



**Ambulance Board Meeting
MISSION CITY HALL
October 15, 2024 at 3:00 pm**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Norie- Gonzalez Garza
Mike Perez- City Manager
David Flores, Asst. City Manager
Adrian Garcia- Fire Chief
Cesar Torres- Chief of Police
Marissa Gerlach- City Council
Ivan Melendez- Medical Director

ALSO PRESENT:

Rene Lopez Jr. - Board Member
Kane Dawson - Board Member
Alvin Patina- Board member
Tim Brown- Board Member
Patricia Rigney- City Attorney
Leopoldo Garza- Polo Garza- Civil Service Commission
Juanita Alvarez- EMS & CD Administrative Assistant
Jackie Guerrero- Administrative Specialist
Jorge Flores- Acting Deputy Chief
Patricia Rigney- City Attorney
Irma Caro- Mission PD

CITIZENS PRESENT:

Tammy Patina
Mike Silva

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

With a quorum being present, Board member Tim Brown called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Ivan Melendez was not initially present and arrived at 3:12 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

Board member Tim Brown led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF City Management/ Council Members:

Mayor Norie Gonzalez, Mike Perez, City Manager, Marissa Gerlach.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Jackie Guerrero and Juanita Alvarez from Mission Fire Department were present. Patricia Rigney, City attorney. Mr. Polo Garza from the civil service commission.

Emergicon Kassy High were present via Zoom.

PRESENTATIONS

Mission Fire Department Quarterly Report – Jorge Flores (Acting Deputy Chief)

- Numbers were presented for July1- September 30, 2024
- 3,375 transports brought in \$1.3 million.
- Cash for transport average of \$402. (every time the ambulance leaves the station we are guaranteed this amount cash in hand. A steady payer mix with a steady level of service.
- Chart corrections are minimal with great documentation. Mission is at the highest level from the state of Texas as per Kassy from Emergicon.
- Anything from Medicare and Medicaid is not collectible, it's across the board.
- The analytics in ESO reporting has not been found to separate the calls by zip code versus actual city limits. DC Flores will continue to search for a solution. Outliers need to be identified.
- Dr. Melendez advises to investigate any deviations above the mead.
- MFD is dramatically meeting the benchmark/ national standard response time.
 - 07:00 average response time, in 92 days out of 1,631 responses.
- Majority of the calls are transported to MRMC (first).
- Next highest transport destination is STHS McAllen
- Major trauma requires us to bypass MRMC and transport to STHS McAllen.
- Third is DHR Health
- RGRH is fourth.
- Dr. Melendez questions why we are giving the decision to transport to a further hospital if the circumstance is not life threatening. Tim Brown also agrees we should

transport to the nearest facility.

- o Identify need to have a policy based on where the patient needs to be transported.
 - o The general consensus from the committee is to go to the appropriate facility.
 - o Have a meeting to define what the "appropriate" is.
 - o Bring back and make recommendations for a decision to be made.
- 17% of calls are refusals.
- M1 & 2 average 30% of the calls.
- We are using mutual aid due to calls coming in stacked one on top of the other.
- Roughly 1% of calls are being given to mutual aid.
- Customer satisfaction survey and a tool to measure the quality.

Mission Police Department Presentation – Chief Torres

- 71% property crimes, theft and fraud crimes.
- Crimes against society were reduced to 40.32% crimes against person 30.25%. these calls are typically requiring ambulance response.
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Ambulance Permit Program - Update

- No established renewal fees.
- It is unclear if the ambulance has to be inspected.
- More information needs to be obtained in order to implement.
- Tim Brown makes a motion to table the ambulance permit program with a second by Rene Lopez.
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Citizen Participation

- Leopoldo Garza praises our EMS program.
- Mike Silva concerns about provide mutual aid to other entities outside our city limits.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Approval of minutes from July 17, 2024 board meeting Action Item
- Tim Brown makes a motion to approve the minutes. Rene Lopez makes a second motion.
- Discussion of the purchase of a new ambulance.
- Dr. Melendez advises us to start a well-structured transfer service.
- Tim Brown makes a motion that a city council moves forward to purchasing a new ambulance a second by Rene Lopez.

- CM Mike Perez agenda item for the next meeting with a plan on the shelf" for a transfer program.

Comments

Tim Brown compliments our level of service after having to call for EMS two times in the past months.

Alvin Patina states keep up the good work.

Rene Lopez states to look at making the transfer company a different department. Add the update to the agenda item for the next meeting to correct on the ordinance regarding city health officers. Mission PD has partnered with MRMC for blood draws upon refusals.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:46 p.m., Tim Brown moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Rene Lopez and approved unanimously.

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Mike Silva, Fire Chief

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Juanita G. Alvarez", is written over a horizontal line.

Juanita G. Alvarez

**Mission Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone
Board of Directors Special Meeting
January 23, 2025**

MINUTES

Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum

The Board of Directors of the Mission TIRZ #1, held a special meeting open to the public, by teleconference and in person, on January 23, 2025 at 801 N. Bryan Road, Mission, Texas and at 1:26 PM, the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board, to-wit:

Martin Garza, Chairman
Albert X. Chapa, Vice Chairman
Aissa I. Garza, Secretary
Efrain Reyna Jr.
Hector Moreno
Dennis Burleson
Andrew C. Riddle

All the above were present except Secretary Aissa I. Garza and Director Moreno. Participating in the Zoom teleconference were Vidal Roman, Cristian Garza, Sanjay Bapat, Armando Sandoval, Parm Lidhar. Participating in person were J.P. Terrazas, Councilwoman Marissa Gerlach, Orlando Navarro, Dr. Rolando Ortiz, Judy Vega, Joe Salazar, Damien Tijerina, Romeo Barrera, and Executive Director Teclo J. Garcia.

I. Consider Consent Agenda

- A. Call meeting to order and establish quorum.
- B. Swearing in of new Board Director and reappointed Board Director.
- C. Election of Officer: Secretary
- D. Approve minutes of meeting of December 10, 2024, of the TIRZ #1.
- E. Ratify all actions taken by the Mission Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors at the January 23, 2025 meeting.

Upon a motion duly made by Vice Chairman Albert X. Chapa and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda and ratified all actions taken by the Mission Redevelopment Board of Directors at the special meeting of January 23, 2025.

II. Adjournment

As there was no further business for the board to consider, upon a motion duly made by Director Burleson and seconded by Director Riddle, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:27 PM.

By: _____

Attest: _____

Printed Name: Martin Garza

Printed Name: Aissa I. Garza

Title: Chairman

Title: Secretary

Date: _____

Date: _____

**Mission Redevelopment Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
January 23, 2025**

MINUTES

Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum

The Board of Directors of the Mission Redevelopment Authority (MRA) held a regular meeting open to the public, by teleconference and in person, on January 23, 2025, at 12:00 PM, at 801 N. Bryan Road, Mission Texas, and the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board, to-wit:

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Aissa I. Garza, Secretary
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1. Call Meeting to Order at 12:06 PM.

Chairman Martin Garza opened the meeting with a welcome to all. Chairman Garza welcomed Councilwoman Marissa Gerlach for joining the meeting.

2. Swearing in of new Board Director and reappointed Board Director.

Notary Public Judy Vega swore in Appointed Board Director Andrew C. Riddle. Chairman Martin Garza welcomed Mr. Riddle to the Board. Mr. Riddle said he is a Mission resident and he and his wife have two children. A self-employed real estate and residential developer, Mr. Riddle is pleased to serve on this Board.

3. Election of Officer: Secretary.

Chairman Martin Garza noted that he recently conversed with Aissa I. Garza, who conveyed her wish to remain as Secretary of the Board. Chairman Garza then nominated Aissa I. Garza for the position. With no other nominations presented, Mr. Garza moved to elect Aissa I. Garza as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Albert Chapa and was approved unanimously.

4. Citizens' Participation: None.

5. Approve minutes: December 10, 2024 of the Mission Redevelopment Authority.

There being no corrections or additions, upon a motion made by Director Burleson and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes for December 10, 2024, of the Mission Redevelopment Authority.

6. Acceptance of Project Reports.

Chairman Martin Garza recognized Romeo Barrera, P.E., with Halff Associates to report on the **Hoerner Street Project**. Total engineering costs for this project are \$98,000. Mr. Barrera reported that Halff received 90% comments from the City of Mission and United Irrigation District (UID). UID has requested the inclusion of a proposed stub-out to serve Dr. Pechero's property on the west side of the project. All comments have been addressed, and Halff is preparing to submit the final 100% signed and sealed plans to the City of Mission next week. End of report.

Upon a motion made by Director Reyna and seconded by Director Burleson the Board unanimously accepted the **Hoerner Street Project** report as presented.

Chairman Martin Garza recognized Orlando Navarro with Killam Development to report on **El Milagro Phase I Project**. Mr. Navarro noted that this project is expected to be completed by mid-March 2025. The northwest residential area has been completed. The southeast area is being worked on with some adjustments and back-filling. Chairman Martin Garza noted that he'd like staff to schedule a tour of Killam Development's El Milagro perhaps the first or second week of February. Mr. Garcia said he will work with Dr. Rolando Ortiz and his staff to coordinate the tour. Vice Chairman Albert Chapa asked about the TIRZ reimbursement for this project. Financial Officer Joe Salazar said that the funding for this project was in place. A payment will be made once the project is complete and accepted by the City of Mission. Another question was asked related to the closings of the Los Indios railroad crossings. Dr. Ortiz mentioned that there are three crossings that have been identified by the City of Mission and discussions have been ongoing related to connectivity, safety, and which will be affected by the development. Assistant City Manager JP Terrazas mentioned that he has met with local residents regarding proposed railroad closures, discussing alternatives and traffic projections. He has also conducted his own meetings to ensure that affected residents are kept informed. The costs associated with the railroad crossing closures will be covered by Killam Development.

Upon a motion duly made by Vice Chair Albert Chapa and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously accepted **Killam Development's El Milagro Phase I** report as presented.

Chairman Martin Garza recognized Ruben James de Jesus with Melden & Hunt Inc. (M&H) to report on the **Tierra Dorada Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project**. This project involves the design to eliminate existing Lift Stations No. 13 and 14 within Tierra Dorada Subdivision and construct a new proposed lift station to reroute sewer discharge into existing sanitary sewer trunkline along Los Ebanos Road. Mr. de Jesus said that RDH Site & Concrete has completed the forcemain installation and has installed a segment of dewatering lines and pumps to begin the wet well and gravity line portion of the project. End of report.

Upon a motion made by Director Burleson and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously accepted the **Tierra Dorada Sanitary Improvements Project** as presented.

Mr. de Jesus reported on the **Inspiration Road Trunklines (Sanitary Sewer Master Plan)**. This project ties-in with the Tierra Dorada Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project. It involves the re-routing of Lift Station #10, located on Mile 2 & FM 495 to AGUA SUD lift station located on FM 364 by force main.

Discussions continue with Roberto Salinas, AGUA SUD's General Manager on how to establish the pass-through sewer rate. AGUA SUD's concerns are with electrical usage at their lift stations. Comparison of the established rates between the City of Mission and AGUA SUD will be compared to the electrical cost and depreciation of pumps at the three downstream lift stations. An alternative being contemplated is the use of an existing AGUA SUD easement. The alternative involves the installation of a gravity line parallel to the existing gravity line running to the Mission Waste Water Treatment Plant. Mr. de Jesus said that he met with a special AGUA SUD committee on December 20, 2024 to discuss water consumption on one lift station and a yearly maintenance fee. Lift Station #10 will be diverted to AGUA SUD's system, with two more running along the way. At this meeting Mr. de Jesus said they discussed water consumption for all three lift stations as well as maintenance fees. AGUA SUD is proposing 75 cents per 1,000 gallons while Mr. de Jesus's proposal is for 25 cents per 1,000 gallons. A follow-up meeting is being planned for early February on their decision. If accepted, then next is a draft of an agreement for AGUA SUD's approval. Asst. City Mgr. said this is the best cost-effective proposal since rerouting the line would be costly. An agreement is usually between 10 to 15 years out, but he is recommending 15. Mr. de Jesus said he will present a calculation on the proposed rate at the next Board meeting for the Board's review.

