



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

Leon Valley City Council Chambers
6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, TX 78238
Tuesday, June 06, 2023 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

The City of Leon Valley City Council Shall Hold an In-Person Meeting with A Quorum of Members of City Council to Be Physically Present in The Leon Valley City Council Chambers, 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas 78238. Some Members of City Council May Appear and Participate in The Meeting by Videoconference Pursuant to The Requirements Set Forth in The Texas Open Meetings Act.

Citizens May E-Mail Public Comments To citizenstobeheard@leonvalleytexas.gov. All Other Citizen Participation May Be Provided In-Person at City Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order; Determine a Quorum is Present, Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT

Council Place 1 Benny Martinez
Council Place 2 Josh Stevens
Council Place 3 Philip Campos
Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Rey Orozco
Council Place 5 Will Bradshaw

EXCUSED

Mayor Chris Riley

Mayor Pro Tem Rey Orozco announced that Mayor Chris Riley was taking a well-deserved vacation and that he would be filling in for her this evening.

Mayor Pro Tem Orozco asked Councilor Will Bradshaw to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Citizens to be Heard

Those who spoke at this time were: Lakey Hinson; and Trisha Gronovich

3. Presentations

- 1. The Honorable Judge Lawrence Morales will Administer the Oath of Office and There Will Be a Presentation of the Certificate of Election to Council Member-Elect, Benny Martinez, Council Place 1; Council Member-Elect, Philip Campos, Council Place 3; and Council Member-Elect, Will Bradshaw, Council Place 5.**

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Each newly elected official took a moment to speak.

2. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to Create a New Economic Development Program to Demolish and Clear Vacant Lot(s) for Redevelopment. - R. Salinas, Director of Economic Development

Roque Salinas, Director of Economic Development presented a proposed New Economic Development Program to demolish and clear vacant lots for redevelopment.

Those who spoke on this item were: Brian Nietfeld

The consensus among members of City Council was to have Mr. Salinas move forward with the creation of this program.

Councilor Will Bradshaw made a motion to move Item 7.1 up on the agenda. Councilor Josh Stevens seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 2 Stevens, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

4. Regular Agenda

1. Discussion and Possible Action of an Ordinance Amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8 Offenses and Nuisances, to Add Article 8.15 Use of Public Property to Prohibit Persons from Camping, Lodging, Soliciting, or Sleeping on any Park, Public Median, Street, Drainageway, or Right-of-way; or on Any Private Property Without Permission from the Property Owner (1st Read was Held on 5-16-2023)

Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director presented an ordinance amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8 Offenses and Nuisances, to add Article 8.15 Use of Public Property to prohibit persons from camping, lodging, soliciting, or sleeping on any park, public median, street, drainageway, or right-of-way; or on any private property without permission from the property owner.

Those who spoke on this item were: Brian Nietfeld (Leon Valley)

Councilor Will Bradshaw made a motion to approve as amended. Councilor Josh Stevens seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 2 Stevens, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

- 5. Announcements by the Mayor and Council Members.** At this time, reports about items of community interest, which no action will be taken may be given to the public as per Chapter 551.0415 of the Government Code, such as: expressions of thanks, congratulations or condolence, information regarding holiday schedules, reminders of social, ceremonial, or community events organized or sponsored by the governing body or that was or will be attended by a member of the Leon Valley City Council or a City official.

Members of City Council made announcements.

6. City Manager's Report

Crystal Caldera, City Manager reminded everyone that the City Manager's Report was printed and available on the table in the foyer, as well as posted on the website. City Manager Caldera expressed her condolences on the recent passing of former Mayor Irene Baldrige; thanked everyone that volunteered or attended the Library's Big Rig Petting Zoo; and apologized again to Lakey Hinson for a recent unfortunate incident and invited everyone to attend the Chalk Walk on June 11th in support of Chalk Art.

1. Upcoming Important Events:

Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:30 PM, in Council Chambers.

Flag Day and Flag Disposal Ceremony, Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 6:30 PM, at Veteran's Park.

Coffee with the Mayor & City Council, Saturday, July 22, 2023, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, at the Leon Valley Conference Center.

Miscellaneous other events and announcements.

7. Consent Agenda

Councilor Philip Campos made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilor Josh Stevens seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 2 Stevens, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

- 1. Discussion and Possible Action Approving of the Following City Council Minutes:**
 - a. 05-16-2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Discussion and Possible Action Accepting of the Following Board/Commission Minutes:**
 - a. 04-13-2023 Park Commission Meeting Minutes**
 - b. 04-25-2023 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes**
- 3. Presentation of the Monthly Financial Report Ending April 31, 2023 - C. Goering, Finance Director**

8. Regular Agenda

1. **Presentation and Discussion on an Ordinance Amending Appendix A Fee Schedule, Article A2 Administrative Fees, Section A2.006 Library Fees (1st Read as Required by City Charter) - R. Reed, Library Director**

Regina Reed, Library Director presented an ordinance amending Appendix A Fee Schedule, Article A2 Administrative Fees, Section A2.006 Library Fees.

This item will be placed on the Consent Agenda of the June 20th meeting for a second read.

2. **Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to Consider Approval a Variance Request to Allow Geocaching in the Huebner-Onion Natural Area Park - M. Moritz, Public Works Director**

Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director presented a variance request to allow Geocaching in the Huebner-Onion Natural Area Park.

Councilor Will Bradshaw made a motion to approve the request as presented. Councilor Benny Martinez seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 2 Stevens, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

3. **Presentation, Public Hearing, and Possible Action to Approve a Replat with Variance Requests, of 0.3342-acre Tract of Land, Being Lot 4, Block 3, CB 9903, Brisa Estates at Leon Valley Subdivision, Located at 5301 Brisa Estates - M. Teague, Planning and Zoning Director**

Mindy Teague, Planning and Zoning Director presented a replat with variance requests, of 0.3342-acre tract of land, being Lot 4, Block 3, CB 9903, Brisa Estates at Leon Valley Subdivision, located at 5301 Brisa Estates.

Mayor Pro Tem Orozco opened the Public Hearing at 8:14 PM.

There being no public comment; Mayor Pro Tem Orozco closed the Public Hearing at 8:15 PM

Councilor Josh Stevens made a motion to approve the request as presented. Councilor Philip Campos seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 2 Stevens, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

4. Discussion and Possible Action to Elect a Mayor Pro-Tem

Councilor Will Bradshaw made a motion to nominate Councilor Josh Stevens as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilor Rey Orozco seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Council Place 1 Martinez, Council Place 3 Campos, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4 Orozco, Council Place 5 Bradshaw

Voting Abstaining: Council Place 2 Stevens

9. Citizens to be Heard

None

10. Requests from Members of City Council to Add Items to Future Agendas – Per Section 3.10 (A) of the City of Leon Valley's Code of Ordinances, at a meeting of City Council, a member of City Council may place an item on an agenda by making a motion to place the item on a future agenda and receiving a second. No discussion shall occur at the meeting regarding the placement of the item on a future agenda.

Councilor Benny Martinez requested an item to reconsider the property tax rate. Councilor Rey Orozco seconded the motion as required by City Charter.

Councilor Josh Stevens requested an Executive Session to discuss the possibility of repealing Ordinance No. 2023-15 setting the property tax rate. City Attorney Nichole Warren said she would look into this.

11. Adjournment

Mayor Riley announced that the meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM

These minutes approved by the Leon Valley City Council on the 20th of June, 2023.

APPROVED

**CHRIS RILEY
MAYOR**

ATTEST: _____
**SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY**