



# City of Jacinto City

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## COUNCIL MEMBERS

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## CITY MANAGER

LON D. SQUYRES

## CITY SECRETARY

CHRISTAL RODRIGUEZ

## CITY ATTORNEY

JIM DEFOYD

MAYOR  
ANA DIAZ

## Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on  
Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the  
Council Chamber at 10301 Market Street.

### 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 (arrived at 6:03pm), Robinson, Lee, Garcia (arrived at 6:01pm) and Gonzales;  
City Manager Squyres, City Attorney Defoyd (arrived at 6:01pm) & City Secretary Rodriguez.

### 2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- Mayor Diaz mentioned that this Saturday they will be stuffing Christmas stockings, if the council wanted to stop by and help. Councilmembers mentioned the beautiful fall weather, asked everyone to be careful with drivers & have a safe weekend. Well wishes for Thanksgiving were also expressed.

### 3. Public Comments:

- Eddie Macias: addressed the Mayor and Council to request the city parcel out a section of a park to use as a Dog Park.
- Eric Sanchez: addressed the Mayor and Council to speak regarding a citation his brother received and went over a citation he himself received, expressed his hope for an apology and reference a similar case he's involved-in in the city of Pasadena.

### 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: 5, Against: 0**

### 5. Reports/Announcements of City Departments:

#### City Manager: Lon Squyres

- Went over upcoming changes to the garbage service set to occur in about a year; He and Mayor Diaz went over how the city has been looking for solutions & will continue to explore possible options that will work best for the city. Lon also mentioned to expect an upcoming ordinance change for garbage fees because the provider, Waste Management, was raising prices again and the city could not absorb the 5% hike.

#### Finance: Director Kathy Greiner

- No report at this time.

#### Heritage Hall: Director Elizabeth Flores

- No report at this time.

#### Parks & Recreation: Director Ivan Rojas

- Working on Christmas, getting town center ready for the parade on December 6<sup>th</sup>.  
-Mayor Diaz asked Ivan to thank the guys.

#### Public Works: Director Thomas Rogers

- Kicked off the Water Line Rehab Project on the 200 block of Burman, they're making good headway, putting in 6' water line.
- They're also working on the concrete for raising the basin at the contact basin at the wastewater treatment plant.
- Started hanging the Christmas lights.  
-Mayor Diaz mentioned that she saw, and she also noticed the Christmas tree was up at the police station and suggested placing a tree-skirt or display gift-boxes with the tree.  
Mayor Diaz expressed that it looks very nice.

**Interim Fire Chief, Mo Davis**

- No report at this time  
-Mayor Diaz asked if the Nutcrackers were out yet and Mo replied that they were not yet, they will work on getting those out.

**Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela**

- No report at this time.

**Police: Chief Joe Ayala**

- No report at this time.

**6. Unfinished Business:**

- a. None

**7. New Business:**

- a. Mayor and Council to consider amending budget code 33-6856 in the amount of \$11,340.84 for Sewer Plant Permit.

*Synopsis provided by City Manager Squyres.*

Some of these permits typically run between 2-4 years, so at the time the budget was submitted we did not anticipate that TCEQ would require us to renew this sewer permit again this year. This is something that we have to have a consultant for and LJA does that permitting process for us and that is what this represents.

**Motion to Approve Amending Budget Code 33-6856 in the Amount of \$11,340.84 for Sewer Plant Permit, made by:** Councilmember Garcia.

**Second made by:** Councilmember Gonzales.

**Favor:** 5/0

- b. Mayor and Council to consider changing November 27th meeting date due to holiday.

*City Manager Squyres requested that the date be changed to November 20<sup>th</sup>; explaining that our auditing firm, Crowe LLP, feels they may be ready to present their audit a week from tonight. Moving it up a week would also help the city meet some deadlines.*

"There's a state deadline to get an Audit Report, the Single Audit in particular, and it would be nice to be able to say not only do they have it, not just in the draft form, but it's been presented in a full finished form and accepted by council the next day. If not, we understand, and we'll just tell them the only thing we lack is having counsel accept it, but we're really pushing the margins. When this auditing firm changed to a larger company, a national company, their processes changed, it delayed the start of the audit. There've been some bumps in the road because of what they're asking for is different than what they normally ask for, and it's been painful. It has been the most difficult audit that I've seen our finance people go through since I've been affiliated with the city, and it doesn't reflect on them in a negative way. It's just that the process is different. I've talked to other city managers that use the same firm, and everybody's pulling their hair out, quite frankly. So, we should have had this audit done seven, eight months ago, and we're still trying to get this thing done. So, if we could move it to the 20th, the staff would certainly appreciate it."

**Motion to change November 27<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting date to Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, made by:**

Councilmember Lee.

**Second made by:** Councilmember Robinson.

**Favor:** 5/0

- c. Allan Jamail to address the Mayor & Council to voice concerns pertaining to health issues, city's budget and the future of the city.

**\*Canceled per requester\***

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*C. Rodriguez*

Christal Rodriguez

City Secretary

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