



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM

City Hall – 520 East Ocean Blvd. Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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NOTICE OF SAID MEETING IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TITLE 5 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Flores called the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Alejandro Flores

Place 1 Alberto Escobedo arrived at 6:09 p.m.

Place 2 Juan Munoz

Place 3 Gabriela Fernandez

Place 5 Terry Vinson

ABSENT

Place 4 Luis Gonzalez

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Gabriela Fernandez gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. VISITORS REMARKS

To speak, you must sign in with the City Secretary prior to the meeting. You have a limit of 5 minutes to speak.

There were none.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the City Council. The item may subsequently be removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

Mayor Flores advised the council there were 11 consent agenda items and asked if there were any the council would like to pull for additional discussion. There were none.

1. Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting on January 14, 2025 and special council meeting January 21, 2025.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting on January 14, 2025 and special council meeting on January 21, 2025.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

2. Consideration and ACTION to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 564. An Ordinance providing for an amendment to Los Fresnos Code of Ordinance Chapter 34, Article I, in General, Section 34.1, Definitions, Article II, Collection and Disposal, section 34.21, Carts, 34.25, Collection Routes, 34.26 Holidays and 34.27, Complaints, repealing all Ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

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Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

3. Consideration and ACTION to approve the first reading of ordinance No. 565 to rezone the proposed Centaurus subdivision located at Espiritu Santo Grant Share 12 69.91 ACS out of 76.11 tr v-1 & trx-1 in the City of Los Fresnos, Texas from AG-Agricultural District to R-1 Single Family District for Block 1 through Block 8 and Block 9 to C-2 General Commercial District of the proposed Centaurus subdivision amending the official zoning map to reflect the new zoning; and providing an effective date for the implementation of this ordinance.

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Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

4. Consideration and Action to approve funding for Microsoft Office 365.

Motion was made and seconded to approve funding for Microsoft Office 365.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

5. Consideration and ACTION to approve the Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report ended as of December 31, 2024.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report ended as of December 31, 2024.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

6. Consideration and ACTION to update the Military Policy in the Employee Policy Manual.

Motion was made and seconded to update the Military Policy in the Employee Policy Manual.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

7. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Department of Public Safety for a Statewide Interoperable Channel Plan.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Department of Public Safety for a Statewide Interoperable Channel Plan.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

8. Consideration and ACTION to approve the Community Development Corporations action to fund the Los Fresnos Little League.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Community Development Corporations action to fund the Los Fresnos Little League.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

9. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Desi Delgado from the January 20, 2025 Planning & Zoning meeting.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Desi Delgado from the January 20, 2025 Planning & Zoning meeting.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

10. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Terry Vinson from the January 14, 2025 regular City Council meeting and the January 21, 2025 Special City Council meeting..

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Terry Vinson from the January 14, 2025 regular City Council meeting and the January 21, 2025 Special City Council meeting.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

11. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Juan Munoz from the January 14, 2025 regular City Council meeting.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Juan Munoz from the January 14, 2025 regular City Council meeting.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 5 Vinson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

E. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and ACTION to approve the final design plans and authorization to advertise invitations to bid for the CDV23-0338 Street Improvements Project funded by the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program (CDBG-DR) administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and take appropriate action.

Mr. Milum explained the grant funding and proposed project information. He answered questions from the council and discussed the proposed project.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the final design plans and authorization to advertise invitations to bid for the CDV23-0338 Street Improvements Project funded by the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program (CDBG-DR) administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and take appropriate action.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.
Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

2. Consideration and ACTION to approve change order number 3 for the 2021 Street, Sidewalk, and Sewer Improvements Project.

Mr. Milum explained the change order and thanked Hanson for their hard work in preparing and reviewing the paperwork. He recommended approval and answered questions for the council.

Council member Albert Escobedo arrived at 6:09 p.m.

Motion was made and seconded to approve change order number 3 for the 2021 Street, Sidewalk, and Sewer Improvements Project.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

3. Consideration and ACTION to approve the Los Fresnos Police Department 2024 Racial Profiling Report.

Mr. Milum reviewed the racial profiling report with the council. Mr. Milum and Chief Gonzalez answered questions for the council.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Los Fresnos Police Department 2024 Racial Profiling Report.

Motion made by Place 3 Fernandez, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

4. Consideration and ACTION to appoint a member to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Flores explained the Chairman of the Planning & Zoning mentioned to him the importance of having Juan Sierra back on the board. There was no questions or comments from the council.

Motion was made and seconded to appoint Juan Sierra to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion made by Mayor Flores, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

5. Discussion and review of annexation, disannexation and extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) procedures in the state of Texas.

Mr. Milum reviewed the de-annexation procedures and there were no questions from the council.

No action was taken.

F. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. City Manager Report
 - A. Wastewater Collection System & Upgrade
 - B. Water Treatment Plant Expansion
 - C. Street Project
 - D. Drainage

- E. Whipple Road
- F. COVID-19
- G. Veteran's Memorial
- H. Water Funding
- I. Wastewater Funding
- J. Senior Citizens Program

Mayor Flores asked Mr. Milum if there was anything he would like to report on. Mr. Milum gave the council an update on the Veterans Memorial and the Senior Citizen Program.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

G. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Milum explained he included information on Community Development Corporation and Planning & Zoning in the department reports as requested by the council during his evaluation. Mayor Flores thanked Mr. Milum for the information.

1. Financial Report 1. Monthly 2. Year to Date 3. Sales Tax

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Financial Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

2. Public Works Report 1. Water and Wastewater Activity 2. Calls for Service 3. Building Permits 4. Recycling 5. Waste Water Treatment Plant Discharge Monitoring Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Public Works Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

3. Police Department 1. Calls-By Type 2. Calls-By Date & Time 3. Incidents-By Violation 4. Arrests-By Type 5. Accidents-By Streets & Intersection December 2024 1. Magistrates 2. Index Crimes by Zone

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Police Department report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

4. Municipal Court 1. City Monthly Report- December 2024. Linebarger Monthly Report – December 2024

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Municipal Court Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

5. Library Report 1. Monthly Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Library Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

6. Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Fire Marshal's Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

7. Fire Department Report 1. Monthly Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Fire Department Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

8. Community Development Corporation 1. Minutes 2. CDC Consultant Report.

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Community Development Corporation report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

9. Planning & Zoning Commission Report 1. Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Planning & Zoning Report.

Motion made by Place 2 Munoz, Seconded by Place 3 Fernandez.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 5 Vinson

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Alejandro Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary