

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF DIMMIT §
CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS §

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas has called a **Regular Session** at the City Hall, 308 West Pena Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas, 78834 on **Tuesday, March 12, 2019** commencing at **6:00 p.m.** for considering the following items of business:

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Dina Ojeda-Balderas called meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The Council conducted their own roll call and declared the following Councilmembers present:

Dina Ojeda-Balderas	Mayor
Sofia Morones	Councilor
Oscar E. Puente	Councilor
Jesse Johnson	Councilor

Absent:

Sandra C. Little	Mayor Pro Tem
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A quorum was established.

STAFF:

Nora G. Flores, City Manager	Melissa M. Guerra, City Clerk
Gloria Martinez, Finance Director	John Camarillo, Public Works Director
Jesse Mendoza, Landfill Supervisor	Ramsey Castillo, Water Dept. Supervisor
Gary Rios, Wastewater Dept. Supervisor	Nestor Montalvo, Street Dept. Supervisor
Joe Mata, Parks & Recreation/Gas Dept. Supervisor	

WELCOME & RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mayor Dina Ojeda-Balderas welcomed and recognize all guests present.

Elbert Ortiz, Mark A. Balderas, Alma Ortegon, Ted Rodriguez, Priscilla Sample, Roselio Olivarez, Angel Ayala Jr., Sunny Philip, Frances Guerrero, Olga Tovar, James Cabello, Ted Walker, Odulia Ortiz, Javier Zambrano, Eva H. Morones, Diana Morones, Jose J. Rios

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS **Citizen comments will be limited to 3 minutes.*

Mark Balderas states to Council states that the cabin Mrs. Alma Ortegon is requesting to live in is safe to reside in.

Attorney Ted Rodriguez states to Council that his client Alma Ortegon has been denied utility services and is willing to add to her cabin to comply with the city ordinance and meet building codes in order to get services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

A. SPECIAL SESSION - FEBRUARY 5, 2019

B. REGULAR SESSION - FEBRUARY 12, 2019

C. SPECIAL SESSION - FEBRUARY 26, 2019

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones for City Manager Nora G. Flores to review the recording of the meeting on February 26, 2019 and update the minutes.

Motion dies for lack of second.

Motion made by Councilor Oscar E. Puente, second by Councilor Jesse Johnson to approve minutes.

Vote for approval 3-1. Councilor Sofia Morones opposed.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion made by Councilor Jesse Johnson, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to approve accounts payable for the month of February 2019 and Maldonado Law Group, PLLC invoice for \$11,920.00.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

3. JAMES E. CABELLO ATTORNEY AT LAW

A. DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX QUARTERLY REPORT

James E. Cabello presented Council with the delinquent property tax quarterly report.

B. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION IN REGARDS TO ACCEPT OR REJECT RE-SALE BID(S) ON TRUSTEE PROPERTY, TO WIT: "BLOCKS (LOTS) 3, 4, & 5, OF THE VERA ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, DIMMIT COUNTY, TEXAS". TAX OFFICE PROPERTY ID NUMBER 13747. (SECT #1: TAX SUIT 16-08-02790-DTX, CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS VS. EMMA C. YBARRA)

Motion made Councilor Jesse Johnson, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to accept Kristy Little-Feather Vasquez's bid of \$2,250.00 for trustee property, "Blocks (Lots) 3, 4, & 5, of the Vera Addition, to the City of

Carrizo Springs, Dimmit County, Texas”. Tax Office property ID number 13747. (Sect #1: Tax Suit 16-08-02790-DTX, City of Carrizo Springs vs. Emma C. Ybarra.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

4. BRIEF ADDRESS REGARDING LONG TERM WATER EFFECTS AND BLACK MOUNTAIN SAND ELBERT ORTIZ

Elbert Ortiz presented Council with his concerns regarding the long-term water effects Black Mountain Sand would cause for the City of Carrizo Springs. Mr. Ortiz invites Council to attend the Black Mountain Sand, LLC Prehearing Conference in Austin, March 27, 2019 to represent the City of Carrizo Springs.

5. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) GRANT

A. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dina Ojeda-Balderas opens Public Hearing at approximately 6:41 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Javier Zambrano with the Texas Community Grant Program (TXCDBG) states to Council that the city is applying for a planning & small capacity building study for Wastewater, Streets, Water, Drainage, Capital Improvements Program, and Certification through the Texas Department of Agriculture. The housing program is for persons with low and moderate income. The program is necessary and in the best interest of the city to participate in the 2019 Texas Community Development Planning Program.

C. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dina Ojeda-Balderas closed the Public Hearing at 6:49 p.m.

6. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 547 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Motion made by Councilor Oscar E. Puente, second by Councilor Sofia Morones to approve Resolution No. 547 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas, authorizing the filing of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture; and authorizing the mayor to act as the city's executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the city's participation in the Texas community Development block grant program.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

7. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ON TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD GRANT - SUNNY PHILLIP

Sunny Philip updated Council on the status of the Texas Water Development Board Grant Application.

8. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE PRESIDING JUDGE AND ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR THE MAY 4, 2019 GENERAL ELECTION

City Clerk Melissa M. Guerra informs Council that Maria DeAnda has resigned and will not be available to be the Presiding Judge for the General Election this year. Mrs. Guerra recommends Gabriel Rubio to be the Presiding Judge and Mrs. Irma Lira to be the Alternate Judge for this year's General Election.

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to appoint Gabriel Rubio as the Presiding Judge and Irma Lira as the Alternate Judge for the May 4, 2019 General Election.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

9. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION IN REGARDS TO 2019 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

A. BUDGET - HOT FUNDS

Motion made by Councilor Jesse Johnson, second by Oscar E. Puente to approve \$30,000 budget for the 2019 Fourth of July Celebration.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

B. FIREWORK DISPLAY - GENERAL FUND

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to approve \$4,000 budget from the General Fund for the firework display.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

C. LOCATION - VETERANS PARK

Motion made by Councilor Oscar E. Puente, second by Councilor Jesse Johnson to approve to hold the 2019 Fourth of July Celebration at the Veterans Park.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

D. DATE OF EVENT - THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2019

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to hold 4th of July Celebration on Thursday, July 4, 2019.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

10. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE 2019 BRUSH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to approve the 2019 Brush Pick-Up Schedule as presented.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

11. PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER MARIA DEANDA'S RESIGNATION

Motion made by Councilor Oscar E. Puente, second by Councilor Jesse Johnson to approve Planning & Zoning Commissioner Maria DeAnda's resignation.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

B. RECOMMENDATION FOR TWO (2) PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Dina Ojeda-Balderas nominates David Briseno for the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motion made by Councilor Sofia Morones, second by Jesse Johnson to appoint David Briseno for the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

12. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 795 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 658 ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, AS AMENDED; AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE AND PROVIDING A PUBLICATION CLAUSE

Motion made by Councilor Oscar E. Puente, second by Councilor Sofia Morones to approve Ordinance No. 795 amending Ordinance No. 658 adopting the 2015 Edition of the International Building Code, as amended; amending the Code of Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty clause and providing publication clause.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

13. ADMINISTRATION MONTHLY REPORT

A. FINANCE DIRECTOR - GLORIA MARTINEZ

Finance Director Gloria Martinez presents Council with the sales tax revenue report, room tax occupancy fund, and collection reports.

B. CITY CLERK - MELISSA M. GUERRA

City Clerk Melissa M. Guerra reports to Council her daily duties including preparing agendas, minutes, attending seminars and is currently working on the May 4, 2019 General Election.

C. UTILITY DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR - ANGELINA RIOS

Utility Department's monthly report had a total of \$306,867.42 in revenue collected in the utility department for the month of February.

14. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR - JOHN CAMARILLO

Public Works Director John Camarillo presents Council with the daily activities of all the departments for the month of February.

- A. STREET DEPARTMENT
- B. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
- C. WATER DEPARTMENT
- D. LANDFILL DEPARTMENT
- E. GAS DEPARTMENT
- F. PARKS & RECREATION
- G. CODE ENFORCER
- H. ANIMAL CONTROL

15. MUNICIPAL COURT

A. CITY MARSHAL - HUGO SULAICA

City Marshal's monthly report had a total of 88 citations issued in the month of February 2019.

B. MUNICIPAL CLERK - LORENA CERNA

Municipal Court's monthly report 22 cases dismissed for the month of February, Municipal Court had a total of 198 citations that were issued by City Marshal Hugo Sulaica, Code Enforcer Arnold Aguilar, Deputy A. Tobias and 74 citations were issued by the Dimmit County Sheriff's Department.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Nora G. Flores presented Council with the monthly report for February.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilor Jesse Johnson, second by Councilor Oscar E. Puente to adjourn.

Vote for approval 4-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:25 p.m.

/s/Dina Ojeda-Balderas
Dina Ojeda-Balderas, Mayor
City of Carrizo Springs

ATTEST:

/s/Melissa M. Guerra
Melissa M. Guerra, City Clerk
City of Carrizo Springs