Mr. Terrazas and Ruben James de Jesus were informed that AGUA SUD's Board will be meeting late this month to discuss how they're going to be entertaining the electricity consumption and charges.

Upon a motion made by Director Reyna and seconded by Director Burleson, the Board unanimously accepted the **Inspiration Road Trunklines (Sanitary Sewer Master Plan)** report as presented.

Mr. de Jesus provided an update on the **Walsh Road Expansion Project**, which includes the design and surveying needed to extend the road from Perez St. to Frontage Rd., covering approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile. He noted that Melden & Hunt is currently working on a preliminary design, which is now about 60% complete. The project is set to feature a 60-foot right-of-way (ROW) with a 36-foot back-to-back curb section. An appraisal has been completed for the additional ROW that needs to be acquired. A meeting took place on October 18, 2024, with landowner Jaime Flores, who indicated interest in negotiating a fee for the acquisition of roughly 2.19 acres of his property. Although an appraisal valued the land at \$306,000, the property owner is requesting \$360,000. Mr. de Jesus also mentioned that TxDOT requires a portion of the ROW easement, meaning that the remaining acreage will not be beneficial to the property owner. Initially, Mr. de Jesus budgeted approximately \$425,000 for ROW acquisition when the project estimates were prepared. He intends to continue negotiations with Mr. Flores and aims to present

the outcome to the Board next month. Chairman Garza requested that an agenda item is placed on next month's agenda for discussion in executive session. End of report.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Albert Chapa and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously accepted the **Walsh Road Expansion Project Report** as presented.

Chairman Martin Garza recognized Damien Tijerina, P.E., with L&G Engineering to report on the **Inspiration Rd./Military Parkway Loop Ph. II and III Projects**. Mr. Tijerina reported that **Phase II** is the design portion of this project and stated that this project has been broken into two projects, Inspiration Road and Military Parkway. In consultation with the City of Mission, the new ending point will be at the north side of the Veterans Cemetery property. Sidewalks will be constructed through the cemetery area and the existing roadway will be overlaid. L&G has started reviewing TxDOT's comments and is updating the plan set accordingly. Division of the Project Limits: The MPO has split the project into two separate projects: Inspiration Rd. (CSJ: 0921-02-395) and Military Parkway (CSJ: 0921-02-540). Both sections will remain in FY 2027 for bid letting. The Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) between the City and TxDOT will need to be amended. The City is working with TxDOT to amend the current AFA for the Inspiration Rd. and to create a new AFA for the Military Parkway project.

Phase III of this project consists of a re-evaluation of an environmental assessment, done in November 2024; hydrologic model update, completed and approved in August 2024; and ROW acquisition, which began in September 2024 (Section I). In his report Mr. Tijerina said that 23.1% of this project has been completed. Letters to affected property owners have been sent and they have been given 15 days to respond, but only one positive response from one property owner has been received. L&G is finalizing the re-evaluation document and will be submitting it to TxDOT by the end of January 2024. ROW for Inspiration Road has a total of 22 parcels and seven easements. Twelve of which are in negotiations, one is closing, six are being appraised, and three are in eminent domain. Military Highway has 25 parcels, but ROW acquisition is on hold.

Upon a motion made by Director Reyna and being seconded by Director Burleson, the Board unanimously accepted the **Inspiration Road/Military Parkway Loop for Phase II and III** as presented.

Chairman Martin Garza recognized Assistant City Manager J.P. Terrazas to give an update on the **Glasscock & Bryan Road Project Sanitary Sewer Improvements**. Mr. Terrazas explained that this project encompasses the area from Shary Road to Bryan Road along the Frontage Road, where the city has been facing serious drainage issues. Melden & Hunt finalized the plans in 60 days and bid solicitations will be published this weekend in The Monitor. Bids should be submitted over the course of 14 days. The project is expected to be completed within 18 months.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Albert Chapa and being seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously accepted the **Glasscock & Bryan Road Project Sanitary Sewer Improvements** as presented.

At **12:50 PM**, Chairman Martin Garza announced that the Mission Redevelopment Authority Board would be convening in closed session. Director Reyna moved to convene in executive session. Motion was seconded by Director Burleson and approved unanimously.

7. Executive Session Pursuant to V.T.C.A. Gov't Code Sections 551.071, Section 551.072 and Section 551.087.

Consultation with Attorney regarding:

- A. Deliberation regarding real property.**
- B. Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations or projects including, but not limited to the following: Report from Exec. Director as to potential project(s).**

The Mission Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors will reconvene in open session to take any actions necessary.

At **1:01 PM**, Chairman Martin Garza announced that the Mission Redevelopment Authority Board would be convening in open session. Vice Chairman Albert Chapa moved to convene in executive session. Motion was seconded by Director Reyna and approved unanimously.

No action was taken.

8. Discussion and possible action for approval of a Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Mission and Mission Redevelopment Authority related to the Taylor Road Project.

Executive Director Teclo J. Garcia opened the discussion by stating that this project necessitates Right-of-Way (ROW) for Phase II of the Taylor Road expansion. Assistant City Manager J.P. Terrazas noted that 68 out of 71 ROW parcels have already been acquired, stretching from US Business 83 to Mile 2.

The remaining parcels involve irrigation easements adjacent to the roadway. An initial estimate of \$2 million has been proposed, but negotiations are ongoing to settle at \$1.5 million. This project is a joint effort with the City of McAllen, with costs shared equally.

Mr. Terrazas clarified that Parcel 68 is located at Mile 2 and Inspiration Road, while Parcel 69 is a business situated at the northeast corner of Mile 2 and Taylor Road, which consists of two sections owned by Adobe Wells – specifically, the land east of Taylor and north of Mile 2. He noted that while the appraised value of the parcels is relatively low, the improvements are significant, leading him to believe the total will not exceed \$1.5 million.

