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Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on
Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the
Council Chamber at 10301 Market Street.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

MARIO GONZALES
CARMELA GARCIA
ALLEN LEE
JIMMY "JJ" RIVAS
GREGG ROBINSON

CITY MANAGER

LON D. SQUYRES

CITY SECRETARY

CHRISTAL RODRIGUEZ

CITY ATTORNEY

JIM DEFOYD

1. Call to Order: at 6:00 p.m.

a. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

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

b. Roll Call:

The following members were present:

Mayor Diaz; Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Lee, Garcia and Gonzales;
City Manager Squyres & City Secretary Rodriguez.
City Attorney Defoyd was absent.

2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- *Councilmember Rivas addressed a concern regarding mosquitos and mosquito spraying with Thomas. Mayor Diaz, all Councilmembers, City Manager Squyres and Thomas held a brief discussion about the process and protocols for controlling mosquito population along with a few ideas on how to incorporate public awareness.*
- *Mayor Diaz wished everyone a Happy Father's Day.*

3. Public Comments:

- *Anthony Amolochitis: addressed the Mayor and Council to offer his services to develop a software system such as 311 system for the city. City Manager Squyres asked Anthony to call him so they could set up a meeting to discuss his offer further.*
- *Edgar Vargas: addressed the Mayor and Council to inform of upcoming important events for the VFW.*
 - Texas Women's Veterans Day (Today)
 - PTSD Awareness Month (This Month)
 - June 28th-VFW Nicaragua Event with Vendors, Music Food
 - July 7th- VFW Collaboration with Combined Arms to become a Food Distribution for Veterans.
 - September 11th- Rememberance Day, Habitat for Humanity will be hosting an event on our post, will be building 4 or 5 playhouses which will be a donated to veteran families.
 - November 2nd-12th Fleet Week-will showcase their capabilities and connect with the community.
- *William Shephard & Alton with Reagon masonic Lodge: addressed the Mayor and Council to inform of efforts to unite HISD and GPISD in remembrance and honoring veterans via upcoming Kickball Tournament on August 2nd to fund Scholarships that will be immediately accessible the day of the event thru their website. Sponsorship/Donor opportunities available.*

4. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting(s):

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson & Seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the minutes of the previous meetings as presented. Vote: **For: 5, Against: 0**

5. Reports/Announcements of City Departments:

City: City Manager Lon Squyres

- *The city was awarded all 3 DRRP GLO two-million-dollar grants. One is a forced main on lane street, one is emergency communications equipment, and one is to fund the last piece of the sewer plant project that had the bid that came in about two million dollars over. So that's six-million dollars awarded to the city from GLO, we were the first award statewide for it and that's*

money that was turned around because other municipalities didn't spend it in a timely and prudent fashion and so they forfeited and they came to cities that have good clean single audits, that have good grant management reports so kudos to the staff.

-Mayor Diaz gave kudos to Lon for his efforts in accomplishing this.

City Hall: Assistant City Manager & Finance Director Kathy Greiner

- *No report at this time.*

Heritage Hall: Director Elizabeth Flores

- *No report at this time.*

Parks & Recreation: Director Ivan Rojas

- *The department has been busy trying to keep the grounds nice for everyone despite the constant rain.*
- *Jody came back as swim lesson instructor. Classes filled up as soon as he came back.*
- *We have about 28 kids in attendance for the Kids' Program at the gym.*
- *Conversation ensued between the Mayor and Ivan regarding the heavily utilized parks & gym.*

Public Works: Thomas Rogers

- *We've been cleaning drains and making sure everything flows down properly for the rainfall.*
- *We have been working on the mosquito issue; thinking about getting a 2nd machine to cut down on the mosquito spraying time.*
- *We have a Preconstruction Meeting next Tuesday for the next phase of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.*

Fire: Interim Chief Mo Davis

- *Not in attendance.*

Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela

- *No updates at this time.*

Police: Chief Joe Ayala

- *We've gotten complaints regarding suspicious activity, people walking the streets, pulling on vehicle doors, please call us to report, you may remain anonymous. We can check and maybe prevent something from happening; there are times these people that come into our city may need help and if we can, we'll do that.*
- *Chief apologized for his absence last council meeting; he was at a Police's Chiefs training session.*
- *We did maintenance around the American Legion Hall and will be placing American Flags there in honor of our Veterans.*
- *Termite Watkins across the freeway got himself locked out of his vehicle and he couldn't get assistance, so he called our Police Department here. Our officer went down there & unlocked his vehicle. He called to thank Chief and the Police Officers for the assistance he was given, he really appreciated and raved about Sargent Ramos and had a picture taken. He said he was contacting the local media about it and will have that picture placed there.*

6. Unfinished Business:

- None

7. New Business:

- None

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Rodriguez
Christal Rodriguez
City Secretary

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