CITY OF LEON VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Leon Valley City Council Chambers
6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas 78238
Tuesday, May 19, 2015

MINUTES
The City Council of the City of Leon Valley, Texas met on the 19th day of May, 2015 at the
Leon Valley City Council Chambers located at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas for the
purpose of the following business:

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Riley called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Pastor Derrick
Thomas of Faith Worship Center led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Riley asked that the minutes reflect that the following members of City Council were
present: Councilmembers Ricardo Ruiz, Abraham Diaz, and Benny Martinez. Councilmembers
Carmen Sanchez and Paul Biever were absent.

Also in attendance were:
City Manager Manuel Longoria, Jr., City Attorney Clarissa Rodriguez, ACM/Police Chief
Randall Wallace, ACM/Human Resources Director Crystal Caldera, City Secretary Saundra
Passailaque, Public Works Director Melinda Moritz, Fire Chief Luis Valdez and Project
Manager John Krause.

Consideration and action on Resolution No. 15-011R canvassing the returns and
declaring the official results of the City of Leon Valley, Texas, May 09, 2015 General and
Special Election. M&C #2015-05-19-01 (S. Passailaque)

City Secretary Passailaque gave a brief presentation on the canvassing of the returns for the
2015 General Election to elect one (1) Councilmember to Council Place 1, one (1)
Councilmember to Council Place No. 3 and one (1) Councilmember to Council Place No. 5, by
the qualified voters of the City of Leon Valley, and a Special Election to be held on the
question of the Adoption of a Home Rule Charter for the City of Leon Valley.

A motion was made by Councilmember Abraham Diaz seconded by Councilmember Benny
Martinez, to accept Resolution No. 15-011R canvassing the returns of the City of Leon Valley,
Texas 2015 General and Special Election, and declaring the official results as presented. Upon
a vote of three (3) for and none (0) opposed Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.
(Councilmembers Carmen Sanchez and Paul Biever were absent)
Recognition of Council members Paul Biever, Abraham Diaz and Ricardo Ruiz for their years of service to the City of Leon Valley.

Mayor Riley presented Councilmembers Ricardo Ruiz and Abraham Diaz with a clock in appreciation for their time of service to the City of Leon Valley as members of the City Council.

Mr. Ruiz thanked the citizens for allowing him to serve.

Mr. Diaz also thanked God, the citizens, Mayor and Council, his family and staff.

Administration of the Oath of Office and presentation of the Certificate of Election to Council Member-Elect David Edwards Council Place 1; Council Member-Elect Monica Alcocer Council Place 3; and Council Member-Elect David Jordan Council Place 5.

Judge David Rodriguez, Bexar County Court at Law #3 administered the Oath of Office and presented the Certificate of Election to Councilmember-Elect David Edwards Council Place No. 1, and Councilmember-Elect, Monica Alcocer Council Place No. 3, and Councilmember-Elect, David Jordan Council Place No. 5.

Council Member David Edwards, Councilmember Monica Alcocer and Councilmember David Jordan took their places at the dais and began their respective terms of office.

Mayor Riley took a point of privilege to thank all of the citizens who participated in this election and “attributed this win to a broad base of citizen support who communicate the need for change here at City Hall.” Mayor Riley also thanked Judge David Rodriguez.

Councilmembers David Edwards, Monica Alcocer and David Jordan all thanked the voters for the opportunity to serve them.

Mayor Riley called for a recess at 7:23 p.m. and invited Council and guests to a reception in honor of the outgoing and incoming Council.

Mayor Riley reconvened the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Mayor Riley asked if any of the Councilmembers wished to pull items from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

There being no comments, Mayor Riley moved on to the next item.

Citizens to be Heard

- Marcus Semmelmann, 5919 Rinkus Drive, thanked the outgoing Council for their time serving the Leon Valley community, and congratulated the new Council Members and asked that they do their homework, arrive prepared, work together and agree to disagree. Mr. Semmelmann also congratulated the Council for having two meetings per month. Mr. Semmelmann also suggested that the Hike & Bike Trail funds be used to purchase property on Samaritan and turn it into a wildlife habitat.
- Olen Yarnell, 7230 Sulky Lane, passed on speaking at this time.
• Kim Crawford, 7007 Forest Mont, passed on speaking at this time.
• Walter Geraghty, 7315 Ellerby Point, thanked the outgoing Council, congratulated the new Council; and thanked City Manager Manuel Longoria, Jr. for his support of the American Legion Post No. 336 and for his efforts to help make his dream of dedicating a portion of Evers Road to Audie Leon Murphy and the naming of the unnamed driveway at the Leon Valley Public Library as Veteran’s Driveway. Mr. Geraghty said that it may be time to consider paying the City Council for each Council meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of City Council Minutes. (ACM C. Caldera/S. Passailaigue)
  a) May 05, 2015 Special and Regular City Council Meeting

Discussion and action on possible amendments to Resolution No. 14-017R City Council Rules of Conduct. M&C #2015-05-19-02 (Mayor Chris Riley and Council Member Benny Martinez)

A motion was made by Councilmember Monica Alcocer seconded by Councilmember Benny Martinez, to approve the Consent Agenda Items #6 and #7 as presented. Upon a vote of four (4) for and none (0) opposed Mayor Riley announced the motion carried. (Councilmember Carmen Sanchez was absent.)

REGULAR AGENDA

Presentation by Mike DeLaGarza on the City of Leon Valley 4th of July Spectacular.

Mr. Mike DeLaGarza gave a presentation on the 4th of July Spectacular which will be held at Raymond Rinkus Park on July 4th from 8:00 a.m. until approximately 10:00 p.m. Events include: a 5k run, parade, opening festivities, entertainment, food, drink, arts & crafts, and fireworks. New to this year’s event are the Tamale Eating Contest and the Leon Valley Bake-Off.

First Public Hearing and First Reading of a resolution for LVEDC contribution of $15,000; and co-sponsorship of the City of Leon Valley 4th of July Spectacular. M&C #2015-05-19-03 (City Manager Longoria)

ACM/HR Director Crystal Caldera presented this item on behalf of Economic Development Director Claudia Mora this item conducts the first of two public hearings and readings of the resolution approving expenditure of LVEDC funding and to receive comment from Leon Valley citizens regarding LVEDC’s co-sponsorship of the 4th of July Celebration/Spectacular. Article IV Functional Corporate Duties and Requirements, Section 4.5, Expenditure of Corporate Money, and Subsection (c) of the Bylaws of the City of Leon Valley Economic Development Corporation (LVEDC) require that expenditures approved by the LVEDC Board of Directors for project funding in excess of $10,000 have at least two separate readings of the approving City Council resolution and two public hearings.
Ms. Caldera added that at the April 22, 2015 meeting, the LVEDC Board of Directors approved the funding of $15,000 in LVEDC funds to co-sponsor the City of Leon Valley 4th of July Celebration/Spectacular. If approved by the City Council, the co-sponsorship will allow the LVEDC to promote Leon Valley and attract patrons to area businesses to help increase sales tax revenue for the City. In addition, the co-sponsorship of $15,000 enhances the city’s identity, and enables the City of Leon Valley to build a special event that increases the city’s visibility to the San Antonio area and South Texas region.

Mayor Riley opened the public hearing at 8:32 p.m. and there being no comments, closed the public hearing at 8:33 p.m.

No action was taken on this item.

City Manager’s Report:

a) Beginning June 2nd, all City Council meetings will be at the Conference Center until the City Hall renovations are complete; temporary public notice posting location will be at the Leon Valley Library.

b) Monthly Departmental Reports

c) Approved Minutes from Boards, Commissions and Committees

d) Future Agenda Items:
   o Funding Request by the Tree Advisory Committee for repurposing the wood from LC17 Project
   o LC17 Update (Bobby Mengden, PE, CFM) – estimate to save trees and do grading
   o Water/Sewer Capital Improvement Plan & Rate Study Workshop
   o CDBG Grant

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Discussion and possible action on the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the selection of the City of Leon Valley’s Insurance Agent of Record. M&C #2015-05-19-04 (ACM C. Caldera)

ACM/HR Director Crystal Caldera informed the City Council that the City’s agreement with Gallagher services ends June 15, 2015. Therefore this would authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for professional services for an Insurance Agent of Record for the City’s employee group health insurance plans. The services of a professional insurance broker serving as the City’s Insurance Agent of Record, can provide expertise in identifying the best group plans that meet the City’s needs, could bring current knowledge of market trends in rates and plan structures, and may present a larger client pool to the negotiating table.

The Employee Insurance Benefit Committee was comprised of Assistant Finance Director Hurlock, Assistant Fire Chief Lawson, Public Works Director Moritz, Economic Development Director Mora and HR Director Caldera. The Committee looked at the second phase to determine whether or not the Request for Proposals (RFP) met specific scope of services and submission requirements. In the third phase the committee looked at price, experience and
cliental. Finally in Phase four the top two companies had reference checks and a phone interview. Four proposals were submitted by the following companies: Gallagher Benefits Services, Crandall & Associates, Holmes & Murphy and MSW. Below is the scoring matrix for all four companies:

A motion was made by Councilmember Benny Martinez seconded by Councilmember David Jordan, to approve Gallagher Benefits Services as the City’s Agent of Record. Upon a vote of four (4) for and none (0) opposed Mayor Riley announced the motion carried. (Councilmember Carmen Sanchez was absent.)

Upcoming Important Events:

a) City Office Closure on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day
b) Street dedication to Audie L. Murphy Way on Memorial Day, May 25, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the LV Conference Center area
c) Hog Wild, May 29th in San Marcos
d) Boards/Commission/Committee Appointments, June 16th
e) Next Coffee with the Mayor and Council, July 25th

Mayor Riley asked that everyone please note the upcoming events.

Citizens to be Heard

- Gail Tribble, 6003 N. Forest Bend, Ms. Tribble congratulated all of the new Councilmembers. Ms. Tribble also invited all to the next LVACC luncheon at Native Wings on May 20th. The next mixer will be held at Bandera Bowl on May 28th.
- Lyn Joseph, 6423 Trotter, congratulated all of the new Councilmembers.

Adjournment

Mayor Riley announced the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

These minutes approved by the Leon Valley City Council on the 2nd of June, 2015.

APPROVED

CHRIS RILEY
MAYOR

ATTEST:  
SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC  
CITY SECRETARY