

Official Minutes
City Of Lorenzo, TX
March 11, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL ROOM - LORENZO, TX 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cheryl Birdwell called the Public Hearing to Order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Council Members present: Aldermen, Earlene Rampy, Janet Peterson-Gonzales, Rhonda Cypert and Hilda Castillo. Also present were City Manager Michael Chambers, City Secretary Lisa Hernandez, City Utility/Court Clerk Isabel Salazar, Crosby County Sheriff Ethan Villanueva, Fire Chief Josh King, Fire Assistant Chief Celeste Rackler, and guests.

Lorenzo City Council Member Rhonda Cypert gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro-Tem Cheryl Birdwell.

Public Comment:

No Public Comments were made on the FY 2024-2025 Proposed Annual Budget.

5. Closed Public Hearing at 7:10 pm.

6. Opened Regular Council Meeting at 7:10 pm.

Consent Agenda:

All consent items are considered to be routine and each will be enacted by one motion and vote.

7. **Approve February 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the minutes of February 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
8. **Approve February 26, 2024 Budget Workshop Minutes.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the minutes of January 29, 2024 Budget Workshop Minutes. Council Member Earlene Rampy seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
9. **Approve Financial Statements/Accounts Payable for February 2024.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the February 2024 Financial Report. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.

10. Staff Reports:

{Staff reports are for discussion only. No Motion.}

- a. **City Manager Report:** _____ Michael Chambers
- b. **Crosby County Sheriff Report:** _____ Ethan Villanueva
- c. **Fire Department Report:** _____ Josh King

Discuss and Take Action Regarding:

11. **Consider & Approve Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motions to adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Council Member Earlene Rampy seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
12. **Consider / Approve Notice of General Election for May 4, 2024.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motions to approve the Notice of Election for May 4, 2024. Council Member Hilda Castillo seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
13. **Consider / Approve the contract with the Sheriff's Department.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motions to approve the Contract for the Sheriff's Office for \$80,000.00. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: An Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; An Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.072 to deliberate regarding real property for landfill/gun range.**

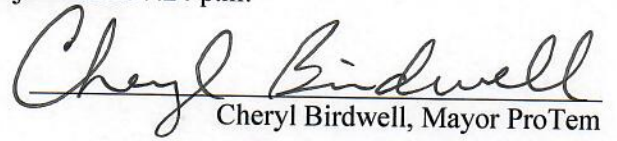
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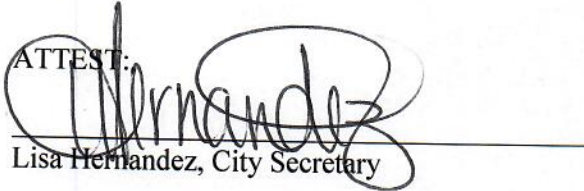
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15. Reconvene into open session and take action on items discussed in Executive Session.

- A. City Administrator Evaluation - No Motion- Discussion Only:**
- B. Gun Range - No Motion- Discussion Only.**

16. Adjournment. - Council Member, Janet Peterson-Gonzales motions to adjourn. Council Member, Rhonda Cypert seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.


Cheryl Birdwell, Mayor ProTem

ATTEST:

Lisa Hernandez, City Secretary