleman got out of his truck and took a picture of them standing there, the work is done and now he takes a picture and his guys don't deserve this. He stated there was no city in the State of Texas that was better than these guy and he would tell them why, they were all crossed trained, we don't go around saying it's not my job.

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He commented on how long it took to get something repaired in other cities, when they did most repairs here in approximately two hours. He stated that he wanted to talk about public works, the police department, the fire department, heritage hall and city hall, that productivity was down because of all that was going on. He stated that he was going to get back on his trucks, they could do what they wanted to do but the trucks that were going out of the city compared to what they come out here and do is saving the city a lot of money, they get out here in plenty of time to get them taken care of. He stated he had been here ten years and you could look at the City of Houston, they were laying off and the reason they didn't have the money was mismanagement but this city had been a strong strong city and very well taken care of in the money part, you didn't have to worry about it and he did want to thank his guys because they all came down here for support.

Mayor Diaz thanked Mr. Moore very much for expressing everything the public works does for this city, we did appreciate their services, the years he had been here and he would like to thank all the public works employees that did come here tonight and our public works director.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Former Mayor Mike Jackson stated what he would like to recognize was that two and half years ago he recommended Mayor Diaz to take that seat and with all the problems that has run through this city and all the total chaos he sees in this council chamber tonight and the last time he was here and what he had heard, the Mayor had done an outstanding job in his two and a half years. He stated that he might not be a citizen anymore, but he still owned property in this city and he might be one of the four Crosby boys they were talking about now but Chris and Ana had done a great job because he knew for a fact that he couldn't do it alone, that she had to be right there with him to do that. He stated that he appreciated it very much that he didn't let him down at all, it had been tuff, but he had done an excellent job and he had one more thing, he addressed the council member and ladies and gentlemen in the audience, stating that one thing he thought they needed to learn was that the greatest asset that Jacinto City had was not financial, not the elected council members, the greatest asset was the employees, that it ran from the City Manager, the City Secretary all the way to the life guards that work during the summer, that these people give you everything they have got 8 to 10 hours a day and some of the employees give you 10 hours on 8 hour pay and he knew that for a fact, Ms. Raines, but that old saying, if it not broke, don't fix it, well they broke it, listening to the city employees and talking to them, it is broke and he suggested that they understand these employees, they were there to give them the tools so they could do their jobs and they do an excellent job, they had for the 16 years that he as an elected official here and he had never heard a city employee come up and address a council like this, it was a disgrace that they had to do this, they had some employees that work their butts off for this city and they should be thanking them every council meeting, it can be fixed, do it because if not, the only ones that suffer is the citizens. He stated that Jacinto City was one of the finest places in the State of Texas to live and raise a family and the only reason that he wasn't here now was because he moved closer to grand kids, he lived in this city for 54 years and he was very proud of Jacinto city and always would be, they had some outstanding employees here, you had some good elected officials, give them a chance and he wished the one up for election good luck, that he knew what they had been

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through and he wouldn't ever want to go through it again but listen to your citizens and listen to your employees, they were the ones that had gotten this city where it is today.

Donna Dailey, 1701 Chazen, she stated thank God Saturday was just around the corner. She referred to earlier agenda item about signs, stating that if we already had signs that said No Parking and it covered three or four different things, she doesn't understand why we put out a sign that just says No Parking On Sidewalk which just covers one thing, if they aren't paying attention to it, give them a ticket, why pay extra for signs if we already had them, that was just her common sense thing. She stated that she was glad this was Thursday because she would sure hate to see the paper work that would come out on poor Jim, she discussed the services that had been taken away from the citizens by not letting city workers help the citizens. She stated that what we have up here, in her opinion, was a bunch of people who wanted to take credit for everything and they don't really care who they hurt or how they get it that some of them would make good Presidents of the United States because they sure wanted to take everybody credit.

