

COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2012, 6:00 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Thursday, August 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Nunez, Council Members Rivas, Lee, Garcia, Gonzales; City Manager Maner, City Attorney DeFoyd and City Secretary Raines. Council Member Diaz absent.

The meeting was opened with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Council Member Rivas and seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the minutes as presented. Vote: 4 For 0 Against

Mayor Nunez ask for reports from the Department Heads.

Chief Ayala advised that so far we had nine block parties for National Night Out and if they wished to participate and have a block party to please get with him and he would have the final destination of the block parties at the next council meeting and National Night Out would be on the first Tuesday of October. Chief Ayala stated that he also wanted to add that concerning a letter that is circulating in the community, concerning Thomas DeMont, that he just wanted to let them know and assure them that he was no longer working with the department, he was no longer an employee with the city, his services have been terminated. However, he just wanted to let them know that we did have a process that we work through, policy and procedure and due process that we have to give the officers when they encounter problems or situations that affect the city or community and it takes time to take care of the situation, we could not rush these problems even through what they may have heard doesn't sit very well with them but he just wanted to let them know that we have the process that we work through and we finalized it so he is no longer an employee of the city, he is not out here on the streets working. He advised that all of the officers had been very busy out here and asked that the citizens report any suspicious activity and they thanked them for working together with them.

Chief Squyres report that they had a significant fire at Galena Park High School but for the parents not to worry, the kids would be going to school, that there was some light smoke damage over the rest of the building and that it was an electrical wire.

He advised that they had been very busy with EMS and occasional fires. He stated that he was also going to mention that we were also audited by GLO on the large grant and he didn't think that we had ever been ask for that much in documentation on a grant. He stated that they came through and they basically gave us an A+ and now we have new requirements and we are going to have to learn a few more things to keep those guys

happy and we basically told them that as long as they keep throwing money at us, we will do whatever they need us to do.

Mayor Nunez stated that she thought we needed a round of applause on that audit.

Lon stated that there were a lot of people involved, virtually the entire city hall staff, Kyle's guys and it was a big job for everybody.

Kyle Reed, Public Works Director stated that he would like to say that the water plant, which was one of the GLO Projects and the sewer plant were all going well, in addition to the audit, they are moving right along. He advised that they had some delays because of the rain but all the projects were going well. He advised that the new water line job across the tracks should be finished soon, he thinks they will do a substantial completion before the next two council meetings. He stated this was an excellent contractor, they were not through that like he said they were going to do the substantial completion and after that is when they do the cleanup so anybody that lives between Palestine and Lane, in the 300 and 400 blocks, their yard would be taken care of and would be put back the way it used to be or as close to it as possible.

Mr. Reed advised that on the 27th of September he had ask Joyce to put on the agenda that our engineers would be here to address the Mayor, Council and citizens and ask that they please make that meeting, that it had to do with our storm water management program which was going to be a very big deal and he would like for everybody to be here and get educated on what we were going to be up against in enforcing it. He stated that it was EPA regulated and the work that it is going to take to enforce it is not going to be fun, especially the first couple of years and come on September 27th and you will get to hear what they are going to tell the Council and everybody.

Mayor Nunez ask Mr. Reed to please tell the staff that he worked with that a lot of the citizens are out there seeing his guys mowing and cleaning, etc. and she thinks it has been A 100+ degrees and she knows that he keeps them well supplied with gator aid, water and things like that but please, at your safety meeting tomorrow, let them know and she was sure that she was not the only one that is expressing that kind of gratitude.

Mr. Reed stated that he would like to compliment his guys, the public works guys are an excellent bunch of employees and yes they have been out in the heat and we provide the gator aid of whatever they need, that they didn't want any heat strokes.

Kim Bellotte, Parks & Recreation, stated that she would like to say that the Mayor and Jack looked better than they had in a long time, they both looked healthy tonight. She stated they have fun at parks and recreation and if they wanted to have some to come out

tomorrow night for the Dive In Movie, that the Councilman in Position One picked the movie so if they didn't like it, he picked it but if they did like it, she did everything. She stated that the movie was going to be Journey II and everybody was excited about it, this was a family event to bring all the community together and it would start at 8:00 p.m. and they ask that you either bring \$5.00 per person or a covered dish and what they really wanted was the food, just bring what ever you would have at your family picnic because this was your community family picnic. She stated that Saturday morning they have a new event, first time they had ever tried this, it was Debbie Morlock's idea and if it went wrong and her idea if it was good. She stated it was the first Annual Youth Triathlon, at 8:00 in the morning starting at the swimming pool, it was the swim team children and if they knew anybody else, they didn't want to just limit it to the swim team kids. She went over the activities that would be involved in the triathlon and invited everyone to come out and have a good time.

Mayor Nunez ask Kim if they had a good crowd keeping the kids out of the street by all the functions she has at the park.

Kim advised that they did, they were busy every day and called attention to the plants that they planted in the planter in front of the City Hall Annex, that Allan Jamail donated the plants and Carmela's fitness group planted them, the Girls Scouts had planted plants at the gym and they also have new plants at the swimming pool, so every day was a new day, that they probably have 40 to 50 different kids everyday doing projects. She stated that they also have the teenagers that come to the gym to play basketball, so yes they were making a difference in a lot of kids lives.

Cindy Miller, Heritage Hall Director, stated they had been really busy and on Monday, August 20th was game night from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. bring a covered dish and she did want to thank Kim and her staff for allowing them to swim and do water exercises and they would have to start walking. She thanked Kim for allowing them to use the pool, that she didn't have to do that.

Mayor Nunez stated so the pool was not only being used by teenagers but the seniors as well. Mayor Nunez stated that she use to see the busses come in from other places to use the parks and that was a plus for Jacinto City.

Ms. Millers advised that the park was always full.

Kim Bellotte advised that Congressman Gene Green had his Town Hall Meeting at the Town Center last night and he informed them that with the redistricting that Shelia Jackson Lee had been put over the north side of Jacinto City, Pcts. 229, 935 and 769 and he

would only have the south side of Jacinto City and he was asking for everybody's support, it was not official yet and we need to get people talking and whatever else we need to do.

Mayor Nunez ask if she said that Big Bass would be under Shelia Jackson Lee.

Kim stated that was correct and with that district change, he would not be able to use our Town Center anymore because it wouldn't be in his district.

Stephanie Orr, Jacinto City Library advised that they had been really busy this summer. The lap tops are being checked out continuously and they have also been using them as part of their computer classes. She advised that they had a lot of participation in their summer reading programs and tomorrow was the last day for both youth and adults and they had a party for the kids yesterday and oddly enough the movie they were showing was the same movie the kids saw yesterday.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Nunez stated that Joe Ayala mentioned a letter that was sent to certain people in Jacinto City with no signature and a lot of the allegations in the letter, she was sure were know by the people sitting up here because of the still ongoing investigation and she thinks a lot of that information (she ask Mr. DeFoyd if it was correct) could not be given out in regards to Captain Demont but since there was no signature, it only said a group of concerned citizens and she wanted to tell them that he had been our City Attorney for 40 years and she considered him a very intelligent person or else she didn't thing the people in Jacinto City, the council and city manager would have somebody who was not going to do what is right for the people of Jacinto City so believe her, he was not our idiot city attorney so she wanted to thank him for his work and dedication, that she could call him whenever she needed to ask a question so she will be sure she is answering the right way. She stated that in the letter there was a lot of things that were said at our closed session and she was very disappointed to have seen that but like she said, she didn't have names, it was signed as a group of concerned citizens and as they heard Chief Ayala, Captain DeMont was no longer with us and she was sure, from now own, that department would be keeping a close eye, ears and everything to make sure that our city would not be disgraced again, this was really something serious and we just have to move on and have faith in our leaders, council members, city attorney and city manager because all of them are trying to do what is best for you the people that elected us to sit here and those persons who are interest about the city and not making the city look bad because this goes on the internet or face book and people read it and it looks bad but we know we have a lot of good officers and she named the officers present, Sgt.. Aguilara, Sgt. Becker and Officer Ramos. She stated that she had to say this, she saw Officer Becker yesterday morning , that she was stopped at Market and Holland and all of a sudden an SUV just

flew across at about 60 or 65 miles an hour, not caring that people were crossing or anything and she understood that the gentleman had four young children in his car, had been involved in an accident before that and his license was suspended and so instead of trying to get free of something he had done, he could have killed somebody and Officer Becker was there when we needed him and she thanked him for the good job and the man was transported to the county.

Mayor Nunez stated that the next item that she had was and she knew that a lot of them had heard about the fire on Chadwick and Mercury, there were two families living in this house, five young kids and four adults and one family lost everything in that fire so Wanda Dowlearn immediately started calling people, trying to get things together and the church called her and said they needed her help and there was people that would do things but didn't like to be named and she had a gentlemen call her and said he could get furniture for them as soon as they got their house or apartment. She stated that today they called her and she had three bags of children's cloths to pick up and when she got home, there was a bag full of children's shoes and cloths for the kids. She stated that she was not concerned about the adults but she wanted them to know that the husband and wife got a job, they were trying to work and get themselves together and she wanted to thank all of the people who were involved and will get involved and like she said, if she is not home, just leave whatever you have on her front porch. She stated that she had registered them with helping hands and on Tuesday, both families would get enough commodities to last them at least a month so she wanted to thank all of them who immediately went to work and knew that it was hard for information to get out to each one of us because she knew that sometimes you work days or nights like Council Member Gonzales but Council Member Lee, Carmela and Ana immediately got on it, so we are all working together and she knew that communication was not good sometimes but we were working on that.

Mayor Nunez introduced Mr. Berry from the Dangerous Building Board, Mr. Bernard Valdez from the Variance Board, Victor Castillo, a new member on the Planning and Zoning Board and welcomed Mr. Alexander.

Mayor Nunez stated that former Council Member Jose Ramon ask two questions at the last council meeting and she told him that she would have an answer for him. She stated that the first one was in regards to us showing favoritism to former Mayor Chris Diaz's restaurant, that they catered two functions which the city didn't spend a single penny, one of them was when Chris Diaz did an appreciation banquet for the employees and he father donated all the food for that banquet and not a penny of city money was spent. She stated that the second was Harris County Mayors and Council's Association, who holds a meeting here every year at the Town Center and we are very honored that they do that because there is 29 cities and we have the Mayors and Councils come in and that

function is paid by the Harris County Mayors and Council's Association, the deserts and everything , we might furnish the appetizers, she was talking Joyce or getting it donated but not once has the city had to pay for anything that other organizations will pay for and we are very grateful.

She stated the next item was a contract, Bellotte Enterprises, a contract he seems to think the city paid for the chemicals, that when Bellotte Enterprise was our contractor and Kim was in the contract before she became Director of Parks and Recreation, we would get the supplies from the same company that Bellotte Enterprises would get their chemicals and we were using Bellotte Enterprise because we got a big discount because they had several pools that they serviced but not once did the city put out a penny and he was welcome to come and look at the paper work, that all it was stating was that Bellotte Enterprise but the City of Jacinto city was billed and the City of Jacinto city paid only for the chemicals that were used by the City of Jacinto city. Mayor Nunez ask if Mr. Ramon was here and she wanted to make sure they understood that we don't do things underhand and there is always going to be paperwork you can look at and find out this is the way it is done and she appreciated Joyce and Lon pulling out paperwork because this was an accusation that made all of us look back especially when he pointed that she was on council and now she remembers going back and looking at all these contracts and Bellotte Enterprise was named on the contract but not as the person receiving our chemicals but because of the discount we got and it was no longer going to be that way, Bellotte Enterprise was losing their discount and so are we but we want to make sure that there is never going to be a question about if the city is paying for someone else's chemicals. She stated that we want to do what is right so when you question anything we can prove by looking at a contract that you are going to be satisfied that it is correct.

She apologized to Mr. Childress from Big Bass for not recognizing him and she was very glad to see him here and also recognized LaGloria from Big Bass. She stated that we had some of our senior citizens here and she didn't think they wanted her to mention their names because she was calling them seniors. She also recognized Ray Morlock and Nancy Gosney, members of the Planning and Zoning Board.

She thanked everyone for making Jacinto City a better city.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Maner stated that all was going well, they had heard the Mayor and Department Head reports and he thought that showed that things were going well in the city and he always says things are going well in the city that they are not perfect but they are going well and if they know of something that is not going well to let us know and we

would try our best to take care of it. He stated that he guessed that the Chief just forgot to mention it but don't forget that we have National Night Out coming up the first Tuesday in October, remember to conserve water and school was about to start so be sure to watch out for the children.