The Reimbursement Agreement currently states \$1.6 million but will be amended to reflect \$1.5 million. Mr. Garcia explained that the \$1.6 million figure corresponds to the remaining funds from the Authority's 2017 Bond issue, which will finance this project. Legal counsel for the Authority, Sanjay Bapat, mentioned that once these funds are utilized, the 2017 Bond Series will be settled. Mr. Garcia added that even though this project is not located within the TIRZ Zone, it will enhance that area, making the expenses permissible.

Subject to the modification of the Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Mission and the Authority to adjust the project improvements amount from \$1.6 million to \$1.5 million, the Board unanimously approved the Reimbursement Agreement concerning the Taylor Road Project, with the understanding that while Taylor Road is outside the TIRZ Zone, it will still benefit the area, thus making the expenses allowable.

9. Discussion and possible action for approval of Amendment to the Authority's FY 2025 Budget related to the Taylor Road Project.

Financial Officer Joe Salazar clarified that this budget amendment is essentially a reclassification of the budget, and the amount remains unspecified because it has not yet been finalized. Initially, the \$1.6 million available funds from the 2017 Bond Series was earmarked for a proposed project known as the Salt Water Plant, which was never presented to the Board for approval. However, with Board's consent, these funds can now be redirected to the Taylor Road Project, which relates directly to the previous agenda item discussion about the \$1.5 million for the project.

Upon a motion duly made by Vice Chairman Albert Chapa and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously approved the Amendment to the Authority's FY 2025 Budget related to the Taylor Road Project in the amount of \$1.5 million.

10. Discussion and possible action for the acceptance of General Fund, Capital Fund, and Debt Service Investment Reports for quarter ending December 31, 2024.

Financial Officer Joe Salazar presented the quarterly report of investments for all three funds ending December 31, 2024. Mr. Salazar reported that General Fund's ending market value in CD's with Multi-Bank Securities is \$737,515.02 with a net change of \$2,741.67. Another investment the Authority participates in is with TexPool where an increase in net changes this quarter was reported at \$29,974.94, so the ending market value is \$2,193,841.25.

Mr. Salazar moved on to report on the Capital Projects Fund's investment report and noted that these investments are with the 2023 Bond Series and the ending market value was \$495,783.02 and said that it was a drastic change due to three maturities this quarter that amounted to \$7,602,079.05, leaving a net change in the portfolio of -\$47,263.70. Therefore, ending market value for this quarter was \$25,851.69.

On the Debt Service Fund, Mr. Salazar reported an ending market value of \$2,996,492.77.

There being no corrections or additions, upon a motion duly made by Director Reyna and seconded by Vice Chairman Albert Chapa, the Board unanimously accepted the General Fund, Capital Fund, and Debt Service Investment Reports for quarter ending December 31, 2024 as presented.

11. Acceptance of Unadjusted Financial Report for December 2024.

Financial Officer Joe Salazar presented the unaudited Financial Report for December 2024.

There being no corrections or additions, upon a motion duly made by Director Reyna and seconded by Director Burleson, the Board unanimously accepted the Unaudited Financial Report for December 2024.

12. Approval of invoices for January 2025.

Mr. Salazar presented the invoices for January 2025 and called attention to an invoice for the Dragonfly 6265 LLC Project, submitted by Developer Dolly Elizondo. The project has been completed and this is the final pay out in the amount of \$76,225.00.

13. Adjournment.

As there was no further business to discuss, upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Chapa and seconded by Director Reyna, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 PM.

By: _____

Attest: _____

Printed Name: Martin Garza

Printed Name: Aissa I. Garza

Title: Chairman

Title: Secretary

Date: _____

Date: _____

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
MISSION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
JANUARY 22, 2025 4:00 PM
CENTER FOR EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

PRESENT:

Richard Hernandez, President
Deborah L. Cordova, Vice President
Estella Saenz Secretary
Julian Alvarez, Treasurer
Jose G. Vargas
Carl Davis
Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Eugene Vaughan, JGKL LLP
Bobby Villarreal, Estrada Hinojosa Investment
Bankers
Mark Hanna, Hanna Solutions
Alma Santos, Progress Times

STAFF PRESENT:

Teclo J. Garcia, CEO
Belen Guerrero, COO
Judy Vega, Executive Assistant
Joe Salazar, Financial Officer
Stephanie Mendiola, Director of Business
Development
Mike Perez, City Manager
Andy Garcia, Asst. City Manager
Naxiely Lopez-Puente, Director of
Communications & External Affairs
Brianna Casares, Manager of Marketing &
Programs

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

After establishing a quorum of the Board of Directors, Presiding Officer Richard Hernandez called the special meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

2. Invocation: Carl Davis.

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Julian Alvarez.

4. Swearing in of appointed Board Directors.

Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza swore in Board Directors: Richard Hernandez, Jose G. Vargas, Deborah L. Cordova, Estella Saenz, Carl Davis, and Julian Alvarez.

5. Election of Officers:

Presiding Officer Richard Hernandez called for nominations from the Board for officer positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza nominated Richard Hernandez for President, Deborah L. Cordova for Vice President, Estella Saenz for Secretary, and Julian Alvarez for Treasurer. Presiding Officer Richard Hernandez called for any other nominations from the Board. No other nominations were made, and everyone nominated accepted the positions.

There being no other nominations, Carl Davis moved to elect Richard Hernandez, President, Deborah L. Cordova, Vice President; Estella Saenz, Secretary; and Julian Alvarez, Treasurer. Motion was seconded by Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza and approved 7-0.

6. Citizens' Participation: None.

7. Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of December 11, 2024

Two corrections were noted by President Richard Hernandez: Item 7, Julian Alvarez's title is Executive Vice President and not President of Lone Star National Bank; and on Item 8, the engagement with CPAs Burton McCumber Longoria is for a three-year engagement.

Subject to the corrections, Carl Davis moved for approval of the Special Meeting minutes of December 11, 2024. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Julian Alvarez and approved 7-0.

8. Deliberation and possible action for acceptance of Unadjusted Financial Statement for December 2024.

Financial Officer Joe Salazar presented the Unadjusted Financial Statement for December 2024. A question was asked related to the Reserve Fund Balance for Debt Service amount on page 18 (\$1,540,616) and the Reserve Fund Balance for Debt Service amount on page 19 (\$1,541,615.87) of the meeting packet and as to why the entries did not match. Mr. Salazar said that the \$1,000 difference was due to a liability amount on page 17, but he will verify it.

There being no corrections or additions, Treasurer Julian Alvarez moved for approval. Motion was seconded by Secretary Estella Saenz and approved 7-0.

9. Deliberation & possible action for acceptance of Quarterly Report of Investments for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund, for Quarter ending December 31, 2024 and Interest Earned for Three Months Ending December 31, 2024.

Financial Officer Joe Salazar presented the Unadjusted Financial Statement for December 2024.

There being no corrections or additions, Jose G. Vargas moved for acceptance of the Quarterly Report of Investments for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund, for Quarter ending December 31, 2024 and Interest Earned for Three Months Ending December 31, 2024. Motion was seconded by Vice President Deborah L. Cordova and approved 7-0.

10. Deliberation and possible action for the naming of Investment Officer: Belen Guerrero.

On December 6, 2024, COO Belen Guerrero successfully completed TML's Public Funds Investment Act training and earned the necessary credentials. Mr. Garcia request that she be

named as an additional MEDC Investment Officer, joining Joe Salazar, who serves as both our Financial Officer and an Investment Officer.

Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza moved to name Belen Guerrero as Investment Officer. Motion was seconded by Carl Davis and approved 7-0.

11. Discussion and possible action related to the approval of a vehicle purchase to be used for Mission EDC business.

COO Belen Guerrero provided a recap from a previous Board meeting where an agenda item was presented regarding the authorization to lease a vehicle. However, during this meeting, the Board reached a consensus to purchase a vehicle instead of leasing one. She is now seeking Board approval to acquire a vehicle for Mission EDC business, with a budget not to exceed \$92,000 for a Chevrolet Suburban. Although the vehicle is currently out of stock, the plan is to proceed with the purchase as soon as it becomes available, within the specified amount.

Carl Davis moved for approval of a vehicle purchase in an amount not to exceed \$92,000 to be used for Mission EDC business. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Julian Alvarez and approved 7-0.

12. Presentation from Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers concerning the finance plan for the issuance of Revenue Bonds.

CEO Teclo J. Garcia announced that the Mission EDC is exploring an initiative involving the use of \$10 million in bond funds for various upcoming projects. He introduced Financial Advisor Bobby Villarreal with Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers who was tasked with presenting the financial plan for the issuance of Revenue Bonds.

During his presentation, Mr. Villarreal outlined MEDC's outstanding debts with BBVA and Frost Bank, which together total approximately \$7 million. He noted that the debt with BBVA, incurred in 2018, has an interest rate of about 4.8%, while the 2016 debt to Frost Bank stands at 7% (from a 2.85% initial rate). Secretary Estella Saenz pointed out that PNC Bank has taken over from BBVA Bank and requested an update to reflect that the note is now with PNC Bank.

Mr. Villarreal explained the annual debt service for BBVA/PNC is around \$600,000, while the debt service for Frost Bank is \$544,000 this year. Both of these amounts are expected to decrease over time. He also mentioned that he and the MEDC staff are considering a \$10.3 million sales tax revenue bond, which would allocate approximately \$7.3 million for various projects and about \$2.3 million to pay off Frost Bank's debt.

He emphasized that the projections discussed should be adjusted based on market values at the time of the Board's next presentation, depending on the decisions made today. Since the bond is taxable, the annual percentage rate (APR) may increase to 6%, compared to a potential 4.3% for tax-exempt bonds, a rate he successfully negotiated for another city.

Once the Board grants authorization, Mr. Villarreal plans to send out requests for bids to various banks. He will await any questions they may have and expects to receive the bids by February 24, 2025, allowing him time to present the proposals to the Board at their next Board

meeting on February 26, 2025.

President Richard Hernandez mentioned that there had been discussion about moving the MEDC Board meetings to the third Wednesday of each month; therefore, the meeting in February would be on February 19, 2024. However, since that date conflicts with Mission Day at the Capital February 18-19, 2025, the MEDC Board meeting is rescheduled to February 26, 2025. No action was taken.

13. Discussion and possible action to authorize the CEO to commence the process of the issuance of Revenue Bonds in accordance with the provisions of Texas Local Government Code Chapter 501, Subchapter E, and Texas Local Government Code Chapter 505, Subchapter C.

In light of the presentation presented in Item 12, Treasurer Julian Alvarez moved to authorize the CEO to commence the process of the issuance of Revenue Bonds in accordance with the provisions of Texas Local Government Code Chapter 501, Subchapter E, and Texas Local Government Code Chapter 505, Subchapter C. Motion was seconded by Carl Davis and approved 7-0.

At 4:44 PM, President Richard Hernandez announced that the Mission EDC would be convening in closed session.

**14. Closed Session Pursuant to V.T.C.A. Gov. Code Sec. 551.001
Deliberation and possible action regarding economic development negotiations or prospects (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Sec. 551.087), including, but not limited to the following: Report from CEO as to potential prospect(s):**

- A. Project Orange
- B. Project ATL
- C. Project Noodle
- D. Project Aloe

Deliberation and possible action regarding real property (as permitted under Tex. Gov't Code Sec. 551.072), including, but not limited to the following:

- A. M.E.D.C. Land
- B. Project Austin

Consultation with Attorney and possible action (as permitted under Texas Government Code Section 551.071).

- A. Project Austin
- B. MOU with City of Mission
- C. Lot 6A, M.E.D.C. Subdivision
- D. Perkins Lots Update

The Mission Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors will reconvene in open session to take any actions necessary.

Vice President Deborah L. Cordova and Treasurer Julian Alvarez exited the meeting at 5:05 PM.

At **5:40 PM**, President Richard Hernandez announced that the Mission Economic Development Board of Directors were reconvening in open session.

Vice President Deborah L. Cordova and Treasurer Julian Alvarez joined the meeting at 5:40 PM.

Motions:

Regarding economic development negotiations:

Project Orange: No action.

Project ATL: No action

Project Noodle: No action.

Project Aloe: Jose G. Vargas moved to approve the Letter of Intent for Project Aloe that was presented in closed session, subject to review by legal counsel for Mission EDC. Motion was seconded by Vice President Deborah L. Cordova and approved 7-0.

Regarding real property:

M.E.D.C. Land: Secretary Estella Saenz moved to accept an assignment of a Real Estate Contract to Mission EDC and to authorize CEO to execute such assignment and execute closing documents as discussed in closed session. Motion was seconded by Carl Davis and approved 7-0.

Project Austin: No action.

Consultation with Attorney:

Project Austin: No action.

MOU with City of Mission: Carl Davis moved to authorize the CEO to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Mission and to execute applicable real estate closing documents flowing from that MOU as discussed in closed session. Motion was seconded by Secretary Estella Saenz and approved 5-0, with two abstentions from Vice President Deborah L. Cordova and Treasurer Julian Alvarez.

Lot 6A, MEDC Land: No action.

Perkins Lots Update: No action.

15. CEO Report on Economic Development:

A. Business Survey – CEO Tecló J. Garcia mentioned that he had tasked staff with driving around the City of Mission to tally all businesses encountered. The team split into pairs and spent several hours gathering this information. Mr. Garcia noted that not every business could be accounted for due to time limitations, but the staff returned with data from various area corridors, including Conway Ave., Business 83/FM 495, Bryan Road, Los Ebanos Road, Mayberry Road, Shary Road, and Expressway Hwy. 83. The businesses were categorized as Commercial (925), Retail (543), and Industrial (53). This initiative served as a valuable opportunity for staff to familiarize themselves with the local business landscape.

B. Ruby Red Winners – Mr. Garcia expressed his gratitude to the Ruby Red Ventures Program Committee members, including Chair Jose G. Vargas, Estella Saenz, Deborah Cordova, and Financial Officer Joe Salazar and Brianna Casares, Manager of Programs & Marketing, for their involvement in the recent applicant evaluation meeting for Ruby Red Ventures. He invited Ms. Casares to provide a brief report on the meeting. Ms. Casares noted that this year, 16 out of 90 businesses were selected for awards, an increase from last year's 15, and expressed appreciation for Texas Regional Bank's sponsorship of the prizes. The recipients include businesses in sectors such as restaurants, marketing, and technology. She highlighted two notable businesses: a beef jerky manufacturing company and Yum Yum's Restaurant, a well-known establishment in Mission. The awards will be presented at a ceremony on February 7, 2024 at CEED.

Mr. Garcia also mentioned the RGV Legislative Tour scheduled for January 23, 2024 at CEED, organized by the RGV Partnership. Sixteen legislators and their staff will be present for a panel discussion focused on water resources. Following the discussion, a reception will take place outside CEED. Showcasing some of their products and services will be Ana Liz Taqueria (providing the catering), 5x5 Brewery, Jitterz Coffee, RGV Healthy Vending, Dip It, and Loretto Bistro. The RGV Legislative tour will span three days and will include visits to various counties.

16. President Comments.

President Richard Hernandez expressed his gratitude to the MEDC Team for their work as well as the MEDC Board for their time and dedication to the organization. He mentioned that he had recently returned from President Donald Trump's Inauguration and encouraged everyone to visit Washington DC at some point, highlighting it as a beautiful city. He praised the city's metro system, noting that he felt safe while navigating it. Additionally, President Hernandez observed a diverse crowd of people from across the country and remarked about the impressive security presence during the event. He noted that President Trump had declared a "golden age" and with the Board's permission, he wanted to make a similar declaration as the President of the MEDC.

Jose G. Vargas left the meeting at 5:46 PM.

17. Adjournment.

Carl Davis moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Secretary Estella Saenz and approved 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Richard Hernandez, President

ATTEST

Estella Saenz, Secretary

**MINUTES FOR THE
MISSION CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
February 11, 2025**

Commission-Present

Polo Garza-Chairman

Jerry Saenz-Vice-Chair-A

Guillermo Delgadillo-Member

Staff Present

Jesse Lerma Jr-CS Director

Noemi Munguia-HR Director

Mike Silva-Fire Chief

Call to Order

Mr. Polo Garza called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Garza led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes-December 20, 2024

Mr. Lerma submitted the minutes for review. After a brief discussion, Mr. Delgadillo made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Garza seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Mission Fire Department DC'S Promotional Examination Scores and the Creation of a New Eligibility List

Mr. Lerma advised the Commission that they had conducted the promotional examination for the Mission Fire Department on December 12, 2024. He advised them two (2) individuals participated and both failed. After a brief discussion, Mr. Delgadillo made a motion to approve the scores and to start the process for a 2nd exam. Mr. Garza seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Mission Fire Department Examination Schedule for DC (2nd Attempt)

Mr. Lerma advised the Commission that they were recommending the following schedule for approval:

1. Post Resource List-February 11, 2025
2. 30 Day Notice-February 14, 2025
3. Last day to Submit MOI-March 13, 2025
4. Date of Examination-March 20, 2025

After a brief discussion, Mr. Delgadillo made a motion to approve the schedule as presented. Mr. Garza seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Mission Fire Department Examination List for DC (2nd Attempt)

Mr. Lerma advised the Commission that they were recommending the following sources for approval:

1. Management in the Fire Service, 5th Edition
2. Leadership Challenge, 6th Edition
3. Chief Officer, 3rd Edition

After a brief discussion, Mr. Delgadillo made a motion to approve the sources as presented. Mr. Garza seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Pending Business

Mr. Lerma advised the Commission of the pending retirement of Mr. Jerry Saenz

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

SHARY GOLF ADVISORY BOARD

February 5th, 2025

MINUTES

- **Call To Order**
 - Mr. Isaac Martinez called the meeting to order.
- **Roll Call**
 - The following board members were present: Isaac Martinez, Ben Lau, Toby Garza, Joe Salinas, Javi Barrera (late), Thomas Lee, Martin Flores.
 - The following board members were absent: N/A
 - The following staff members and others were present: Michael Fernuik, Golf Director, Efrain Gutierrez, Course Superintendent, Andy Garcia, ACM, MEDC Board Member Carl Davis
- **Citizen's Participation**
 - Near by neighborhood residents including Luis Dovalina, Logan Dovalina and Dominique Villarreal represented the area of Shary Heights and Conway Gardens regarding the lighting of holes 19 to 27. They are all in favor of golf course improvements, however vehemently against the use of flood lights to light the course at night. A petition list of signatures against the use of flood lights was presented. Issues stated where they (lights) stay on all night, light shines in bedrooms. They were told the light layout is still being put together, and their concerns will be forwarded on to council, plus for them to pay attention to future city council agendas and call the city secretary when the agenda item does come up so they can voice their concerns.
- **Approval of Minutes**
 - The minutes from January 8th, 2025 were approved as written. Motion made to accept Tom Lee, seconded Joe Salinas, approved unanimously.
- **Golf Director's Report**
 - Revenue & Expenditure Comparison from the last two fiscal years was presented. No discussion or questions were brought forth.
 - Revenue Report for months of October, November, December 2024 was presented. Each month was discussed comparing it to prior year month. The total first quarter revenue numbers were \$370,033.42 vs \$277,876.62 showing revenue increase of \$92,156.81 from prior year. January's numbers could take a hit due to the change of weather that we experienced.
 - Update on Water Well & Maintenance Building
Water Well request for proposals went out with the proposals due to City Hall on February 12th at 2:00 pm. Maintenance building is complete but not ready to be occupied. Parts and material now need to be ordered and installed to have electric available. A purchase order request has been placed for the needed items. Electric will be done in house and plumbing will come at a later date.
There was no discussion on Holes 19 to 27 under the Golf Director's Report.
- **Approval of Recommendation to City Council to Pursue a Greens Improvement and Lighting Project for Holes 19 to 27 at Shary Golf Course.**
 - A layout of the renovation was presented and discussed. Items included were length of holes, along with the new green, and tee box construction. Further discussion came about with the lighting proposal and it's four(4) options of financing. Director Fernuik lastly brought up a rough estimate of the total "short course" renovation project supplied to him by VM Golf Services after their site visit. Board member Lee asked if there was a conceptual drawing for the lights, was given a affirmative response. The drawings are in the hands of the electric contractor so they can give a firm estimate including the number of poles needed and wiring. Other discussion topics included if the current driving range lights being operational, what type of lights were going to be installed on the short course, possibility of a fence between the properties and the breakdown of the "rough" estimate. ACM Garcia went on to say the City was not going in on this alone and the MEDC was very active. President Martinez made the motion for "approval of recommendation to City council to pursue a greens improvement and light project for holes 19 to 27 laid out by VM Golf Services with the addition for management to take to council the public concerns" . Second by Martin Flores and passed unanimously.

- **New Business**

Mr. Martinez asked if anyone had questions for Superintendent Gutierrez. Board Member Flores asked what the plan was for the greens this spring. Superintendent Gutierrez gave him the plan and Director Fernuik elaborated more on the timing and specifics of the green re sod. Board Member Flores additionally brought up the possibility of Director Fernuik being able to attend the annual PGA Show in Orlando, Florida. He believes this is very important for the continued growth of Director Fernuik. There is a possibility that because of Fernuik's PGA membership he would be allowed to take willing board members on the trip.

Board Member Toby Garza asked how long each nine would be closed after the re sod. Focus needs to be on greens and tees. The time does include the needed prep work before the sod is laid down so that needs to be figured in.

Timing of green aerification was also discussed along with the fairway aerification.

Board member Joe Salinas brought up the possibility of a blinking light for the crosswalk on Mayberry for holes 1 and 2, 16 and 17. ACM Garcia will talk with other departments to explore options.

- **Chairman's Comments**

Mr. Martinez thinks its an exciting time for the golf course and looks forward to seeing the full potential Shary Golf Course can produce along with the City of Mission's help.

- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

SHARY GOLF ADVISORY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

February 21ST, 2025

MINUTES

- **Call To Order**
 - Mr. Isaac Martinez called the meeting to order.
- **Roll Call**
 - The following board members were present: Isaac Martinez, Toby Garza, Joe Salinas, Javi Barrera, Thomas Lee, Martin Flores (late)
 - The following board members were absent: Ben Lau
 - The following staff members and others were present: Michael Fernuik, Golf Director, Andy Garcia, ACM, MEDC Board Member Carl Davis, Musco Lighting Representative Nathan Willig.
 - Area neighborhood residents present: Iris Dovalina, Logan Dovalina, Luis Dovalina and Richard Sanchez
- **Discussion on Lighting Project for Holes 19 to 27**
 - President Martinez introduced the Musco Representative Nathan Willig who gave a brief background of himself and Musco. Another notable project in the City of Mission is the lighting of Tom Landry Stadium that MUSCO helped develop. Nathan showed the design of the lighting fixture and its ability to direct light down and not broadcast. He discussed various other features that the MUSCO lighting fixtures have along with a power point presentation of other golf course lighting projects all around the world. Luis Dovalina's major concern was the possibility of the lights being on all night. Board Member Lee demonstrated how the app and turning off and, on the lights, occur to answer Luis Dovalina's concern. Fernuik further mentioned it was going to be regimented as we don't want people staying out there any longer than they have paid for. Luis Dovalina again mentioned they are highly supportive of the golf course and want to see it succeed and not wanting the light shining into their bedrooms. Operating times were discussed and it was understood that depending on the time of year that will determine how late the lights stay on as well as when the last tee time finishes their 9 holes. Luis Dovalina again reiterated their support for the project and just as long as the time is regimented and they don't stay on all night there is no problem based off what he has seen today. Discussion went on about putting green lights and driving range lights staying on all night. Staff mentioned they will survey the situation and check to make sure they are turning off. MUSCO representative Nathan went on to say their goal is to make everyone happy and for the nearby residents to not notice the lights unless they go outside. Conversation went on regarding greenery, usage for the kids, trees, course history, and keeping the golf course a golf course. Staff concluded the meeting by mentioning that the lighting was only one part of a two-part project with the other renovating 19 thru 27 then thanked the nearby residents for their input and support of the project..
- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Minutes
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 29, 2024 12:00 Noon
Mission Police Department – Conference Room
1200 E. 8th Street
Mission, Texas 78572

MEMBERS PRESENT

Francisco Rivera
Brandon Lau
Francisco Rivera
Luis Moreno
Luis Dovalina

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rodolfo Trevino
Humberto Garza
German Reyna
Luis Enrique Lopez

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Cesar Torres
Asst. Ted Rodriguez
Officer Abraham Sanchez
Maribel Castellanos
Abel Bocanegra
Edgar Gonzalez
Cpl. Luis Gutierrez

GUESTS PRESENT

Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza
Brenda Cushman

Call To Order

With a quorum being present, Assistant Chief Ted Rodriguez called the Regular Meeting to order at 12:11 p.m.

Invocation

Assistant Chief Ted Rodriguez led the Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Torres led the pledge of allegiance.

Citizens' Participation

Assistant Chief Ted Rodriguez asked if there was any citizen's participation.

There was none.

Approval of Minutes for Tuesday, June 18, 2024

Assistant Ted Rodriguez asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Mr. Luis Moreno moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Francisco Rivera seconded the motion. Upon a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Item 1.1 Discussion on the placing of speed humps on Woodcrest Estates between N. Taylor Road and Norma Drive.

Mrs. Brenda Cushman begins by explaining that her whole neighborhood had gotten together to request speed humps. She also stated that she has video of people speeding on the street and it has become a problem in her neighborhood, she has filed several police reports and doesn't find a solution to the problem. Assistant Ted Rodriguez asked her how



**KEEP MISSION
BEAUTIFUL BEAUTIFICATION
COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2025
at 4:30 PM**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mario Cantu
Toni Chapa
Louie Ortega
Logan Dovalina

ABSENT:

Lucille Cavazos
Cesar Aguilar
Lisa Salinas

STAFF PRESENT:

Anais Chapa, Assistant City Secretary
Roel Mendiola, Sanitation Director
Pete Lopez, Parks & Recreation Director

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

With a quorum being present, Anais Chapa, Assistant City Secretary, called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 10-08/2024

Members took a few minutes to review the minutes from the meeting held on October 8, 2024. Mr. Louie Ortega moved to approve the minutes with the correction of the date. Motion was seconded by Mr. Logan Dovalina and approved unanimously 4-0.

A. Introduction of Youth Texan Ambassador, Yosef Herrera.

Mr. Herrera was unable to attend the meeting.

B. Discussion and action on choosing an eligible project in order to apply for the Texas Recycles Day Grant through Keep Texas Beautiful.

The Texas Recycles Day Grant focuses on recycling education and outreach within our community. The grant award could be up to \$15,000 per applicant. Several ideas were discussed: a recycling mascot,

Mr. Ortega moved to complete this project on September 21, 2024 (tentatively and weather permitting). Motion was seconded by Mr. Cesar Aguilar and approved unanimously 5-0.

C. Discussion and action to set up an event to align with Keep Texas Beautiful's Fall Sweep Program.

For the "Fall Sweep" program, we usually have our "Round-Up" event. This is where the citizens can drive up to drop off their unwanted bulky items such as furniture, mattresses, appliances and tires. We usually have the event in October or November. Mr. Mendiola suggested to have it some time in November closer to the end of Hurricane Season. The Fall

Sweep program ends on November 24th. It was suggested that we hold the Fall Sweep Round up on Saturday, November 16th.

Ms. Cavazos moved to have the Fall Sweep Round Up event on Saturday, November 16th. Motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Trevino and approved unanimously 5-0.

D. Discussion and action on planning/organizing an Earth Day/Arbor Day Celebration Event for April 2025.

Normally the City combines Earth Day and Arbor Day with other events like "Dia de Los Ninos", "CDBG Week", "Library Week" etc. For this coming year, the plan is to separate Earth Day and Arbor Day from those, and have our own celebration. Ms. Chapa suggested that she would like to organize a 5K run for Earth Day and maybe join forces with the National Butterfly Center to host an event at their facilities after. It would be nice if we could have some trees donated to give out as well. The idea would be to start planning the run now so that we can start to advertise in order to get more participation.

Mr. Ortega moved to partner with the National Butterfly Center to hold a 5K run in recognition of Earth Day and Arbor Day on April 26th, 2025. Motion was seconded by Ms. Cavazos and approved unanimously 5-0.

E. Discuss Future Projects.

There was an open discussion about projects that we would like to see happen in the future. One of these projects was the annual Trash Bash. This was a huge success last year, and we would like to continue the tradition with the same superhero theme. After reviewing the calendar, it was suggested to have trash bash on March 1st. This would be right before Spring Break. Another suggestion brought up was possible changing the striping on the bike lanes to a different color so that they could stand out. The sand pipe beautification project was also discussed. Mr. Trevino asked if it would be possible to have the prep work done by September 13th so that we could possibly complete the project by September 14th.

Mr. Trevino motioned to have the prep work done for the sandpipe beautification project by September 13th so that we could beautify the area on Saturday, September 14th at 7am. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 14 at 9:00 a.m.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Mr. Cantu thanked everyone for their commitment and continued support.

MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Mr. Aguilar suggested we use WhatsApp to send out polls on certain topics or meeting dates so that we could vote on.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:08 p.m., Mr. Ortega moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Cavazos and was and approved unanimously 5-0.

Mario Cantu, Chairman