Wanda Dowlearn stated that she agreed with Chris Ochoa that the speed bumps were too big, she discussed how the city use to be and that we needed to get back to working together and it is sad when city employees have to get up and speak that we had disrespected these people in the city long enough and as council members or people wanting to be elected into council, why were they

tearing our city apart, there is no unity here anymore. She stated there was an old regime before any of them sat on council and that was who loaned her tables and chairs when her son had his second birthday here and he was 26 now, back then a handshake was a handshake, you ask any city worker to help get your cat out of a tree and they didn't say that not my job, let me go call the dog catcher, they stopped and helped you, we have taken that away from each other, this has to stop, they are tearing this city apart and there is not going to be a few of you there and there will be more put on there but they would still be residents in this city, didn't they want to be proud of this city, she did, they needed to stop taking away and start giving back and as far as the parking signs, she agreed, if people had to be specific on the side walk, they needed a ticket for being stupid, use what we have, don't add to it. She referred to Tropical Storm Allison and all we had to do, hurricane season was coming up, wait and don't be spending money on stupid little things, let's save it. She said we had divided this city, either you were for this person or you were against it, it had never been that way why was it now, she knew there was mudslinging in politics, because believe it or not, she ran for council back in the 90's, that all the picture taking etc. needed to stop and make our city what it used to be, something that you are proud to be from and leave our city workers alone, she had know most of them since they started with the city and they do a great job because without them, we don't need you'll, there is no city without them, she knew that one of them did jump on one particular councilman when he said he wouldn't be here and she hated to say it but she agreed.

Debra Morlock, 11509 Celtis, announced that the Relay for Live for the American Cancer Society was being held on May 20, 2011 at the North Shore High School track and Kim Bellotte and she had registered with our elementary school, Normandy Crossing, and we are trying to raise money for the cancer research, they were doing so because their grandmother and several aunts had passed away with cancer and their father and sister were cancer survivors as well as many other

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family members and friends, if they would like to donate money or buy a luminary in honor of someone to please see her after the meeting.

Roland Garza stated that what he was going to talk about was Jim Moore, Kyle Reed, Bernard, Kim that you couldn't find any better people even if you looked for some and the city employees, that Mario would tell you, that he and Mario stood side by side when we had to save the little league many years ago and one of the reason he came and put an application in and one of the reason that helped me get this job was the work that he did for free at the little league all those years since 1974 there had always been a city employee coach and for that he was very proud.

Tammy Carter, 10222 Chadwick, stated that for the past year some of them had really sat and watched and listened and some of them had made it really easy because all they had to do was hear what they said one meeting and come back and show them where they were wrong the next meeting and since she wouldn't have the opportunity to do that, one of the things she would like to share, that we had heard a couple of things this evening was that she was responsible for her actions because she was her supporter, so Mr. Ochoa's father had admitted that he was the one that did that flyer so he was responsible for his actions as his supporter. That his aunt went and filed a complaint against another candidate that happened to be running against him so he was responsible for her actions. She stated that Mr. Jamail, a long time family friend, according to his aunt, went and was actually thrown out of the Galena Park School District administration building because of his behavior trying to again to bring up information about another candidate that just happened to be

running against him so again, he was responsible for their behavior, that she just wanted to clarify. We all start working together, well we had been trying to get them to do that for a year, time after time, people said go down and drop those charges, stop with the tables and chair, she recalled an incident in another city where a fire chief's son had used a fire truck in his wedding which cost a lot more than a few tables and chairs and what that city did was the city employees and the city council got together and found out what the common policy was, looked at the charter and found out what the rules were and they came to an agreement, they didn't go press charges against people or employees and departments or follow them around taking pictures. She ask when were we all going to start working together, they had been asking them to do it since last May. She Said they say they want what is good for the city, so all this about the tables and chairs, the attacking employees, etc is good for the city. She stated that Mr. Ramon had a television station out here, that it might not have been very smart but at least he did it in public, he didn't sneak around behind people's back so when we say we want to do good things for the city, you need to mean what you say and they had show for a year now that they didn't mean that so she just hoped that they realized that Saturday when those election results were done.

Councilman Ramon stated he had a question, what did he do in public, (Ms. Carter answered his question from the audience).

Ernest Harper, 1413 Jennifer said he had lived there for 40 years and that he had never gotten involved in politics but he always voted, this time he had been listening and he was not happy with what he is seeing or hearing and like the young lady over here said, it didn't use to be this way in this town, something had happened and it needed to be set right, a house divided is not going to

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stand and if we don't work together as a community, we are not going to stand, if we don't come back together as a Nation, we aren't going to stand, but it had to start right here and go up to the State and National level to bring the people back together and he was not happy with what he was seeing here, this was not the way to run a city, that he raised his kids here but under these circumstances, he wouldn't raise his kids in this town, if he had to do it over again, he would move them out because he wouldn't want them to be under this kind of influence and he is sure a lot of them here feel the same way, he stated that he went to the Methodist Church over here for many years, he was the music coordinator over there and people worked together, they would get out and help each other but he doesn't know the people that live down the street from him hardly, nobody wants to talk to anybody and that has to change, he stated that his work had kept him gone a lot but he was retired now and he was going to keep his eye on what is going on and if he had to get out and get involved, he was going to and if he sees something that is not right he is going to speak out about it, that the power was in the ballot and if they were not doing their jobs then it was up to everybody here to see that they were not in office anymore.

Larry Schion stated that the last two week he was here that the same gentleman that just talked had stated that he was a trouble maker and he probably was but he only made trouble when it needs to be made and needs to be heard and he was going to forgive him for that because he just heard him make a promise that he was going to watch them just like he watches them and he was going to do his job and even though he told him he had a loud mouth (the gentleman stated that it was not him) Ms. Schion stated he thought it was, maybe not, but when people watch them they could do recalls

and different things, Mr. Schion stated it was the way they did things, having people given tickets for parking the wrong way on the street, that the city had grown in the last 30 years, there was less room to park and they need to look at this.

Nancy Gosney, 1726 Belin, stated that we were getting our monies worth out of these councilmen, the made \$525.00 a month for two meetings and we get three hours every meeting that was good. She told Jim that she had been standing up for the city employees for a year now and had been standing here the whole time and that literature that Jim showed, of his house and stuff, that the man that put that out she had a name for and it was Reynoso don't know so because he really doesn't know so but the main thing here was how many more people are going to come up here and talk about this, it was just one thing after another. (There was discussion between Ms. Gosney and Mr. Moore from the audience). Ms. Gosney ask if they put some literature out today about slip lines and was advised that they had not. Mr. Gosney encouraged people to get out and vote.

Councilman Christopher Ochoa spoke to Ms. Gosney stating that he just wanted to correct a statement that she made the first time that she came up, that she said that his fiancée Rita was taking pictures, she was never taking pictures.

Luisa Perez, 1506 Cheston, stated that she was debating on coming today because her blood pressure was really high, her blood sugar was over 500 and she was very pissed. She stated that for the past two week that they have had a number of people in their family pass away over a short

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Period of time, and most recently a brother-in-law passed away and they were outside of her house talking about funeral arrangements and her nephew said look, someone is taking pictures and she turns around and it is Rita driving a gray truck so she got into her van and followed her to Galena Park and took a picture of the truck, she didn't want to do all this drama because she knows what she did, she has a witness who saw her driving the truck and ten other witnesses that saw her and another male taking pictures, she didn't appreciate them invading her privacy, her kids were outside, they were having a hard time getting over all this stuff, so please stay away from her house, she didn't want anybody near her house.

Councilman Christopher Ochoa advised Ms. Perez that Rita didn't own a gray truck and he would like to see the witness identify Rita because that wasn't her. (there were comments from the audience) Mayor Diaz gaveled down the comments

Mr. H. G. Wooten stated that he was pretty sick and tired of this charter change thing Mr. No. 1, that he was no longer No. 1 as far as he was concerned, that he picked out five and two or three of them he didn't want to know what he thought about them but the thing of it was that you had five people up here to pick people for a charter and the people were going to have to vote on whatever they changed anyway so the people were going to have the say. He stated that he knew what he was doing, what he wanted to do but he would tell him what, he had worked with gestapos before, they were probably too young to hear about it but he knew about it, he was there and they were pulling the same stuff they did here in this little city council, they didn't really mean nothing, it took five of them to really do anything, one of them couldn't nothing. The five of them were representing these folks out here and he didn't want him to appoint him for sure, he stated they had a couple of people up there that he just loved the heck out of and some he didn't like worth

