



MAYOR
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Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Special Session on
Thursday, October 9, 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:
Meeting opened with Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance.
- b. Roll Call:
The following members were present:
Mayor Diaz; Council Members Rivas, Robinson, Lee, Garcia (arrived at 6:03) and Gonzales;
City Manager Squyres, City Secretary Rodriguez & City Attorney Defoyd.

2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- *Councilman Rivas brought up an issue with garage sale signs from other cities posted in Jacinto City. A small discussion ensued about the timeliness of removal and stopping it from occurring.*
- *Councilman Rivas also inquired about the business "The forbidden Fruit", City manager Squyres reported that the city is in process of trying to get a hold of them, however they do have a valid business license.*
- *Mayor & Council expressed appreciation to all the city departments and the library for the success of National Night Out. There was also a suggestion to incorporate additional lighting to the Police Department for future National Night Out events.*

3. Public Comments:

- *None*

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

- Motion made by Council Member Robinson and Seconded by Council Member Gonzales to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting as presented. **Vote:** For: 5, Against: 0.

5. Reports/Announcements of City Departments:

City: City Manager, Lon Squyres

- *Expressed appreciation to all departments for their participation and hard work in preparing for National Night Out and in the teardown and clean up after the event. He spoke a little on the extent of work involved in successfully executing this event; specifically mentioning Kathy from PD, Kathy from CH, Public Works and Recreation departments.*
- *Mayor Diaz and Lon went over how city hall volunteered their time to have a station at National Night Out and helped residents set up their water account app on their phone. Mayor Diaz mentioned that Diana from city hall was very happy to help. Lon mentioned that the library will also be having an event where they will be helping residents sign up as well.*

Police: Chief, Joe Ayala

- *Thanked all departments, City officials and the community for their part in making National Night Out a success.*
- *Gave a positive update on the condition of an officer recently injured in the line of duty.*

Public Works: Director, Thomas Rogers

- *The Waste Water Treatment Plant Project is still running smoothly, they are getting ready to pour concrete on the F1 basin going out.*
- *Keeping up with the regular maintenance of cutting grass and mosquito spraying.*
- *Ray Flores has been hired as new Animal Control Officer; he is knowledgeable on all the necessary animal control codes and comes with six years of experience.*

Jacinto City Library, Nyla Vela

- *Provided positive feedback on the library's participation at National night Out.*
- *Shared information on upcoming events programmed for the library, including a joint event with Jacinto City's Fire Department and updates on their garden.*

City Finance: Kathy Greiner

- *Finalizing an audit.*
- *Finishing the Fiscal Year and Beginning a new one.*

Heritage Hall: Director Elizabeth Flores

- *Today the seniors went to the Golden Senior Prom and had a good time.*
- *They have a planned trip to go shopping at the Harwin shops soon.*

Parks & Recreation: Director, Ivan Rojas

- *Reminded everyone that this year's Fall Festival will be on October 25th at the Town Center. There was a small conversation with the mayor about the size of the event and the number of vendors registered.*

6. Unfinished Business:

- a.** Second & Final Reading of Ordinance 2025-5 TMRS Update to Employee Contribution Rate.

Read by City Attorney Jim Defoyd.

City Manager Lon Squyres gave a quick history for context.

A small discussion ensued regarding "wiggle room" for unforeseen circumstances or changes in the future; City Manager Squyres assured that this ordinance has been considered thoroughly.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2025-5 TMRS Update to Employee Contribution Rate on this second and Final Read, made by: Councilmember Rivas.

Second made by: Councilmember Robinson.

Favor: 5/0

7. New Business:

- a.** Mayor & Council to Consider approving the auctioning of the following:

(a) Parks & Recreation Department - Unit # 1508, 2007 Ford F150

(b) Streets Department – Unit # 1907, 2007 Ford, F150

(c) Sewer Department – Unit # 3305, 2005 Ford, F150

Mayor Diaz read the vehicle descriptions and City Manager Squyres explained the process for placing the vehicle on auction and noted that the vehicles are well used vehicles.

Motion to approve auctioning the above-mentioned units, made by: Councilmember Robinson.

Second made by: Councilmember Lee.

Favor: 5/0

- b.** Mayor and Council to confirm Salvador Hernandez III as Full Time Jacinto City Police Officer.

Recommended by Chief Ayala after giving a briefing on Mr. Hernandez.

Motion to confirm Salvador Hernandez III as Full Time Jacinto City Police Officer, made by: Councilmember Robinson.

Second made by: Councilmember Garcia.

Favor: 5/0

Salvador Hernandez III was Sworn in by Mayor Diaz.

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Rodriguez
Christal Rodriguez

City Secretary

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Ordinance 2025-5

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE CITY OF JACINTO CITY'S TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS PROVIDING FOR (1) AN INCREASE TO THE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION RATE; AND (2) ADOPTING: (i) ANNUALLY ACCRUING UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS AND TRANSFER UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS; AND (ii) ANNUALLY ACCRUING ANNUITY INCREASES, ALSO REFERRED TO AS COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS (COLAS) FOR RETIREES AND THEIR BENEFICIARIES.

