



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 08, 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 to order at 6:04 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Alejandro Flores

Place 1 Alberto Escobedo

Place 2 Juan Munoz

Place 3 Gabriela Fernandez

Place 4 Luis Gonzalez

Place 5 Terry Vinson

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Flores 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. PRESENTATION

1. CDV23-0338 Street Improvement Project Section 3 Presentation

Mr. Milum presented the CDV23-0338 Street Improvement Project Section 3 slides to the council and audience. There were no questions.

Council member Juan Munoz arrived at 6:04 p.m.

E. 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 asked the council if there were any consent agenda items they would like to discuss, there were none.

1. Consideration and ACTION to approve the minutes from March 11, 2025.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from March 11, 2025.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

2. Consideration and ACTION to approve a budget amendment.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a budget amendment.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

3. Consideration and ACTION to approve an amendment to the 2024-2027 Pest Control Service Agreement.

Motion was made and seconded to approve an amendment to the 2024-2027 Pest Control Service Agreement.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

4. Consideration and ACTION to approve an ordinance amending chapter 38-Subdivisions, Article III-Minimum Standards and Specifications, Sec. 38-79 Sewers, (J) Manholes, Sec. 38-80 Utility Lines, repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

5. Consideration and ACTION to approve Change Order Number 1 for the FM 1575 Sewer Forcemain Project.

Motion was made and seconded to approve Change Order Number 1 for the FM 1575 Sewer Forcemain Project.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

6. Consideration and ACTION to approve the action taken by the Los Fresnos Community Development Board to fund upgrades to the city pool.

Motion was and seconded to approve the action taken by the Los Fresnos Community Development Board to fund upgrades to the city pool.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

7. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Luis Gonzalez from the March 11, 2025 City Council meeting.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Luis Gonzalez from the March 11, 2025 City Council meeting.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

8. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Larry Meade from the March 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Larry Meade from the March 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

9. Consideration and ACTION to excuse the absence of Henry Bebon from the March 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Motion was made and seconded to excuse the absence of Henry Bebon from the March 17, 2025 Planning and Zoning meeting.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

10. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 1, 2025 as National Day of Prayer in Los Fresnos.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring May 1, 2025 as National Day of Prayer in Los Fresnos.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

11. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation for National Hurricane Preparedness' Week May 4-10, 2025.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation for National Hurricane Preparedness' Week May 4-10, 2025.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

12. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2025 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and declaring the week of May 11-17, 2025 as National Police Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2025 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and declaring the week of May 11-17, 2025 as National Police Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

13. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Public Works Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Public Works Week in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

14. Consideration and ACTION to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Emergency Medical Services in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a Proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Emergency Medical Services in the City of Los Fresnos.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

15. Consideration and ACTION to approve a resolution of the City of Los Fresnos supporting HB 4050 filed by State Representative Janie Lopez in support of a study by the Texas Department of Transportation to incorporate drainage in its planning process.

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Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

16. Consideration and ACTION to approve a resolution of the City of Los Fresnos supporting HB 4329 filed by State Representative Janie Lopez in support of a study by the Texas Water Development Board on the factors that affect the costs of developing drainage infrastructure.

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Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

17. Consideration and ACTION to approve a resolution of the City of Los Fresnos supporting HB 4331 filed by State Representative Janie Lopez in support of a study by the Texas Water Development Board to identify ways to streamline the environmental review process for flood infrastructure fund projects.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a resolution of the City of Los Fresnos supporting HB 4331 filed by State Representative Janie Lopez in support of a study by the Texas Water Development Board to identify ways to streamline the environmental review process for flood infrastructure fund projects.

Motion made by Place 5 Vinson, Seconded by Place 1 Escobedo.

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and ACTION to approve a resolution by the city council of the City of Los Fresnos to express support for a Multi-Purpose Arena to be constructed in Cameron County.

Mr. Milum explained the resolution was requested by county representatives and had been previously considered. Mr. Milum listed the pros and cons of the resolution. Council member Gabriela Fernandez arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Mr. Milum and council discussed the Multi-Purpose Arena.

Motion was made and seconded but failed due to lack of votes.

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

Voting Yea: Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez

Voting Nay: Mayor Flores, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

2. Consideration and ACTION to discontinue new wastewater service in areas outside the city limits of Los Fresnos.

Mr. Milum explained the city continues to have issues outside of the city limits where wastewater is provided during large rain events. Mr. Milum reviewed the issues that cause the wastewater lines not to operate properly. Additionally, due to large development the lift station

and lines are getting close to capacity and will be as the subdivisions build out. He answered questions from the council.

He recommended the city not approve additional wastewater connections outside the city limits but allowing individuals to appeal the decision to the Planning & Zoning Committee then the City Council.

Motion was made and seconded to reject additional wastewater connections outside the city limits of Los Fresnos and allow individuals to appeal the decision to the Planning & Zoning Committee then the City Council.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 2 Munoz, Place 3 Fernandez, Place 4 Gonzalez, Place 5 Vinson

3. Report and discussion on the rain event on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 through Thursday, March 28, 2025.

Mr. Milum presented drone footage of the city where flooding was an issue. He discussed the flooding and improvements that can be made for future major rainfall events with the council and answered their questions. Council Member Terry Vinson stepped out at 7:03 p.m.

There was no action taken.

G. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mayor Flores asked Mr. Milum if there was items he would like to address, he responded there were none all projects were the same as the last meeting or had no real changes.

Mayor Flores then asked the council if they had any questions. Council Member Juan Munoz asked Mr. Milum if there was a date set for the opening of the Veteran Memorial grand opening, Mr. Milum responded the date had not been set.

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
 - K. Boys & Girls Club Quarterly Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the City Manager's Report.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 4 Gonzalez

H. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mayor Flores asked if there were any questions or comments on the Department Reports, there were none.

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

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Financial Report.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 4 Gonzalez

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 4 Gonzalez

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 February 2025 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 4 Gonzalez

4. Municipal Court 1. City Monthly Report- Feb. 2025. Linebarger Monthly Report – Feb. 2025

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 4 Gonzalez

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 4 Gonzalez

6. Fire Marshal's Report 1. Monthly Report

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

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 4 Gonzalez

7. Fire Department 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 4 Gonzalez

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 4 Gonzalez

9. Planning & Zoning Commission Report 1. Minutes

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

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 4 Gonzalez

10. Los Fresnos Emergency Medical Services 2nd Quarter Report

Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the Los Fresnos Emergency Medical Services 2nd Quarter Report.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Flores, Place 1 Escobedo, Place 4 Gonzalez

I. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Flores adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Alejandro Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary