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## MINUTES

### **PRESENT:**

Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor  
Ruben D. Plata, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Jessica Ortega, Councilwoman  
Abiel Flores, Councilman  
Alberto Vela, Councilman  
Victor A. Flores, City Attorney  
Randy Perez, City Manager  
Anna Carrillo, City Secretary

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Jim & Beth Barnes  
Angelica Cuellar  
Gardenia F. Cortes  
Lea Juarez  
Nataly Perez  
Alejandro Carbajal  
Paola Cantu  
Ariana cantu  
Alexis Villegas  
Evely Yanez  
Morelia Moreno  
Aun Millard  
Isidore Flores  
Odalys Garcia  
Dalylea Castilla-Pena  
Ismael Balderas  
Carlos D. Lerma  
Dendea Balli  
Marisol Cervantes  
Jesus Saenz

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Joe Cavazos, Police Officer  
Amy Tijerina, Events Manager  
JC Avila, Fleet Director

### **ABSENT:**

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Anais Chapa, Assistant City Secretary  
David Flores, Asst. City Manager  
Juan Pablo Terrazas, Asst. City Manager  
Andy Garcia, Asst. City Manager  
Angie Vela, Finance Director  
Adrian Garcia, Fire Chief  
Michael Elizalde, Grants Administrator  
Susie De Luna, Planning Director  
Alex Hernandez, Assistant Planning Director  
Noemi Munguia, HR Director  
Robert Hinojosa, Risk Management Director  
Joe Enriquez, Utilities Manager  
Rick Venecia, Boys & Girls Club Director  
Abram Ramirez, IT Director  
Abel Bocanegra, P.E., City Engineer  
Cesar Torres, Chief of Police  
Frank Cavazos, Deputy Fire Chief  
Joanne Longoria, CDBG Director  
JC Avila, Fleet Director  
Yenni Espinoza, Assistant Library Director  
Cynthia Lopez, Museum Director  
Mario Flores, Golf Director  
Jesse Mares, Facilities Supervisor  
Aida Lerma, Arts & Cultural Tourism Director  
Roel Mendiola, Sanitation Dept. Director  
Jesse Lerma Civil Service Director  
Kenia Gomez, Media Relations Director  
Stephen Kotsatos, Health Director  
Nereyda Pena, Assistant HR Director  
Brad Bentsen, Parks & Recreation Director  
Jose Silva, Internal Auditor

## **REGULAR MEETING**

### **CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM**

With a quorum being present, Mayor Norie Garza Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE**

City Manager Randy Perez led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

### **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **1. Presentation by the Mission Police Department, Recognition as a Texas Victim's Friendly Agency - Torres**

Chief Cesar Torres announced that the Mission Police Department had been recognized as a Texas Victim's Friendly Agency. This was a great honor as the Mission Police Department is the only department in the valley to be given this distinction. There were also only eight other cities within the State of Texas that have been recognized as such. There were three levels of recognition, and the department was able to obtain the gold level which was the highest.

#### **2. September 2023 Employee of the Month – Munguia**

Noemi Munguia, Human Resources Director, presented Lionel Raya, Maintenance Specialist at the RGV Veteran's Cemetery, as the Employee of the Month for the month of September. Mr. Raya was nominated by Ms. Mary Hernandez for his outstanding customer service and dedication. Mr. Raya was able to recover 26 vases that had been previously taken from the cemetery.

#### **3. Report from the Greater Mission Chamber of Commerce – Enriquez**

Brenda Enriquez, Mission Chamber of Commerce President, spoke about upcoming events such as: Discover Mission had been at the Rio Grande Valley Burning Festival which was a 4 day festival, Dec 1<sup>st</sup> there would be a Shop Local, Mission Holiday Market, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> would be the Annual Health Fair, Lunch and Learn: Marketing to Winter Texans 101, ribbon cutting for Valley Grande Institute and STC on Dec 28<sup>th</sup>, and Dec 29<sup>th</sup> Smart Start en Espanol seminar.

#### **4. Departmental Reports – Perez**

Mayor Pro Tem Ruben Plata moved to approve the Departmental Reports. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

#### **5. Citizen's Participation – Garza**

Joey Santore, 520 Rio Grande Drive, was present to represent his dear friend Elizabeth Perez whose lawn was mowed down by the City of Mission after being reported by a neighbor. Mr. Santore is a botanist and spoke about the many benefits of having a native garden. He suggested that the city should have an ordinance in place that did not demand citizens to have a yard rather to allow for native plants as an alternative.

Jamie Stark was also present to support Ms. Perez and was also supportive of an ordinance which would allow residents to have a native garden. Mission was known for our birds and butterflies and native plants attract both.

Andres Aguirre, 520 Rio Grande Drive, has been a life long resident of Mission and was present to advocate for native plant gardens as native plants support ecosystems. He was able to have Cimarron's HOA change their rulings to support his native plant garden and hoped that the city could also do the same by creating an ordinance.

McKenzie Feldman, presented information on a native plant ordinance that Louisville created in 2022 and mentioned how they had also just launched an education program showing residents how to transform their yards. She provided council with a copy of an example ordinance.

Olivia Starkweather, McAllen Texas, agreed with everyone that spoke before her about the native plants. She believed that residents who plant native plants should be incentivized rather than penalized.

Sydney Ribera, 403 E. 30<sup>th</sup> St, as a scientist with a masters degree, she was also in support of everything that was mentioned prior to her related to native plants. She also added that native gardens would help conserve water. She stated that she would be willing to share her research and help in the creative of an ordinance in support of native gardens.

Jesus Mendoza requested to speak for an additional two minutes, for a total of five minutes. He spoke about a debilitating disease that he has suffered with for most of his life, Electromagnetic hypersensitivity (EHS). He wanted to bring awareness to the effects of exposure to electromagnetic fields and radio frequency.

Alexis Rosales, professor at UTRGV, reiterated the concerns of those who spoke before him. He also offered his expertise on this matter and stated that he would be glad to help the city in creating an ordinance to promote and protect native plants. He mentioned that he works very closely with Mission CISD on sustainability issues and would be willing to do the same for the city.

Elizabeth Perez, 1020 Pamela Drive, stated that her native garden had been mowed down by the city after a neighbor had reported it as a code violation. While she was not happy about it then, she understood why it had happened. She wanted to offer the city assistance in creating an ordinance that would advocate for native plants. She provided a sample ordinance from South Padre Island and mentioned that the City of Edinburg also has one in place.

Fatima Garza, also spoke about native plants and the important role that they play in our environment. She stated that we are asked to conserve water, and native gardens are a great way of conservation. Ms. Garza stated that there are many evidence-based ordinances that support native gardens and she would like to see the city implement one as well.

Dendea Balli, 2009 E. 29<sup>th</sup> Street, wanted to extend her gratitude to the Mayor, City Manager and Assistant City Managers for their presence and support during the fire that happened near the animal shelter the previous week. She also wanted to thank the fire department and police department for their hard work in containing the fire as well as for being so organized and keeping everything under control. Everyone involved was very calm and had an action plan which was a tremendous help. With this being said, she wanted to advocate for a contingency plan for the animal shelter for should any future emergency situations arise.

Samantha Martin, 4501 N. Lane, was present to support Betty Perez and to advocate for an ordinance that would support the planting of native gardens and plants. She brought up a couple of ordinances that the city already had in place as far as irrigation systems and some native plants being mentioned. Ms. Martin recommended there be a setback or buffer or a maximum height requirement for native planting which may eliminate the public's negative

perception of it. Having an ordinance in place with the proper requirements would allow for certified native lawns and suggested that we could also place signage on those approved lawns.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PLANNING & ZONING RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **6. Conditional Use Permit: Mobile Food Truck – Los Tacos de La Ganadera, 2509 Colorado Street, Ste. 205, Lot 1, Block 2, Santa Lucia Development, C-3, La Ganadera (c/o Jose C. De Leon), and Adoption of Ordinance#5390 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located near the NW corner of Colorado and S. Taylor Road along the north side of Colorado Street. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Alberto Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Abiel Flores stepped out of the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: Mobile Food Truck – Los Tacos de La Ganadera, 2509 Colorado Street, Ste. 205, Lot 1, Block 2, Santa Lucia Development, C-3, La Ganadera (c/o Jose C. De Leon), and Adoption of Ordinance#5390. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 4-0.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 5390**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT MOBILE FOOD TRUCK – LOS TACOS DE LA  
GANADERA, 2509 COLORADO STREET, STE. 205, LOT 1, BLOCK 2, SANTA LUCIA  
DEVELOPMENT

#### **7. Conditional Use Permit: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – The Mix, 2509 Colorado Street, Ste. 102, Lot 1, Block 2, Santa Lucia Development, C-3, The Mix Beer & Wine, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5391 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located near the NW corner of Colorado and S. Taylor Road along the north side of Colorado Street. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Councilman Flores stepped back into the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Flores and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – The Mix, 2509 Colorado Street, Ste. 102, Lot 1, Block 2, Santa Lucia Development, C-3, The Mix Beer & Wine, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance# \_\_\_\_\_. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5391**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT SALE & ON-SITE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – THE MIX, 2509 COLORADO STREET, STE. 102, LOT 1, BLOCK 2, SANTA LUCIA DEVELOPMENT

**8. Conditional Use Permit: Outdoor Padel Court/Any Recreational Activity, 719 Ragland, A tract of land out of the Northwest 9.96 acres of Lot 203, John H. Shary Subdivision, C-3, Jorge Eduardo Careaga, and Adoption of Ordinance#5392 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located 800' south of E. Business Highway 83 along the west side of Ragland Road. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: Outdoor Padel Court/Any Recreational Activity, 719 Ragland, A tract of land out of the Northwest 9.96 acres of Lot 203, John H. Shary Subdivision, C-3, Jorge Eduardo Careaga, and Adoption of Ordinance#5392. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5392**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT OUTDOOR PADEL COURT/ANY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY, 719 RAGLAND, A TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE NORTHWEST 9.96 ACRES OF LOT 203, JOHN H. SHARY SUBDIVISION

**9. Conditional Use Permit: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – The Griffin Grill, 1906 E. Griffin Parkway, Lot 19, Rivera Oaks Plaza, C-3, Ram Culinary Group, LLC (c/o Richard L. Krauss), and Adoption of Ordinance#5393 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located within a commercial plaza located 1000' west of N. Glasscock Road on the south side of E. Griffin Parkway There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – The Griffin Grill, 1906 E. Griffin Parkway, Lot 19, Rivera Oaks Plaza, C-3, Ram Culinary Group, LLC (c/o Richard L. Krauss), and Adoption of Ordinance#5393. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5393**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE SALE & ON-SITE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – THE GRIFFIN GRILL, 1906 E. GRIFFIN PARKWAY, LOT 19, RIVER OAKS PLAZA

**10. Conditional Use Permit: Drive-Thru Service Window – La Herradura Taqueria, 2310 E. Expressway 83, Ste 8, Lot 3, Cimarron Crossing Ph. 2, C-3, Gerardo Garcia, and Adoption of Ordinance#5394 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located approximately 250' west of S. Road on the south side of E. U.S. Expressway 83. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: Drive-Thru Service Window – La Herradura Taqueria, 2310 E. Expressway 83, Ste 8, Lot 3, Cimarron Crossing Ph. 2, C-3, Gerardo Garcia, and Adoption of Ordinance#5394 with a “life of use” condition. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5394**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT DRIVE-THRU SERVICE WINDOW – LA HERRADURA TAQUERIA, 2310 E. EXPRESSWAY 83, STE. 8, LOT 3, CIMARRON CROSSING PH. 2

**11. Conditional Use Permit: To Keep a Portable Building for Office Use – Medcare EMS, 511 W. 11th Street, The East tract of Lots 1 & 2, Block 178, Mission Original Townsite, C-4, Medcare EMS, Inc., and Adoption of Ordinance#5395- De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit request. The subject site was located 200' west of Kika De La Garza Loop along the south side of W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Councilwoma Ortega moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit: To Keep a Portable Building for Office Use – Medcare EMS, 511 W. 11th Street, The East tract of Lots 1 & 2, Block 178, Mission Original Townsite, C-4, Medcare EMS, Inc., and Adoption of Ordinance#5395. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plata and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5395**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO KEEP A PORTABLE BUILDING FOR  
OFFICE USE – MEDCARE EMS, 511 W. 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET, THE EAST TRACT OF LOTS 1 & 2,  
BLOCK 178, MISSION ORIGINAL TOWNSITE

**12. Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Extreme Pizza, 608 N. Shary Road, Units 4 & 5, Lot 1, Alba Plaza Subdivision, C-3, Argos Foods, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5396 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit Renewal request. The subject site was located ¼ mile south of East Business Highway 83 within a commercial plaza along the east side of N. Shary Road. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Councilman Vela seconded by Councilman Flores and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Extreme Pizza, 608 N. Shary Road, Units 4 & 5, Lot 1, Alba Plaza Subdivision, C-3, Argos Foods, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5396, with a life of use condition. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5396**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RENEWAL FOR THE SALE & ON-SITE  
CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – EXTREME PIZZA, 608 N. SHARY ROAD,  
UNITS 4 & 5, LOT 1, ALBA PLAZA SUBDIVISION

**13. Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Arelis Celebration Hall, 1905 W. Griffin Parkway, Lots 1-4, Southern Oaks, Ph. I Subdivision, C-3, Daisy A. Vela, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5397 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit Renewal request. The subject site was located 500' west of N. Inspiration Road along the south side of W. Griffin Parkway. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Arelis Celebration Hall, 1905 W. Griffin Parkway, Lots 1-4, Southern Oaks, Ph. I Subdivision, C-3, Daisy A. Vela, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5397. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5397**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RENEWAL FOR THE SALE & ON-SITE  
CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ARELIS CELEBRATION HALL, 1905 W.  
GRIFFIN PARKWAY, LOTS 1-4, SOUTHERN OAKS, PH. I SUBDIVISION

**14. Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Arelis Event Center, 1809 W. Griffin Parkway, Lots 9-11, Southern Oaks Ph. I Subdivision, C-3, Daisy A. Vela, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5398 - De Luna**

On October 25, 2023 the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Permit Renewal request. The subject site was located 500' west of N. Inspiration Road along the south side of W. Griffin Parkway. There was no public opposition during the P&Z Meeting. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit Renewal: Sale & On-Site Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages – Arelis Event Center, 1809 W. Griffin Parkway, Lots 9-11, Southern Oaks Ph. I Subdivision, C-3, Daisy A. Vela, LLC, and Adoption of Ordinance#5398. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5398**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RENEWAL FOR THE SALE & ON-SITE  
CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ARELIS EVENT CENTER, 1809 W.  
GRIFFIN PARKWAY, LOTS 9-11, SOUTHERN OAKS, PH. I SUBDIVISION

**15. Preliminary & Final Replat Approval: A replat of Lots 33A and Lots 33B, Southwind Estates Unit II, A tract of land containing 1.01 acres of land out of Lot 33, Southwind Estates Unit II, R-1A, Developer: Carlos and Diana Lerma, Engineer: Javier Hinojosa Engineering, – De Luna**

On October 25, 2023, the Mission City Council held a Public Hearing to consider the Preliminary & Final Re-Plat Approval for Southwind Estates Unit II. The subject site was located along the west side of Don's Drive between Merlin Drive and Terrance Drive. There was no public opposition during the City Council. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.



Mayor Garza asked if there were any comments for or against the request.

There were no comments.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Plata seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously, the public hearing was closed.

Councilwoman Ortega moved to approve the Preliminary & Final Replat Approval: A replat of Lots 33A and Lots 33B, Southwind Estates Unit II, A tract of land containing 1.01 acres of land out of Lot 33, Southwind Estates Unit II, R-1A, Developer: Carlos and Diana Lerma, Engineer: Javier Hinojosa Engineering. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plata and approved unanimously 5-0.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

*All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately. The City Council May Take Various Actions; Including But Not Limited To Rescheduling An Item In Its Entirety For A Future Date Or Time. The City Council May Elect To Go Into Executive Session On Any Item Whether Or Not Such Item Is Posted As An Executive Session Item At Any Time During The Meeting When Authorized By The Provisions Of The Open Meetings Act*

### **16. Approval of Minutes – Carrillo**

Regular Meeting – October 23, 2023

### **17. Acknowledge Receipt of Minutes – Perez**

Ambulance Board – August 25, 2023

Keep Mission Beautiful – September 5, 2023

Civil Service Commission – September 20, 2023

Youth Advocacy Advisory Board – September 12, 2023

Planning & Zoning – October 11, 2023

Shary Golf Advisory Board – August 30, 2023

### **18. Authorization to Execute 1st One-Year Renewal Option with CVQ Land Surveyors, LLC for Land Surveying Services – De Luna**

On October 24, 2022, the City of Mission entered into a contractual agreement with CVQ Land Surveyors, LLC for Land Surveying Services. Surveys would be on “as needed” basis to include topographic, boundary, platting preliminary and all other necessary land surveying tasks. The term of this contract was for one year with two one-year renewal options. Per attached renewal letter, there will be no changes to the original proposal for CVQ Land Surveyors, LLC. Staff was seeking authorization to extend contract for 1<sup>st</sup> one-year renewal option with CVQ Land Surveyors, LLC.

### **19. Authorization to Execute 1st One-Year Renewal Option with Leonel Garza Jr. & Associates, LLC for Appraisal Services – De Luna**

On October 24, 2022, the City of Mission entered into a contractual agreement with Leonel Garza Jr. & Associates, LLC for Appraisal Services. The term of this contract was for one year with two one-year renewal options. Per attached renewal letter, there will be no changes to

the original proposal for Leonel Garza Jr. & Associates, LLC. Staff was seeking authorization to extend contract for 1<sup>st</sup> one-year renewal option with Leonel Garza Jr. & Associates, LLC.

**20. Authorization to Execute Second One-Year Renewal Option with Conde's Landscaping, and OCL Enterprises, LLC, for Weedy Lot Abatement – De Luna**

In November 23, 2021, the City of Mission entered into a contractual agreement with Conde's Landscaping, OCL Enterprises, LLC and TDL Properties for weedy lot abatement. The terms for this contract were for one year with two one-year renewal options. Per attached renewal letters, there would be no increase to the original proposal for Conde's Landscaping, for OCL Enterprises, LLC there would be a 5% increase as per contract. Staff was seeking authorization to extend contract for first second-year renewal option.

**21. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Mission Fire Department and U.S. Customs and Border Protection for their use of clinical sites – A. Garcia**

The Mission Fire Department was seeking authorization to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with U.S. Customs and Border Protection as they seek to obtain a program of clinical education or field work experience at the City of Mission Fire Department for its Emergency Medical Technicians and Emergency Medical Technician students. The clinical site shall provide the U.S. Customs and Border Protection students with practical experience in EMS – based patient care activities through the clinical's site's owned entities and the U.S. Custom and Border Protection shall provide the student with academic experience.

**22. Authorization to Solicit Request for Qualifications for FMA & BRIC Program Development, Grant Administration, Civil Engineering, and Project Management Services – Bocanegra**

Staff was seeking authorization to Solicit a Request for Qualifications for Program Development, Grant Administration, Civil Engineering, and Project Management Services pertaining to the Flood Mitigation Assistance program (FMA), administered by the Texas Water Development Board and the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant Program (BRIC) administered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management. The purpose of these program was to provide support to communities for hazard mitigation activities, such as drainage improvements, that promoted climate adaptation and resilience with respect to the growing hazards associated with climate change. Each program required a 25% match with the potential for a reduced match of 10% if the projects met the FEMA definition of repetitive loss structures.

**23. Authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between The Lower Rio Grande Valley TPDES Stormwater Task Force Partnership, Inc. and the City of Mission – Bocanegra**

Memorandum of Agreement by and between City of Mission and The Lower Rio Grande Valley TPDES Stormwater Taskforce Partnership, Inc. for Representative Appointment to the Regional Lower Rio Grande Valley TPDES Stormwater Tark Force MOA #R-RGV-TF-2023-00051. It was formed to respond and aid compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Phase II Stormwater Rules and other pertinent issues as needed. This MOA commenced on 11/1/23, would be effective for five (5) calendar years and would terminate 10/31/28. Membership contribution was \$19,051.20.

**24. Authorization to award bid for Ready Mix Concrete for Public Works Department- Bocanegra**

The City of Mission had accepted and opened one (1) Bid response for Ready Mix Concrete for the Public Works Department. Staff recommended awarding bid to 57 Concrete, LLC who was the lowest responsible bidder meeting all specifications. Recommendation was based solely on estimated quantities and orders will be placed on an as needed basis. BID # 24-042-10-30.

**25. Authorization to extend second one-year renewal option for Liquid Polymer Chemical with Polydyne, Inc. for the Public Works Department North and South Water Treatment Plants – Bocanegra**

The City of Mission entered into an agreement with Polydyne, Inc. for the purchase of Liquid Polymer Chemical. The contract term was for one year with two one-year renewal options. Orders would be placed on an as needed basis throughout the one-year base term at (\$0.65/lb). This would extend Bid No. 22-005-10-14 from November 15, 2023 thru November 14, 2024.

**26. Authorization to extend second one-year renewal option for Liquid Emulsion Polymer Chemical for the Public Works Department Wastewater Treatment Plants – Bocanegra**

The City of Mission entered into an agreement with Polydyne, Inc. for the purchase of Liquid Emulsion Polymer Chemical. Orders would be placed on an as needed basis throughout the one-year base term. This would extend Bid No. 22-006-10-14.

**27. Authorization to purchase one (1) Harley Davidson Police motorcycle from Longhorn Harley Davidson via BuyBoard contract #601-19 – Torres**

Authorization to purchase one (1) Harley Davidson Police motorcycle with emergency equipment from Longhorn Harley Davidson via BuyBoard contract #601-19. The total price for the (1) Harley Davidson Police motorcycle was \$46,740.16. The City of Mission was previously issued a TML re-imbusement claim check for \$37,525.91, which would be applied to the total price. Funds from Acct. 11-410-74950 would be utilized to pay the remainder amount for this purchase. Total price of the purchase would be \$9,214.25.

**28. Authorization to enter a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Mission and the City of Palmview to provide temporary housing for prisoners – Torres**

The City of Palmview needed services for temporary housing and detention of prisoners awaiting arraignment. The Mission Police Department agreed to make use of the agency's holding facility for prisoners of the Palmview Police Department, subject to the availability of space based on the facility's capacity. The temporary housing of prisoners would be at a cost of \$54.00 per prisoner per day. The cost included detention and meal costs. The term of the agreement commenced on November 1, 2023 and ending on February 28, 2024.

**29. Authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Uniting Neighbors in Drug Abuse Defense (UNIDAD) and the City of Mission Police Department – Torres**

The Mission Police Department was requesting authorization to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Uniting Neighbors in Drug Abuse Defense (UNIDAD), for the purpose of providing services to our community that increased prevention efforts focusing on reducing

tobacco, underage drinking, prescription drug abuse, and Marijuana use in Hidalgo County. This agreement will be in effect from September 2023 to August 2024.

**30. Authorization to allow the purchase of a firearm to Honorably Retired Peace Officer, Ezequiel Navarro for the Mission Police Department, in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 614.051- Torres**

Honorably Retired Peace Officer, Ezequiel Navarro had requested to purchase his Glock 17/Generation 4, 9mm service weapon, serial # BACG-536 from the Mission Police Department.

**31. Authorization to allow the purchase of a firearm to Honorably Retired Peace Officer, Samuel Segura for the Mission Police Department, in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 614.051- Torres**

Honorably Retired Peace Officer, Samuel Segura had requested to purchase his Glock 17/Generation 4, 9mm service weapon, serial # BACG-544 from the Mission Police Department.

**32. Authorize Mayor to execute Amendment No. 5 to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the South Conway Lift Station Project – Terrazas**

Authorize Mayor to execute Amendment No. 5 to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the South Conway Lift Station Project. The amendment was to pay for additional services in the amount of \$4,019.54, related to construction testing. Original amount of the project was \$2,838,639.15. Upon approval of this amendment, the total project amount would increase to \$2,842,658.69.

**33. Approval of Resolution #1867 to designate authorized signatories for the CDBG-DR Program from GLO State contract number 24-067-006-E193- Elizalde**

Discuss, consider, and adopt resolution to designate authorized signatories for the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program for GLO state contract number 24-067-006-E193. The grant contract in the amount of \$999,162.14 would be used for the city's Astroland Drainage Project. The project would allow the city to expand existing stormwater drainage laterals in the Astroland area.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1867**

**AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES**

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF MISSION DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM (CDBG-DR) GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 24-067-006-E193.

**34. Authorization to approve Change Order #001 with Noble Texas Builders LLC, related to roof repairs for the Center for Education and Economic Development Building – Garcia**

Mission Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) CEO Tecló J. Garcia was requesting authorization for approval of Change Order #001, in the amount of \$39,928.00, with Noble Texas Builders, LLC. The additional amount was for unforeseen additional work needed to

repair the roof at the Center for Education and Economic Development (CEED) building. The CEED Building, located at 801 N. Bryan Road, suffered extensive roof damage during an April 2023 hail and wind storm. The roof and the parapet on the northwest side of the building must be repaired as soon as possible. The building sustained roof and structural damage.

### **35. Approval of Utility Account Reclassifications for Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 – Enriquez**

Approval of the Utility account receivable to be reclassified for the amount of \$247,530.64 to Bad Debt (Uncollectible). These amounts were for the fiscal year 2020-2021

### **36. Approval of Resolution #1868 amending Resolution 1866 Section 7 Election Day Polling Locations – Carrillo**

#### ***Aprobación de Resolución No. 1868 que modifica la Resolución 1866 Sección 7 Lugares de votación el día de las elecciones – Carrillo***

Resolution 1866 called for Election Day polling locations to be conducted at Mission Parks & Recreation Conference Room. Due to a previously scheduled event to be held at the Parks and Recreation facility, we were requesting to change the polling location on Election Day only from Parks and Recreation to Mission City Hall Community Room.

Chapter 43, Section 43.062 of the Election Code stated if the location of the polling place for an election was different from the location used for the preceding election ordered by the same authority, the authority responsible for giving notice of the election shall, if possible, post notice at the entrance to the previous polling place stating that the location had changed and providing the location of the new polling place. All proper signage would be posted.

Councilman Flores asked to remove item 21 from the list and be discussed individually.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata asked to remove item 24 from the list and be discussed individually.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve all consent agenda items 16 thru 20, 21 thru 23 and 25 thru 36 as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

Councilman Flores moved to approve item 21. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve item 24. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

## **APPROVALS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

### **37. Final Plat Approval: Garden Path Subdivision, A tract of land containing 8.887 acres, Being a part or portion out of Lot 266, John H. Shary Subdivision, R-1T, Developer: Deka Investments, LLC, Engineer: M2 Engineering, PLLC, – De Luna**

On August 22, 2022, the Mission City Council held a Public Hearing to consider the Preliminary Plat Approval for Garden Path Subdivision. The subject site was located along the West side of Taylor Road approximately 500' North of E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street. There was no public opposition during the City Council. The board unanimously recommended approval.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Final Plat Approval: Garden Path Subdivision, A tract of land containing 8.887 acres, Being a part or portion out of Lot 266, John H. Shary

Subdivision, R-1T, Developer: Deka Investments, LLC, Engineer: M2 Engineering, PLLC. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**38. Request by Union Design Developers, LP to establish a letter of credit or pay escrow for the Anzalduas Industrial Park Ph I Subdivision to enable recording process of the subdivision without having all the infrastructure completed – De Luna**

On October 13, 2023, staff received a request by Bruno M. Castillo president of Union Design Developers, LP to have the City Council consider allowing him to establish a letter of credit or pay escrow for the Anzalduas Industrial Park Ph I Subdivision to enable the recording process of the subdivision without having all the infrastructure completed. The sole purpose of getting the plat recorded was for the sale of lots. Mr. Castillo was also requesting the City's participation in sharing 1/3 of the cost of the improvements totaling \$284,229.86 thru TIRZ Board. If request was approved, Mr. Castillo would be submitting the remaining balance.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Request by Union Design Developers, LP to establish a letter of credit or pay escrow for the Anzalduas Industrial Park Ph I Subdivision to enable recording process of the subdivision without having all the infrastructure completed. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

**39. Approval of Resolution #1869 distributing 140 authorized votes for the election of Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2024-2025 – Carrillo**

The City of Mission may cast all of their 140 authorized votes for one candidate or distribute the votes among any number of candidates. The candidates are as follows: Eddie Betancourt, Albert Cardenas, Fernando Castillo, Mario Chapa, Pete Garcia, Richard A. Garza, Uvaldo Gutierrez, Antonio Lozano, Joe D. Olivares, Amador Requenez and Ruben Saldana.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve Resolution #1869 distributing 140 authorized votes for the election of Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2024-2025 and to distribute the votes as follows: 70 to Amador Requenez and 70 to Eddie Betancourt. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**RESOLUTION NO.1869**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS  
DISTRIBUTING 140 AUTHORIZED VOTES FOR THE ELECTION OF APPRAISAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2024-2025

**40. Consideration to modify 2023 City of Mission Thanksgiving and New Year's holiday schedule – Carrillo**

City of Mission offices were currently closed beginning at 12 noon on Wednesday, November 22. Consideration was being requested to close City Hall offices all day on November 22 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Offices were also scheduled to be closed beginning at 12 noon on Friday, December 29 for New Year's. Consideration was being requested to modify the New Year's holiday schedule as follows offices would be open all day on Friday, December 29, 2023 and close on Monday, January 1 and all day on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the modification of the 2023 City of Mission Thanksgiving and New Year's holiday schedule. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**41. Authorize Mayor to execute a Sixth Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Bentsen Palm Lift Station Phase III Project - Terrazas**

Authorize Mayor to execute a Sixth Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Bentsen Palm Development Lift Station Phase III Project. The project involved the decommissioning of two lift stations and tie-in the facilities in to the Phase III. This amendment was to pay a shortage amount of \$80,242.00 related to additional expenses. Original amount of the project was \$1,921,012.50. Upon approval of this amendment, the total project amount would increase to \$2,001,254.50.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to Authorize Mayor to execute a Sixth Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Bentsen Palm Lift Station Phase III Project. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

**42. Authorize Mayor to execute Second Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Inspiration Road & Military Road Phase I Project -Terrazas**

Authorize Mayor to execute a Second Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Inspiration Road & Military Road Phase I Project. The project involved the financing and construction of the first phase of the widening and improvement of Inspiration Road and Military Road Phase I. This amendment was due to additional expenses of \$174,375.37 (includes an overcharge of \$12,677.37) involving TxDOT City Share of Direct State Costs. Original amount of the project was \$1,358,777.31. Upon approval of this amendment, the total project cost would increase to \$1,533,152.68.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to Authorize Mayor to execute Second Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement between Mission Redevelopment Authority, Reinvestment Zone No. One, and the City of Mission, related to the Inspiration Road & Military Road Phase I Project. Motion was seconded by Councilman Flores and approved unanimously 5-0.

**43. Authorization to purchase (21) SigMPX 9mm short barrel rifles with red dot sights & (91) SigM400 AR15 rifles with compact red dot sights from CTC Gunworks, LLC – Torres**

The Mission Police Department was seeking authorization to purchase (21) SigMPX 9mm short barrel rifles with Romeo red dot sights, for school resource officers, from CTC Gunworks, LLC. The Mission Police Department was also seeking authorization to purchase (91) SigM400 AR15 rifles with Romeo compact red dot sights, for patrol officers, from CTC Gunworks, LLC. The initial total cost was \$158,202.45, however, costs were reduced after trading in unutilized vault firearm inventory. The purchase cost amount was \$105,977.45, via OMNIA contract # 12-19.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Councilwoman Ortega moved to authorize the purchase of (21) SigMPX 9mm short barrel rifles with red dot sights & (91) SigM400 AR15 rifles with compact red dot sights from CTC Gunworks, LLC. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plata and approved unanimously 5-0.

**44. Authorization to lease/purchase (3) 2023 Chevy Tahoes for the Mission Police Department fleet from D&M Leasing Company (buyboard contract #652-21) – Torres**

The Mission Police Department was seeking authorization to lease and later purchase (3) 2023 Chevy Tahoes for the Mission Police Department fleet from D&M Leasing Company (buyboard contract #652-21). The (3) 2023 Chevy Tahoes would be leased for a 12-month period and paid off after the leasing period ends. The purchase cost amount was \$227,618.04. This expenditure would derive from Asset Forfeiture funds.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Councilwoman Ortega moved to authorize the lease/purchase (3) 2023 Chevy Tahoes for the Mission Police Department fleet from D&M Leasing Company (buyboard contract #652-21). Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plata and approved unanimously 5-0.

