

MAYOR ANA DIAZ

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#### Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, June 10, 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, Garcia (arrived at 6:02 pm) and Gonzales; City Attorney Defoyd, City Manager Squyres & City Secretary Rodriguez.

Councilmember Lee was absent.

### 2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- Mayor Diaz & All Councilmembers expressed their prayers and condolences for all those being affected by the flooding in Kerrville.
- Mayor Diaz and Councilmembers also expressed appreciation for the successful 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event & Fireworks Display.

## 3. Public Comments:

• Eric Sanchez: addressed the Mayor and Council regarding personal police issues. Mayor Diaz requested to be provided with necessary documentation.

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

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

## 5. Reports/Announcements of City Departments:

#### City: City Manager Lon Squyres

- Reiterated that 4<sup>th</sup> of July was very successful and eventful. City Manager Squyres expressed gratitude for the hard work done by Ramiro and the crew from Public Works.
- The City has a lot of other projects going on; We are still waiting on the 3 DRRP Contracts from GLO, it takes a long time to process that paperwork. As soon as that starts, you'll see three major projects starting: one is to fix communications through the city, one is a new sewer line that runs adjacent to Lane Street and the other one is a section of the wastewater treatment plant, a major repair project there. And that would be the fourth major grant funded project and each of those three new ones are two million, so we are very fortunate to be seeing those grants.
- When Mayor and Council would like, we are ready for our initial kick-off budget workshop, we suggest
  next Thursday since there will not be a Harris County Mayors and Councils Meeting, we wont be ready
  to submit a draft budget per say but we would like an opportunity to conceptionally speak with Mayor &
  Council and obtain their assessments before we make the final pitch.

## 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

Not in attendance.

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**Public Works: Thomas Rogers** 

Not in attendance.

Fire: Captain Bodak

No report at this time.

Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela

Not in attendance.

Police: Chief Joe Ayala No report at this time.

#### 6. Unfinished Business:

None

#### 7. New Business:

a. Mayor & Council to consider amending Capital Outlay Budget Code 16-6919 by an increase of \$6,900.00 to Replace the Old K-9 Unit.

Synopsis provided by City Manager Squyres: We had budgeted a regular use patrol vehicle, however our Canine Vehicle expired and so we need to convert the vehicle into a Canine Vehicle instead of a regular patrol vehicle. Our Canine is a tremendous investment and a tremendous emotional investment for the officer that cares for him as well. It is worth investing these extra funds. The reason for the budget amendment is the difference for equipping a vehicle as a Patrol Vehicle vs a K-9 Patrol Vehicle. It's a Ford Explorer that we've already purchased, we just need to equip it with all the specialties for the dog.

Motion to authorize to amend Capital Outlay Budget Code 16-6919, made by: Councilmember Rivas. Second made by: Councilmember Garcia.

**Favor: 4/0** 

b. Mayor & Council to consider and authorize the Auctioning of K-9 Patrol Vehicle & the Cage Insert. Synopsis provided by City Manager Squyres: The old cage that would not fit in the new car and the old car itself is no longer usable, we would like council permission to auction those two items either together as a pair or separately. A small conversation ensued as to exasperating all use options for the old patrol vehicle and it was determined that the vehicle is old enough and has had real mechanical issues through the years.

Motion to authorize the Auctioning of K-9 Patrol Vehicle & the Cage Insert, made by: Councilmember Robinson. Second made by: Councilmember Gonzales.

**Favor:** 4/0

c. Mayor & Council to confirm Christopher D. Perez as a Full Time Jacinto City Police Officer. Oath Administered by Mayor Diaz.

Motion to confirm Christopher D. Perez as a Full Time Jacinto City Police Officer, made by: Councilmember Robinson. Second made by: Councilmember Garcia.

**Favor: 4/0** 

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Rodriguez Christal Rodriguez City Secretary

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