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Nunez stated that the first item on the agenda, under new business, was Larry Schion to speak about officers who cover up or don't do their jobs, mainly theaters, etc.. Officers who let people go if their name is higher than the normal Joe Blow and also speak on his arrest and why they did it.

Council Member Garcia stated that it seem like this was a personnel matter and you know how we have special executive meetings where the personnel matters ought to be concerned, that we did want to listen to his concerns but we wanted to make sure that it was at a special executive meeting.

Mayor Nunez advised that he stated what he was going to be talking about that had come up for discussion.

Council Member Garcia stated she brought it up because it said officers.

There were comments from Mr. Schion while in the audience that were not picked up by the sound system.

Ms. Garcia stated that she would just like to make that suggestion that it be discussed in back.

Mayor Nunez stated that was coming up for Council and the Mayor and our City Attorney to look into that and it was just discussed today with our City Attorney and they would bring it the Council and see how this was going to be done in the future.

Larry Schion stated that it showed that some people were concerned but there was a letter that was sent to a lot of people, it was a very nasty letter, it concerned a lot of people in the city and he didn't know why he even got one but he did and it was ugly. He stated that it talked about Mr. DeFoyd, who had been here for a long time, he didn't have anything to do with any of it but it mentioned his name. He stated that it talked about Tommy DeMont and it said some things that were true but it said some things that were

very false, so as much truth was too it, there was a lot false and there was no name to it so anybody that wants to bring a letter but he gets up here night after night for 40 years and talk and they always know who he is, where he lives and what he stands for in this city and he didn't care who he was talking about and with that respect, as much as some people didn't like him for getting up here and talking, they would always know what he says and that he is the one that is saying it unlike some people's letters, so who ever sent that letter was a coward but he could tell them that the letter most likely came from that Council because some of the things that were in there was discussed in an open meeting (He corrected his statement to say a closed meeting) so there was a leak up there somewhere, he didn't know where and didn't care but he could tell them this, they sent the letter anonymously and it talked about Mr. DeFoyd, it talked about DeMont, it talked about our Chief of Police and it talked about Felipe Molina and again, they told a little bit about it but he knew they had to be wondering but if you hadn't seen it, that was what it was talking about. He stated that it suggested that the council and that Mr. Defoyd should have fire him, then if not, he needed to be taken care of, whatever that means, he guessed fired or something for not standing up but there is certain rights. He stated that he had known Tommy for 13 years, ever since he first come here and he was shocked to think that he might do that but he might that it said he was run off the road and stuff and the officer was fired and he was not, that he checked into that, they found him (there was a comment to the Mayor from a council member and Mayor Nunez ask Mr. Schion if he was going to address what he had on the agenda). Mr. Schion stated yes but this was leading up to where he was going. Mr. Schion ask if he would like him to just sit down and not talk. Council Member Lee stated that was not for him to say and Mr. Schion stated that it was, he was the one that mentioned it, would he like for him to sit down and Council Member Lee stated yes he would but he was here for a reason and Mr. Schion stated that he had it Mr. Big Boy. Mayor Nunez gaveled Mr. Schion down. Mr. Schion stated that he was going to sit down and not talk and he ask Ms. Garcia if she felt that way too, yes or no. Council Member Garcia stated that he needed to cover what was on the agenda. Council Member Lee advised his that it was his right to talk. Mr. Schion stated that he was just going to talk but he wasn't going to let him interrupt him though. He stated that anyway it was not a good thing what we know about it and it was a wrong letter and they knew his son got arrested and he got sent a letter here from Odem & Levin, which was also the come in Judges and he didn't like being attacked for something. He stated he got the letter because he helped this city because a resident in this city put up a fence or get one taken down, that when he got that fence took down, because nobody in this room would help her and he did and after that it led to his son being arrested because nobody would do anything about them taking the fence down. He stated that he didn't like this letter, he thought Officer Walker had Odem & Levin write, they threatened him over and over, that was an officer of the city putting false documents on people of the city or people who live here or people he don't like. He stated that he heard one guy talk

about that Mr. Walker helped him and he had to do some good or he wouldn't be here but for some people he helps and some people he don't and if you want to see who might be our enemy, look around and see which ones are using cameras, that is probably who is your enemy or working for the other guys. Mr. Schion stated that he did have a lot of stuff that he was going to talk about and he probably wouldn't get through with it because he only had ten minutes but he had three minutes later and he didn't like him putting his son in jail and not taking the other man to jail, that we had a least four officers that were on the site at the same time that said they didn't think his son would have went to jail and he was going to subpoena those guys to that court and his own guys are going to tell them because it is on tape and he was going to subpoena the tapes also and so if this shows where Mr. Walker told a fib, he would suggest that the city council and Joe Ayala fire him immediately, on the spot and this letter, he thinks, just takes a really lower type individual, that we have had law suits on people in this room over tables and chairs for two years and the letter might have come from the same people who sent the law suits for tables and chairs but when an officer would want someone to not say something and the people that represent this city well that sounded a little bit like nepotism to him, meaning that he works for the city, they work for the city, he put the charges on my son, how could he put the charges and then go get somebody who works for the city and if that Judge Deane hired those two, he knows Judge Deane and they are partners, how could his son get a fair trial in this city if the officer is going to run to the Judges in our city. Mr. Schion stated that he knew that they might not want to hear that but maybe they needed to work on that. He stated that Ms. Nunez worked on stuff, she was trying really hard but these things that Walker is doing is not fair and if anybody in this room could tell him how it was fair or anybody up there and if they think that is fair, this next election he would help the other team get them out, it was just as simple as that, he helped them get in and he would help them get out. Mayor Nunez advised Mr. Schion that his time was up and he stated that he would pick this up later.

2. Mayor Nunez stated that the next thing on the agenda was Jim Moore to address the Mayor and Council about Civil Service, going out for bids, nepotism and to advise citizens of procedures to use in reporting sewer issues to TCEQ and city hall.

Mr. Moore was not present to speak.

Council Member Rivas ask to address Mr. Schion, stating that he said up here there might be a leak in regard to the letter, and he knew he would do this, if it come out that we find that person who wrote that letter, that he would get up at that podium (Mr. Schion addressed the comment from the audience and it was not picked up by the sound system), and apologize. Mr. Schion stated that he would tell them he was sorry. Mr. Schion continued to speak from the audience.

Council Member Lee stated that he would like to address something that Mr. Schion said, that he ask him if he wanted him to sit down and he said yes. He stated that was his own Personal opinion, that he didn't mean to offend him and he wasn't trying to offend him, it was his right to get up and talk, it was his constitutional right and for that matter, he had a right to get up and say what he wanted to say, his concern was that there seems to be kind of a prevailling disrespect for the council at the council meetings and not just from him but from a lot of people and that concerns him and so when he ask if he wanted him to sit down, his honest reply was yes because he was expecting that, he might not agree with what he had to say but he would fight for his right to say it.

Mr. Schion commented from the audience.

Council Member Garcia stated that just to add on, according to the open meetings act, there was a topic that discussed personnel matters, she didn't say they didn't want to hear it, that topic can be discussed but this is to discuss city business, it was not that they didn't want to hear, they did want to hear his concerns.

Council Member Gonzales advised Mr. Schion that it was not that they didn't want him up here to talk about what he had to say, they welcomed that, it was the public's duty to come up here and voice their opinion, it was just that some time when he got on these topics he got off track and it seem like they were the judge, jury and executioner here and that is not what it was about, it was doing what was right.

Mr. Schion commented from the audience regarding getting on the agenda.

City Attorney DeFoyd stated that we would probably have something to talk about how to handle the agenda in an orderly manner so that we take care of the city business during a period of time and then we will have or his suggestion would be to have room for comments after the cities business is taken care of.

Mr. Schion stated that he stood up for Mr. DeFoyd but the letter was not right and continued to comment from the audience, that he didn't believe everything that he said but he would stand up for him.

Mr. DeFoyd stated that he had been called idiots before.

Mayor Nunez advised that she did want the council to know that there was a discussion today and they would work with the council, that she runs the meetings when she was here, that she was the one that had to gavel people down but they were going to work on something with Mr. DeFoyd so that it is done so the city business was conducted and she

would get back with them once everything is really explained to each one of them and advised Jack that they were not leaving him out it was because of the agenda like this, we needed to make sure that the city business is taken care of first, that is what we are here for, to do city business and she knew that if she was going to gavel them down they were going to dislike her but that came with her job and that was fine, they would make up with her.

Mayor Nunez stated that she would not allow any comments from the audience because the city secretary was not able to hear and she needed to put down in the minutes what was said so if they had something to say or if there was someone at the podium and they made a comment to please refrain from doing that, she would gavel one time and the second time ask the officer escort them and she was not being disrespectful to anybody but she thinks the person at the podium needs to be respected because that was what we were here for, to hear their concerns and complaints.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Dee Owens, 10249 Wiggins, stated that she attended the Gene Green Town Meeting last night and was brought to tears because half of our city was going to be under Shelia Jackson Lee, so they talked to Gene Green and he feels like it is not permanent right now and it won't be permanent until January 1st, that if we get out and get petitions and get them signed and get enough signed, he thinks there is a chance that he could keep Songwood and Jacinto City. She stated this was her own personal opinion, she thinks it is totally important that we keep Gene Green that we have a wonderful team of elected officials that work well together. She stated that Gene Green had done so much for this area and this city and she wanted us to do everything possible to try keep him as our Congressman for Jacinto City. She stated that she thought it would be horrible for Kim to have to deal with two congress people, that she told them last night that she might get double help but she didn't think that would happen so she would like to get a show of hands of people who are willing, able bodied and ready to help us get these petitions and get them signed. She stated that she thought there were two council people there last night, JJ and he voiced his support and Carmela Garcia voiced her support and if there was anything that could unite this city, it would be to keep Gene Green.

Donna Dailey, 1701 Chazen Dr., stated that she didn't have anything against Ms. Jackson but we were already split, we had Houston School District here, Galena Park School District here, we don't get to know our neighbors because our kids can't even go to school together and then we start splitting up the middle of this town, that we were a city and she didn't care who was our congress person but it should be one congress person, why split us down, it was not like we were Houston that we are so big that we have split, we are a small

town, keep us together and keep us united, we were tired of being split. She stated that another thing she would like to cover was that she didn't always agree with who was on the council and they knew that if she didn't she was going to say that but she had also been told and she thinks that she has enough knowledge to understand, that we are not going to agree with all of the employee here either but she would hate to think that she was an employee that was going to be attacked from somebody standing up here and she wasn't saying that she hadn't attacked employees because she remembered she had a son who had a red car and we had a police chief at one time and if her son drove out of their yard he was picked up and every Monday she was at court but she thought she handled it the right way because she brought the people that knew it down here and ask for a closed meeting and ask for the people that were involved so that she could get her point across and let them know what she thought and it was handled right away because the chief that was there at the time kind of overloaded his mouth and said to tell him to get rid of the car; so are we a perfect city, no but she would tell you what, it was handled immediately and she thinks that if you take things that aren't perfect here, and we do have problems, and handle them through the right people, we might get more done, that what we do up here is state how we feel, we get upset and what we are doing is splitting our city again and we are looking like a bunch of idiots to media.

Nancy Gosney, 1726 Belin, stated first of all Go USA and advised that the women got, as of today, 26 Gold Medals. She advised Mayor Nunez that she was very proud of her tonight, that the meeting was very good and she wanted to thank her. Ms. Gosney stated that she received one of those nasty letters and she called Chief Ayala as soon as she received it and got with him. She stated that she didn't need any help talking in this city that when she believed in something, she would get up here and speak, she didn't need somebody to send a letter to her house, she did have eyes on what goes on in this city and this was a legal matter, this was a procedure and there was nothing as citizens we could do other than let this take it's course. She stated that she would miss DeMont herself, however, he was in a bad situation so whoever did this needed to refrain from sending a letter like this or like they did and go door to door during the recall and put your face to it. She advised the council to remember there was a first amendment rights still so keep that in mind during the meeting. She stated Go Chris Diaz for Constable Pct. 2 on November 6th.

Norma Coleman stated that she lived many years at 10402 Oswego and she just wanted to say that she lived here many years and she was very happy with the community and everybody here and she would just like to add that she had seen Sgt. Walker help many of us here, he had been a counselor to her son as well as many teenagers here so on behalf of

many parents, they were truly grateful for his time and dedication. She stated that Sgt. Walker had been nothing but a positive influence for the community and for this she would like to say to Chief Joe Ayala thank you so much for keeping it safe here for us and thanks of course to the entire Jacinto city Police Department, great job.