a heck and he can't say what he wanted to say because he would get in trouble. Mr. Wooten advised that he doctor had told him today that he was cancer free and he would have the opportunity to help keep them straight and he hoped this election changed a lot of things that we would have a better city if we ran it properly up here and not play these games. He addressed Council Position No. 1 stating that they were supposed to be Christians and if they were, he was an atheist, this was not what a Christian does, not in his opinion, he stated that he had some fine folks and he loved them to death, he might not agree with some things they do but he loved them anyway and respected them and he wished to heck they would get their stuff straightened out that after this election, they had two years or a year to get things straightened out, they could get recalled, he had found that out and the people that vote can control any election. He stated that he appreciated the good stuff that was done and he wanted to thank our Mayor, he was a great person and a great Mayor as former Mayor Jackson had said.

Rita Sanchez stated that she didn't know what the ladies name was but she was really sorry about what had happened in her family and she didn't even know what to say, she was actually feeling really weird right now but she didn't do that and for her to be singled out because she was Chris's Fiancé, she stated that she didn't even own a camera and didn't drive a truck. Ms. Sanchez ask when this was and was answered by someone in the audience. She stated that she was at church, that she could sit here and give her whole agenda, it wasn't her (there were comments from the audience) Ms. Sanchez stated that she would like to see those pictures because she didn't want her

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name to be out there like that, that was horrible, that she didn't want to be involved, that she had been staying away, she was just sick of all this and for her name to be thrown out there just by assumption, she didn't know what to say, she was sorry that she feels that way, she didn't even know where she lived this was just wrong and she really hoped that she would consider that and again, she was sorry for what had happened in her family and she just hoped that everyone believed her.

Herman McCoy, 10225 Fairfax, stated that his grandfather was one of the pioneers of Jacinto City and it was a great city back then and still is and let's keep it that way.

Daurice Matheny, 1614 Cheston, stated that she had lived here all her life and ask the Public Works guys to tell Jim that she had never seen that side of him, she enjoyed that and he made some real good points as far as the picture taken goes she got her feeling hurt because nobody took a picture of her house. She stated that she knew she was making fun up here but everything was get a little too hot and heavy. She stated that she went for a walk one night and met up with Chris Ochoa and was told that I really gave him a hard time that night and if that was the case, she apologized but she did kind of let go about things that are going on in the city and she made it clear about how she felt about some things. She stated that she had only stood at this podium three times in her whole life and the last time she told them how embarrassed she was, how she had always been so proud of her city, how she had raised her family here and she had raised them to stay here, to grow up and raise their children here because she was that proud of our city and she wasn't very proud that night and she isn't tonight. She stated that our city has changed and she really hadn't seen anything for the better, she had seen a lot for the worse, she had seen our city workers from all departments in fear and advised Chris that she had told him that. She told him that our city workers don't know which end is up, they don't know when they are doing right or

doing wrong, these guys do their job and then like they said, someone takes a picture after they are completely done and taking a short break, think how you would feel, put yourself in someone else's shoes, these guys are doing a good job and somebody needs to give them a break, or city needs to start looking at the good work that people are doing. She referred to the whole table and chair thing, etc., she was not going to stand here now and say they wanted to look good by changing it, well look good, change it, show us that you can do it, show us that you can change a lot of things that have gone on in the last year, don't sit here behind pride and say no I can't let them win, I can't let them see that I was wrong that she was not placing blame and didn't think anyone should, see what is wrong and change it. She stated the guys up there, new candidates who are running, whoever is in this position after the election, it was time to change things back, back the way these citizens are standing here tonight telling you they want it to be, they want it to go back to the way it once was. Ms. Matheny talked about the way the city was when she was growing up and everyone helped each other. She stated that not long ago she was stopped by a police officer for waving at him because he thought there was something wrong and that was sad that he thought the only reason she would wave at him was if something was wrong. She stated that we don't know the officers anymore, we don't know the city workers like we use to, you use to be able to call if you had a problem and someone would come help you out, we had a small town environment here, a small town that took care of each other and that worked for us, that is what our citizens want, that is why they moved here so that they had the support of their city and in

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turn, this city had their support, so after Saturday, she thinks all of them are hoping for some big changes, all of us are hoping to see our city go back to the way it once was because this isn't working and we have people moving out because they don't like the way the see things working now, we are losing good citizens.

Vickie Sorenson stated that this was Chris Diaz last day and she just wanted to say thank you for everything he had done.

Mayor Diaz stated that it wasn't him that did that, it was the citizens, the council of this city and the administration, he didn't have anything to do with it. (there were comments from the audience)

Donna Dailey thanked the Mayor for buying tables and chairs for them to borrow so they didn't have to worry about getting in trouble.

Mr. Munoz as Mayor Diaz if he was going to leave us the big movie screen.

Scott Dowlearn, 10337 S. Oswego, stated that election day was Saturday and he couldn't wait for Sunday to get here, he stated there was chatter around the city about the election and he just wanted to clarify what his and Mr. Nichols job was, they were there individually to protect the integrity of the election in their precincts and he read the description of the presiding judges duties from the election code and he hoped that if anyone had any problems, they would come to them.

Mr. Hagan, 10434 Burman, stated that he promised his son and daughter-in-law that he wasn't going to say anything tonight. He stated that over these past weeks, a lot of issue had been brought up about the charter, he stated that charter was written for a reason, that charter gives Jacinto City a lot more flexibility than a lot of the cities in the whole state and he wasn't saying that because maybe his parents had something to do with it and it needed to be followed and if anyone has a

question with the charter then it should be brought before the city council and that was what he had spoke about weeks ago about bringing issues before and letting somebody clarify it, and with that said, he would still like to challenge Mr. Ramon about what he had talked about two weeks ago. He stated that charter says, concerning the recall election, the city council shall call a recall election and anybody that voted against it, violated the city charter and as far as he was concerned, that had not been good for the city and like he said and Mr. Moore said earlier, you either had to go by the charter or you change it and that was the way it was.

Larry Schion related an incident that was one of the reasons that he had liked while living in the city.

Councilman Claudio Ochoa stated that it was 8:30 and he thought we were getting out early. He stated there was an issue at the park with some caution tape, he believed last night and it was gone and he didn't know what happened but he thought it had something to do with the election and he just wanted to get clarification for everybody, it was told to him that nobody could set up before 5:00 p.m. on Friday and ask if that was still the case or what were we going to do now Jack.

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City Manager Maner stated there was not a written policy on that and when there was not a written policy, the thing that had to control was reasonableness. He stated they could put up their signs and election stuff on the city right of way before the election, but it had always been different on city property itself and at a polling place and they had to respect that mark, he didn't know who told him that, he had never heard a time or date, he just think reasonable and he ask Joyce, who stated they were going to go down and do the measurements probably Friday around 3:00 p.m. if that was ok with everybody.

Councilman Claudio Ochoa stated that he just didn't want to see anybody getting upset and make sure this goes as smooth as it can and that was the reason he was asking.

City Manager Maner ask if he thought there could be a possibility of a gentleman's agreement and Councilman Ochoa stated that would be nice.

There was general discussion on the subject.

Councilman Ochoa stated that he had been in several elections and it had always been his understanding that you didn't set up until Friday after 5:00 p.m. and most people did that.

City Manager Maner stated that he would say that was a good idea. City Manager Maner stated that he couldn't give them a time but he would say this, he would make an executive decision here and declare it as policy for this election season that the city secretary had just said they could set up the distance markers any time they wanted them to and he ask if they could do it about noon on Friday and was advised they could.

There was general discussion and Mr. Wayne Nichols stated that in the past they were ask not to set anything up until after 6:00 p.m..

City Manager Maner stated he was going to amend his executive decision to 5:00 p. m. because that was closing time for businesses and they would not be interfering with anything at Heritage Hall and

all he could tell them, everyone that was in this room that was active in any campaign to please ask your candidate to please honor that.

Council Member Nunez ask if we were talking about our signs or setting up tents. City Manager Maner advised her it was the tent and the other thing he would like to mention was, after the incident that Mr. Ochoa was talking about, he thought that after this election it would be a good idea for us to come up with a written official policy for that and before he got off the mike, this was not Mayor Diaz's last meeting, he would preside at the next meeting when they canvass the votes and the new mayor is sworn in.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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