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Minutes

The Mayor and City Council met in Regular Session on
Thursday, February 12, 2026, 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, Robinson, Lee, and Garcia(6:03pm); City Manager Squyres,
City Attorney Defoyd and City Secretary Rodriguez. Council Member Gonzales was absent.

2. Mayor & Council Comments:

- *Mayor Diaz and all Council Members thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.*

3. Public Comments:

- *Leticia Gutierrez: addressed the Mayor and Council to announce that she is running for the newly redrawn congressional district 9 and to speak on a few key points that she feels strongly about for her campaign.*

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: 4, Against: 0**

5. Reports/Announcements of City Departments:

Police: Chief Joe Ayala

- Officers handled well, the extra traffic caused by the sinkhole on i-10.
- Mayor Diaz and Councilmembers stated that traffic was pretty bad on the day of the sinkhole and thanked Chief Ayala for the department's efforts.
- We've had two patrol officer units involved in accidents; appropriate action has been taken.
- We've been getting loud music complaints in the Jacinto Oats area; they are being handled appropriately.
- We received a letter praising Sargent Aguilera for his professionalism and respectful demeanor during a traffic stop.

Jacinto City Branch Library: Nyla Vela

- *Library attendance is good and resources are being utilized.*
- *Planning for Summer Programs has begun.*

Public Works: Director Thomas Rogers

- Keeping up with water and street routine maintenance.
- The Waster Water Treatment Plant Project is moving along pretty quickly. We are waiting for some big components for our clarifiers to come in. They are doing a really good job, much better than the previous contractors.
- A few of the city grounds have been restriped, some signs have been replaced, such as old "Stop" signs and old "No Parking" signs.
- We've been busy with contractors that have been out in the area. Center Point is still out, and they've been digging a couple different places, running gas lines. They've been all over our city here lately, we're basically making sure they're not breaking anything, they shouldn't.

Fire: Interim Chief Davis

- *No report at this time*

City Hall: Assistant City Manager & Finance Director Kathy Greiner

- *Working on the audit.*

Heritage Hall: Director Elizabeth Flores

- *Senior Valentine's Dinner will be tomorrow.*
- *Mayor Diaz reminded council to take their door prizes to the senior center.*

Parks & Recreation: Director Ivan Rojas

- *Doing a lot of maintenance to the parks such as pressure washing the equipment and removing ant piles.*
- *Today, I spoke with the company for the solar lights at the park, they should be sending me the paperwork so they can be ordered. (Mayor Diaz and Ivan ensued in a brief conversation regarding the lights around the park)*

6. Unfinished Business:

- a. None

7. New Business:

- a. Mayor and Council to consider adopting Investment Policy.

Synopsis by City Manager Squyres.

"It's a requirement, Mayor, that council's got to approve the investment policy on an annual basis. It's one of the hundreds and hundreds of things that the auditors look at every year. It's the exact same investment policies that you had last year. There's been no statutory reason to change it. It's worked well for us, and you can see by the reports, we do very well on our income from our investments."

***Motion to adopt Investment Policy, Made by Council Member:** Garcia

***Second was made by Council Member:** Lee

***Favor:** 4/0

- b. Mayor and Council to consider approving Investment Reports 10-1-2024 to 9-30-2025.

Synopsis by City Manager Squyres.

"You'll see those in your package right after the policy, it's the each of the quarters finances as to what we made. The quarterly earnings is what you're paying attention there. One quarter we made, \$90,000, another one, \$75,000. Uh, another one, 88,000, and another one, 94,000. So that's a pretty good return on our investments. The reason you see a variance is, the various CDs mature at different dates, and it's all a shuffling of money game. You put them in CDs that mature, these dates that come mature at the time we need them to do our purchasing throughout the year. And Kathy has become a master at juggling those. So the credit goes to her."

***Motion to approve Investment Reports 10/1/2024 to 9/30/2025, Made by Council Member:** Robinson

***Second was made by Council Member:** Rivas

***Favor:** 4/0

- c. Mayor and Council to consider adopting Resolution 2026-4R Ordering the General City Election for May 2, 2026.

-Resolution read by City Attorney Defoyd.

***Motion to adopt Resolution 2026-4R, Made by Council Member:** Robinson

***Second was made by Council Member:** Gonzales

***Favor:** 4/0

- d. Mayor and Council to consider adopting Resolution 2026-5R Creating Early Voting Ballot Board for May 2, 2026, City Election.

- Resolution read by City Attorney Defoyd.

***Motion to adopt Resolution 2026-5R, Made by Council Member:** Garcia

***Second was made by Council Member:** Lee

***Favor:** 4/0

Mayor Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Christal Rodriguez
City Secretary

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