Raul Rodriguez, 1410 Jennifer, stated that he had lived here for years and years and we had a good police department and a good city hall. He stated that he had known Jack for many years and also Mr. Jim DeFoyd for many years. He stated that Chief Ayala, B.J. and Mr. Walker and he knew a lot of the officers up here and they do a good job, that when you call somebody you don't know how that person is going to act in that house and behind that badge is a man that wants to go home after his day is over and we don't know if he is going to make it home or not, the children don't know what is going to happen so we ought to thank the police department and city hall and everybody because we do have a good police department and because one person, maybe, he was not the judge, if he did wrong, the Lord was going to take care of it but don't blame all these officers up here, we have good officers and he would stand behind them. He stated that he also wanted to let them know that in Galena Park 1721 they were going to be giving away backpacks again for the needy children and it would be at 8:00 o'clock on Saturday. He stated that they had given out \$60,000.00 in LULAC scholarships and they were going to continued and he wanted to thank everybody.

Mayor Nunez stated that he was talking about the backpacks and ask if the people who lost everything in the recent fire would be allowed to get them.

Mr. Rodriguez stated they would, that all they needed were shot records and Mayor Nunez advised him that everything burned and Mr. Rodriguez stated to just let him know and he would be glad to help them out any way he could and he thought there was going to be some uniforms. He stated that we all need to work together for our city.

Larry Schion stated that like Mr. Raul said, he was sure there was some good in Mr. Walker, he stated that he had been looking on the internet, trying to keep up with Tommy and he see where there is hundred and hundreds of officers all over the world doing this to little kids or whatever it may be but behind it there is some good in Mr. Walker and there is some bad behind people too, there is good and bad in everybody and he does do a lot of good and he is sure he does help a lot of kids but when he talks about why can't we keep this in here, he is exactly right, why couldn't he have not gotten them to write that letter to him as a threatening letter to scare him from talking and he could have took it to our council in a private meeting and that was what he was talking about and when you say you don't want to listen, he could have ask any of them, they could have had a private

meeting, what is the deal here, he doesn't want him touching him, he doesn't want him around him, he didn't think Walker like him or his son and if he pulls him over he was going to call 911 and he was going to call Joe's house and say come rescue me that when he does something to him or his son, he gets that letter right there and he didn't like that and he wasn't saying that he wasn't good and he knew that we had a lot of good officers, but we have had a lot of bad ones and there is a lot of good ones up here so people, like a couple of council members, say you shouldn't talk well it is a first amendment right and when we were doing something else later on someone else it was all alright so it had to be alright if you don't say anything bad and he hadn't attacked him and he hadn't said anything bad about him but he said his son came up here and said bad things about him and his son hadn't even been here and talked to anybody so that letter needs to be addressed. He stated that he thought Mr. Joe needed to get him and Mr. Walker in there and tell him why he attacked him and his son like that.

Mayor Nunez advised Mr. Schion that he was going back to what he had already discussed.

Mr. Schion stated that he understood but he would like a public apology for that and if not then he was going to pursue and if they wanted him to shut up then if he would give him a public apology he wouldn't say anything else and if not he would be back every two weeks.

Roland Garza, 10202 ½ Market St. all day long, eight hours a day and it was hot out there. He stated that he had been chased around by Joe Ayala's boys but a lot of it he deserved, some of it he didn't but before that, he was chased by a police chief and there were guys his age to this day and he hated to say this that could not get a job because of the record and he was not saying that they were all committed but he was saying that at that time we all know what police chief he was talking about and there was friends of his that could not get good jobs because of that and he wanted to give a thank you to Joe Ayala for being the officer that he was. He stated that Mr. Kyle always walks around and make sure they have water in their truck and he got on to him because he told them to make sure they had water coolers in the truck and he put his water cooler in the truck, he just didn't put ice and water in it and he was a good boss and Kim Bellotte and all of the department heads, you couldn't ask for a better city, living in a small town is great.

Council Member Rivas stated that he wanted to remind everybody that tomorrow night was the Dive In Movie and the more the merrier and he would like to see everyone there. If they didn't want to swim, come by for the movie and food and a good time.

Mayor Nunez advised that Council Member Diaz was with her husband at the canvass of his election.

Council Member Lee stated that he was at the Big Bass Resort on Tuesday night and Mr. Childress had done a great job over there, the facilities look good and he had a really nice reading room over there but the shelves are almost empty of books and he could use some more books and he had some books that he wanted donate and if anyone else did he was sure they would accept those and maybe our library might come up with some books but they need to fill those shelves up over there.

Mayor Nunez ask what kind of books and Council Member Lee advised that he had told Mr. Childress that he would let him look at the books first but if you have any that are in good shape and don't want them anymore, please consider donating them to the Big Bass reading room. He stated that he would also like to say that nobody wanted to take anyone's constitutional rights away from them and they certainly had the right to get up and talk any time they wanted but what he would like to say and what was probably the best and most efficient way for a lot of them to get the answers they were looking for was to call one them during the week, they would be glad to talk to them, they would gladly research whatever problem or question they had, that was their job and they would be glad to do it and he would guarantee them that they would get an answer a lot quicker by calling one of them to research it and find the answer for them, they like doing that and they will not lie to them.

Mayor Nunez advised that was the right procedure, going through the department heads or city manager and like she said, they would be addressing that later on when they have a meeting.

Council Member Garcia stated that right before the council meeting, she was driving down Switzer and she witnessed, with her own eyes and she knew that we had talked about this before, the shopping carts, how it was a problem in the city and she personally witnessed a lady going down Switzer and she left the cart in the middle between two blocks, grab the bags and went to one of the dead ends and she was not mentioning the street. She stated that her first thought was call Chief Ayala but what could he do because we don't have a city ordinance on that so she was just wanting to suggest that we please have a workshop on that, if not now, maybe in the next month or so and maybe just invite certain businesses that have the shopping carts.

Mayor Nunez advised that she had visited several of those businesses and told them that in the future that the council would probably be drawing up some kind of ordinance on this so they had been made aware but we could go back and talk to them again but it was really not their fault, it was their customers.

Ms. Garcia stated that the public works department was doing their job as usual and today they had a mosquito presentation and she learned a lot of things about mosquitoes and

how the breed so please keep your lawn free of water etc. and it was very educational and the children got a book with a little card in Spanish and English on mosquitoes and a t-shirt. So there was a presentation for the parents and a presentation for the kids.

Council Member Gonzales stated that he just wanted to thank the public for coming out and it was always good to hear their concerns and we try to get answers for them as quickly as we can. He stated that his wife was not here, but tomorrow would be their 21st wedding anniversary and she didn't know this yet but she was going to be treated to a Dive In Movie.

City Manager Maner stated that it was strange that we had mentions of the mosquito problems tonight that this afternoon he had gotten a call from a fellow that he went to law school with and he was up in Ft. Worth in a rehab center and he spent twelve days in the hospital with West Nile virus and was in rehab now so it can be very serious.

Mayor Nunez stated that she had spoke with Kyle and ask him if he didn't say the county was helping spray and she knew that the flood control was in front of her house.

Mr. Reed advised that the city was getting sprayed five nights a week and he went over some of the breeding grounds for mosquitoes and the best thing, like he said last week, was to stay out of it and if you were going to be out, use off or something with the chemical deet.

Lon Squyres stated that he would not elaborate but we actually had a fatality here in the city about six years ago from the West Nile virus and all it took was one mosquito.

Mayor Nunez stated that she also wanted to say that the citizens were the eyes and ears for them and if they see a problem, don't hesitate to call city hall, they can take the call and get it to the right department the same day so that they could return the phone calls. Mayor Nunez stated that she was going to make an exception, that Donna Dailey wanted to talk about mosquitoes.

Ms. Dailey stated that she just had a question and ask if we have had a case of West Nile here this year and was advised not that we were aware of.

Council Member Garcia advised that one of the things that Harris County did suggest was that if you find a dead bird to report that to the Harris County Department, that you could either drop it off or they would pick it up because the West Nile virus is picked up a lot times because of the birds.

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Mayor Nunez ask Kyle if they could call him if they find a dead bird or did they have to call the county.

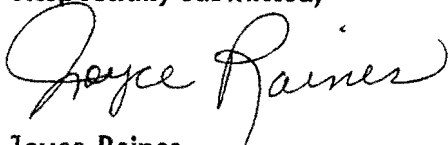
Mr. Reed stated that the bird had to be found with an hour or hour and a half in order to be tested.

Mayor Nunez stated there were a not of cats and they normally eat them in less than an hour.

There was general discussion on mosquitoes and West Nile Virus.

Mayor Nunez adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joyce Raines". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Joyce Raines
City Secretary