Whereas, the City of Jacinto City, Texas (the "City"), elected to participate in the Texas Municipal Retirement System (the "System" or "TMRS") pursuant to Subtitle G of Title 8, Texas Government Code, as amended (which subtitle is referred to as the "TMRS Act"); and

Whereas, the City Council finds that it is in the public interest to: (1) increase the employee contribution rate contributed to TMRS, (2) in accordance with TMRS Act §853.404 and §854.203(h), reauthorize annually accruing Updated Service Credits and provide transfer Updated Service Credits, and (3) in accordance with TMRS Act §854.203 and §853.404, reauthorize annually accruing annuity increases, also referred to as cost of living adjustments ("COLAs") for retirees and their beneficiaries, now:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACINTO CITY, TEXAS:

Section 1. Increased Employee Contribution Rate.

(a) The rate of member contributions to be made by the City to the System shall be **7%** of the compensation of City employees who are members of the System, in accordance with TMRS Act §855.401. The City shall submit a monthly payroll report and deposit the amounts deducted from employees' compensation to the System in accordance with TMRS Act §855.402.

(b) The increased employee contribution rate under this Section shall be effective on the first day of the month of January, 2026.

Section 2. Authorization of Annually Accruing Updated Service Credits and Transfer Updated Service Credits.

(a) As authorized by TMRS Act §854.203(h) and §853.404, and on the terms and conditions set out in TMRS Act §§853.401 through 853.404, the City authorizes each member of the System who on the first day of January of the calendar year immediately preceding the January 1 on which the Updated Service Credits will take effect (i) has current service credit or prior service credit in the System by reason of service to the City, (ii) has at least 36 months of credited service with the System, and (iii) is a TMRS-contributing employee of the City, to receive "Updated Service Credit," as that term is defined and calculated in accordance with TMRS Act §853.402.

(b) The City authorizes and provides that each employee of the City who (i) is eligible for Updated Service Credits under Subsection (a) above, and (ii) who has unforfeited prior service credit and/or current service credit with another System-participating municipality or municipalities by reason of previous employment, shall be credited with Updated Service Credits pursuant to, calculated in

accordance with, and subject to adjustment as set forth in TMRS Act §853.601 (also known as "Transfer USC"), both as to the initial grant and all future grants under this Ordinance.

(c) The Updated Service Credit authorized and provided under this Ordinance shall be **100%** of the "base Updated Service Credit" of the TMRS member calculated as provided in TMRS Act §853.402.

(d) Each Updated Service Credit authorized and provided by this Ordinance shall replace any Updated Service Credit, prior service credit, special prior service credit, or antecedent service credit previously authorized for part of the same service.

(e) The initial Updated Service Credit authorized by this Section shall be effective on January 1 immediately following the year in which this Ordinance is approved, subject to receipt by the System prior to such January 1 and approval by the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the System. Pursuant to TMRS Act §853.404, the authorization and grant of Updated Service Credits in this Section shall be effective on January 1 of each subsequent year, using the same percentage of the "base Updated Service Credit" stated in Subsection (c) in computing Updated Service Credits for each future year, provided that, as to such subsequent year, the actuary for the System has made the determination set forth in TMRS Act §853.404(d), until this Ordinance ceases to be in effect as provided in TMRS Act §853.404(e).

Section 3. Authorization of Annual Increases in Retirement Annuities, or COLAs.

(a) On the terms and conditions set out in TMRS Act §854.203 and §853.404, the City authorizes and provides for payment of the increases described by this Section to the annuities paid to retired City employees and beneficiaries of deceased City retirees (such increases also called COLAs). An annuity increased under this Section replaces any annuity or increased annuity previously granted to the same person.

(b) The amount of the annuity increase under this Section is computed as the sum of the prior service and current service annuities on the effective date of retirement of the person on whose service the annuities are based, multiplied by **70%** of the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, from December of the year immediately preceding the effective date of the person's retirement to the December that is 13 months before the effective date of the increase under this Section.

(c) An increase in an annuity that was reduced because of an option selection is reducible in the same proportion and in the same manner that the original annuity was reduced.

(d) If a computation under this Section does not result in an increase in the amount of an annuity, the amount of the annuity will not be changed under this Section.

(e) The amount by which an increase under this Section exceeds all previously granted increases to an annuitant is an obligation of the City and of its account in the benefit accumulation fund of the System (the "City's BAF").

(f) The initial increase in annuities authorized by this Section shall be effective on January 1 immediately following the year in which this Ordinance is approved, subject to receipt by the System prior to such January 1 and approval by the System's Board. Pursuant to TMRS Act §853.404, an increase in retirement annuities shall be made on January 1 of each subsequent year, provided that, as to such subsequent year, the actuary for the System has made the determination set forth in TMRS Act §853.404(d), until this Ordinance ceases to be in effect as provided in TMRS Act §853.404(e).

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE FIRST READING THIS 25th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.

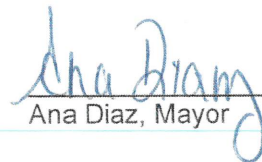
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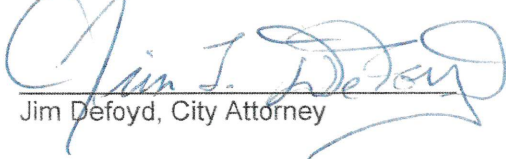

Christal Rodriguez, City Secretary

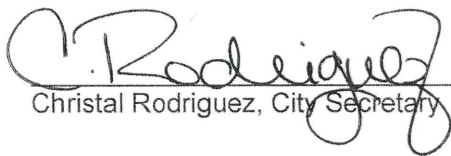

Ana Diaz, Mayor

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE SECOND AND FINAL READING THIS 9TH DAY
OF OCTOBER 2025.


Ana Diaz, Mayor

APPROVED:


Jim Defoyd, City Attorney


Christal Rodriguez, City Secretary