**45. Authorization to accept the 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice - Office of Community Oriented Policing Services – Torres**

The Mission Police Department was seeking authorization to accept award funds for the 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant, which is awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice – Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. The program allowed the hiring of police officers where the program pays 75% of the officers' salary and was matched by the city at 25% through the third year of the grant. On the fourth year of the grant, the City of Mission would be responsible for 100 % of the police officer salaries. The City of Mission Police Department would be hiring (8) new police officers as a result of this grant. The total grant award was \$1,000,000.00.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to accept the 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice - Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

**46. Approval of Ordinance #5399 Amending Personnel Policy Manual Policy 500.02 Holidays – Munguia**

In reviewing the City's Personnel Policy Manual, staff had proposed a revision to the Holiday policy to add an Optional Holiday. Staff would be able to elect one of the following Holidays as their Optional Holiday: Cesar Chavez, Juneteenth or Columbus Day. The proposed ordinance would amend and restate the PPM effective 11-13-2023. Staff reviewed said revision, and concurred with the recommendation to approve said policy revision.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Councilwoman Ortega moved to approve Ordinance #5399 Amending Personnel Policy Manual Policy 500.02 Holidays. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Plata and approved unanimously 5-0.



**ORDINANCE NO. 5399**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5264 TO AMEND AND RESTATE THE PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MISSION, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLICATION CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**47. Approval of the Certified 2023 Tax Roll Totals – Vela**

Approval of the Certified 2023 Tax Roll for the City of Mission as per section 26.09(e) of the Texas Property Code.

	<u>City of Mission</u>	<u>TIRZ*</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>M&amp;O</b>	\$ 24,266,129.91	\$ 3,390,845.34	\$27,656,975.25
<b>I&amp;S</b>	\$ 4,216,206.34	\$ 589,154.66	\$ 4,805,361.00
	<u>\$ 28,482,336.25</u>	<u>\$ 3,980,000.00</u>	<u>\$32,462,336.25</u>

Total Taxable Value: \$6,379,901,680

Total Tax Levy: \$ 32,462,336.25

\*estimate

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to approve the Certified 2023 Tax Rolls Totals. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**48. Acceptance of Quarterly Report of Investments for the Quarter ending September 30, 2023 and Interest Earned for Twelve Months Ending September 30, 2023 -Vela**

Acceptance of quarterly report required by the Public Funds Investment Act Section 2256.023 of the Texas Government Code on the total investments for the quarter ending September 30, 2023. The total increases to investment balances for the period were \$130,800.67 and total decreases were \$4,244,002.74, leaving a total of \$16,377,439.28 in outstanding investments for the quarter ending September 30, 2023. The total interest earned on all funds year to date was \$596,094.58.

This report of the City’s investment portfolio was in compliance with State Law and the investment strategy and policy approved by the City Council.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to accept the Quarterly Report of Investments for the Quarter ending September 30, 2023 and Interest Earned for Twelve Months Ending September 30, 2023. Motion was seconded by Councilman Flores and approved unanimously 5-0.

**49. Authorization to enter into a First Amendment to the Personal Services Contract with De Saro Public Relations Firm for services related to the City of Mission State of The City Address – D. Flores**

Authorization to enter into a First Amendment to the Personal Services Contract with De Saro Public Relations Firm for services related to the City of Mission State of The City Address, previously entered on September 13, 2023, accounting for payment of remaining balance requested from sponsorship sales received by the City of Mission.

Staff and City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved to enter into a First Amendment to the Personal Services Contract with De Saro Public Relations Firm for services related to the City of Mission State of The City Address. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 5-0.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **ROUTINE MATTERS**

City Manager Comments - Employee Appreciation Luncheon Tuesday, November 14, 2023 11:00 am – 2:00 pm at Mission Event Center, Employee Turkey Distribution Wednesday, November 15, 2023 / 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm at Mission City Hall, Turkey Give-a-way (ticket only) Thursday, November 16, 2023 / 10:00 am at Mission Police Department, Turkey or Ticket Give-a-way Thursday, November 16, 2023 / 12:00 pm at Mission Police Department, R.E.D Flag Ceremony Friday, November 17, 2023 / 9:30 am at Mission Police Department, Veterans Appreciation BBQ Friday, November 17, 2023 / 11:30 am – 1:00 pm at Mission Parks and Recreation, Mayor’s Annual Christmas Lighting Friday, November 17, 2023 / 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Saturday, November 18, 2023 / 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Leo Pena Placita Park, Veterans Parade Saturday, November 18, 2023 / 12:00 pm at Downtown Mission (Along Bus 83 from Conway to Bryan), Loud and Clear Veteran Music Festival & Chili Cook Off Saturday, November 18, 2023 / 12:00 pm – 11:00 pm at 5x5 Brewing Co., Land of the Free Jeep Show Saturday, November 18, 2023 / 12:00 pm – 11:00 pm at 5x5 Brewing Co., Journey to the East December 2, 2023 / 12:00 pm – midnight at Mission Market Square

Mayor's Comments – None

City Council Comments – Councilwoman Ortega noted that the information provided on native plants was very interesting and suggested that a workshop be held to further discuss the matter. All council members wished everyone a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Holiday.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:31 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ortega and approved unanimously 5-0.

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Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Anna Carrillo, City Secretary