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Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on
Thursday, July 24, 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 Attorney Defoyd, City Manager Squyres & City Secretary Rodriguez.

2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- Mayor Diaz & All Councilmembers expressed their prayers and condolences to the families of the seniors that recently passed away.
- Mayor Diaz, Councilmembers and City Manager Squyres discussed concerns and possible solutions over vehicles parking on sidewalks and yards.
- Mayor, Councilmembers and City Manager Squyres also conversed about a possible upcoming project for a sidewalk from Big Bass to Mercury Drive and possibly Oates Road.
- Mayor and Council also brought to attention a small concrete pad by the ball field needing repair.
- Mayor and Council asked everyone to take care of themselves and stay hydrated in the heat.
- Mayor Council and City Manager Squyres discussed concerns and possible solutions regarding residents letting their dogs loose to use the restroom and not picking up after their dog.
- Mayor and Council also brought to attention a couple of items that needed attention at the parks.

3. Public Comments:

- Donna Daley: addressed the Mayor and Council regarding two seniors who recently passed away, expressing her condolences and kind sentiments. Donna also addressed the Mayor and Council regarding her concerns regarding a property with overgrown landscape.
- Dale Pollock: addressed the Mayor and Council to provide updates on the Little League. The Little Leagues Charter has been updated; they will be having Elections and are planning on having Registration.

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

A motion was made by Council Member Robinson & Seconded by Council Member Rivas 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

- Reiterated that 4th of July was very successful & eventful. City Manager Squyres expressed gratitude for the hard work done by Ramiro and the crew from Public Works.
- When Mayor & 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 & Councils Meeting, we won't 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

- Staying busy keeping everything nice & clean while keeping the guys hydrated in this heat.

Public Works: Thomas Rogers

- *Water Meter changeout update, there are a little over 2700 meters installed and so they should be wrapping it up withing the next month and a half to where they can begin introducing the app to the residents.*
- *Update on the Wastewater Sewer Plant, the contractors did mobilize this week and went out there and took some measurements so they could order some of the parts, some will be specialty parts so they will take a little longer to come in but they have been out there getting their measurements so it's good to see the ball rolling on that.*
- *We've been cutting grass, we've had a couple of emergency water leaks, it's just that time of year when the temperatures start reaching that 100% mark, the ground starts shifting.*
- *The Street Department has been cutting back limbs from stop signs & sidewalks. They're also gearing up to begin striping school zones in preparation for school start on August 12th.*
- *We also signed up two of our guys, one from Public Works and one from Parks and Rec, for an online class for Pool Training. It was Ivan's idea to sign them up for the class, it teaches how to monitor the water, the PH and the Chlorine, and it gives a better understanding of how to keep the water at a more consistent level.*

Fire: Interim Fire Chief Davis

- *If you could pass on to your constituents and your neighbors, always call us, you'll never bother us, were here 24-7 that's what were here for, to help you.*
- *We're making some good progress with the booster truck; it should be here within the next month. I spoke with them last week, and they're getting ready to start putting the back on it and once that's done, they'll have the pump and the tank and be ready to go. We have our chassis for our rebound ambulance for next budget, it's been delivered. The construction is really close for the second story of the fire station. We've made a lot of good progress.*

Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela

- *Mayor Diaz asked Nyla to clarify on the news regarding the county shutting down a couple of libraries. Nyla replied that she will keep the city updated as she is notified of the budget cuts and changes to the library made by the county. She should know more by August.*
- *An announcement for our Library here in JC is we did come into a couple of grants, one of them is for beautification, we were able to plant some Texas wild flower outside as a pollinator garden, those are right in front of the library we were also able to get some park benches those are also in front of the library already secured.*
- *We also got a grant for a community garden that would be for vegetables and fruits, we just got the raised buds out, we'll do some planting with our volunteers sometime soon we just had a really popular gardening class that people were really excited about, so we're hoping to get those volunteers back to help us maintain the community garden.*

Police: Chief Joe Ayala

- *Several transients & homeless have been coming to our city; We've been picking them up and they end up going back to county jail, a lot of them have warrants out of Harris County.*
- *Wells Fargo has been getting quite a bit of suspicious activity vehicles, they're just waiting to follow somebody, jugging. We've been able to get them to make some arrests.*
- *Next meeting, I will have a report on code enforcement violations & vehicles parking on sidewalks.*
- *We have a vacant property currently dealing with a squatter.*

6. Unfinished Business:

- None

7. New Business:

- Mayor & Council to consider approving the Final Draft for the 2025 Asphalt Project and approve going out for Bids for the 2025 Asphalt Project according to the Final Draft.

Synopsis provided by City Manager Squyres: They consulted with Councilman Gonzales cause he's the liaison to that department. It's probably a little overambitious, we'd rather have too much work on it than not enough. We can always trim the scope of work back, if we need to, to fit the budget but we don't want extra work that we haven't planned for.

It'll be out for bids going out three weeks, it'll come back second council meeting in August.

Motion to approve the Final Draft for the 2025 Asphalt Project and approve going out for Bids for the 2025 Asphalt Project according to the Final Draft, made by: Councilmember Gonzales.

Second made by: Councilmember Robinson.

Favor: 5/0

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Rodriguez

Christal Rodriguez

City Secretary