

MAYOR ANA DIAZ

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Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 10301 Market Street. CITY SECRETARY
CHRISTAL RODRIGUEZ

COUNCIL MEMBERS
MARIO GONZALES

CARMELA GARCIA
ALLEN LEE
JIMMY "JJ" RIVAS

GREGG ROBINSON

CITY MANAGER
LON D. SQUYRES

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 Attorney Defoyd (arrived at 6:02pm) & City Secretary Rodriguez.

2. Mayor & Council Comments:

Mayor Diaz & All Councilmembers wished everyone a Happy Halloween and asked everyone to be
careful with the weather. Mayor Diaz & Councilman Gonzales reminded everyone about the Fall
Festival which was rescheduled from Saturday to Sunday due to the weather. It is now scheduled for
Sunday from 8am-2pm at the Town Center. Mayor Diaz proceeded to give details regarding vendors.

3. Public Comments:

Donna Dailey: addressed the Mayor and Council to provide the Thanksgiving schedule for the Food Pantry.
 She also gave praise to the Public Works, Fire & Police Departments for keeping the city safe and running.
 She also had comments regarding police procedures with immigration status.

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:

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.

Public Works: Thomas Rogers

- Keeping up with water & wastewater normal maintenance.
- Dealing with Centerpoint who's been changing out some poles. They were changing out the pole out at the water plant today. It's kind-of been somewhat of a nuisance, but the poles do look a lot stronger than the ones that we had.
- I also met with Patricia on site at Wilkie Park today, started marking off for the fall festival and went over details on parking and stuff. The festival did get switched to Sunday. We've already got pumpkins and everything at public works and we got that all planned out and ready to go. So hopefully the rain won't keep us out too much, we're ready to go.

Interim Fire Chief, Mo Davis

- The Fire Department had their ISO Evaluation this week. ISO is, is an independent organization that comes out and evaluates our strengths and weaknesses to protect the community as in fire related. They look at things like dispatch, water, and of course, staff and the model that we use in the fire department. Mo thanked Public Works, Kathy at the Police Department, Mayor & Council for their part in ensuring a successful evacuation.
- The Fire Department also had the NFPA requirement survey and did very well.

Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela

Not in attendance.

Police: Chief Joe Ayala

• No report at this time.

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6. Unfinished Business:

a. None

7. New Business:

a. Mayor and Council to consider approving Over Expenditures for 2024/2025 Budget.

Synopsis provided by City Manager Squyres: "There are some very large numbers, some of those are two storms that we had during that budget year, a Windstorm and Barrel, all those expenses are included on that. You also have all the grant money that we spent on two different projects totaling in excess of \$2 million dollars between the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the APA Project. These two together are about \$2.1 million dollars. If you take everything else and add over, that's over-expenditure, you're still under what did not get spent in the budget. So, we still came out of the end of the year with a positive budget balance at the close of the year. We actually made money. We took in more than we spent during the last fiscal year, which is nice, that's our goal. We had several departments that all you see here is overage, but there were many under-expended departments as well. And some of them, you'll see there's this very little control that you have over some of these expenses."

The synopsis was followed by a brief discussion regarding the complexities of navigating the requirements imposed by FEMA & the State for storm reimbursements. There was also a question regarding a possible typo, however, that was not the case.

Motion to approve Over Expenditures for 2024/2025 Budget, made by: Councilmember Garcia.

Second made by: Councilmember Gonzales.

Favor: 5/0

b. Mayor and Council to select & appoint Representative and Alternate to H-GAC General Assembly. Motion to leave the current representatives, Councilmembers Carmela Garcia & Mario Gonzales, appointed, made by: Councilmember Robinson.

Second made by: Councilmember Lee.

Favor: 5/0

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christal Rodriguez (City Secretary

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