



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**
Leon Valley City Council Chambers
6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas 78238
Monday, October 03, 2016

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Leon Valley, Texas met on the 3rd day of October, 2016 at the Leon Valley City Council Chambers located at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas for the purpose of the following business.

Call to order.

Mayor Chris Riley called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Riley asked that the minutes reflect that the following members of City Council were present: Council Members David Edwards, Monica Alcocer, Belinda Ealy, Benny Martinez and David Jordan.

Also in attendance were:

City Manager Kelly Kuenstler, ACM/HR Director Crystal Caldera, City Secretary Sandra Passailaigue, City Attorney Denise Frederick, Public Works Director Melinda Moritz, Assistant Public Works Director David Dimaline, Communication Director Kristie Flores, Fire Chief Luis Valdez, Police Chief Joseph Salvaggio, Assistant Police Chief Ruben Saucedo, as well as Leon Valley Fire and Police staff.

Citizens to Be Heard and Time for Objections to the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Riley asked if any of the Council Members wished to pull any item from the Consent Agenda for discussion. Council Member Monica Alcocer pulled Item 7 of the consent agenda.

- Shirley Jonas, 6523 Sally Agee, representing the Northwest Seniors Club wanted the City Council to know how many fundraisers this group organizes and they are upset that they were not notified that the Ciclovía event will be held during their upcoming fundraiser.
- Larry Orozco, 6758 Timberhill, loud vehicles going through his neighborhood and asked that the City enforce the noise ordinance. Mr. Orozco also asked for speed

regulations or signage. Mr. Orozco said he also supports Ms. Jonas and said he would go door to door to let people know what the Northwest Seniors Club does.

- Norma Solis, 6435 Huebner Road, concerned with the proposed park survey. Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director informed Ms. Solis that the Park Commission will be discussing this issue on the 11th and also that if anyone received the survey but was missing the second sheet, Public Works will gladly get them a copy.
- Kevin Hakala, 4928 Althea Drive, will resubmit the petition for speed humps on behalf of the property owners of Althea Drive.

Presentation of a Proclamation of Outstanding Community Service to Michael Robledo and all volunteers of the September 17, 2016 Neighborhood Renewal Program Project. (Mayor Riley)

Mayor Riley and City Manager Kelly Kuentler spoke highly of Michael Robledo and all of his hard work. Mayor Riley then continued by handing out certificates to all volunteers from Home Depot. David Dimaline, Assistant Public Works Director announced that the next Neighborhood Renewal Program (NRP) project will be held on February 25, 2017.

Presentation in appreciation for 1 year of service to Ray Lacy, Assistant Chief of Police. (Mayor Riley)

Mayor Riley presented Ray Lacy with a certificate of appreciation. Police Chief Joseph Salvaggio, on behalf of the LVPD, presented Mr. Lacy a plaque in appreciation for his service.

Presentation of a Proclamation declaring October as Fire Prevention Month in Leon Valley (L. Valdez)

Mayor Riley presented a proclamation to Fire Chief Luis Valdez and Captain Oscar Valdez.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of City Council Minutes. (S. Passailaigue)

- a) September 06, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting**
- b) September 20, 2016 Special City Council Meeting**
- c) September 20, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting**

A motion was made by Council Member Monica Alcocer and seconded by Council Member Benny Martinez, to approve Consent Agenda Item #6 (September 06, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes, September 20, 2016 Special City Council Minutes, and September 20, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes) as presented. Upon a unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Consider, discuss and possible action on Resolution No. 16-029R appointing members to various boards/committees/commissions. M&C #2016-10-03-01 (S. Passailaigue)

Council Member Monica Alcocer expressed her concern with appointing to the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) because in the past interviews were conducting when it came to the EDC.

- Olen Yarnell questioned what the EDC Bylaws state with regards to alternates moving up. Council Member Alcocer explained that alternates replace board members.

A motion was made by Council Member Monica Alcocer and seconded by Council Member Benny Martinez, to appoint applicants to Earthwise Living Committee and the Zoning Committee but to postpone appointment to the Economic Development Corporation until interviews are conducted. Upon a unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Monica Alcocer and seconded by Council Member Benny Martinez, to approve Resolution No. 16-029R as amended. Upon a unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. Conduct a public hearing, consider, discuss and possible action to adopt an Ordinance for Specific Use Permit Case #2016-276, to allow operation of "Entertainment - Outdoor," specifically to amend a condition requiring the use of permeable pavers in parking areas, being approximately 4.10 acres of land, CB 4430, Leon Valley Homesites Subdivision, generally located at 5504 Shadow Mist Drive, in a B-1 (Small Business) zoning district.

Mayor Riley informed everyone that this item has been postponed until further notice.

Consider, discuss and possible action on S. R. Hodges Subdivision traffic calming options. M&C 2016-10-03-02 (M. Moritz)

Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director presented the item in order for City Council to consider possible traffic calming measures for the S. R. Hodges Subdivision, which includes both Hodges and Althea streets. Director Moritz said that in May of 2016, the City Council considered a request and petition from the Hodges Street residents to close one end of their street. City staff was directed to perform several items, including the procurement of a formal traffic study of Hodges Drive. In August, the City Council received the traffic study recommendation options, which included converting the street to a one-way street during certain hours, the installation of speed humps (upon receipt of acceptable petition), no through truck traffic signage, and reducing speed limit to 20 mph. The residents requested to have Hodges changed to a one-way street at all times, along with all the other options.

Staff was directed to obtain a revised traffic study to determine whether or not the one way street at all times option was recommended. There was also a concern that if Hodges was addressed, the cut-through traffic would then transfer to Althea Drive. Staff contacted the engineer and asked to have the study revised to include the Hodges one-way street at all times option and to determine if Althea also qualified for these traffic calming measures. The study was performed and the engineer concluded that all options were suitable for both streets, although at this time, Althea does not meet the 400 vehicles per day criteria for speed humps (362 vehicles per day). According to the speed hump policy, a variance may be given, if first approved by the City Engineer, Fire Chief, and Police Chief. A meeting was held with the residents from Althea and those in attendance requested that the same measures be applied to their street. Althea Drive is located in both the City of Leon Valley and the City of San Antonio (COSA). The portion of Althea Drive in COSA city limits includes 3 properties. For this reason, the City would have to have an agreement with COSA for conversion of the street to one-way and to prohibit through truck traffic. We can reduce the speed limit to 20 miles per hour and provide speed humps in the Leon Valley city limits without COSA involvement. Director Moritz concluded the presentation with a revised recommendation which was Option 4 – Conversion of both streets to a One-Way street, from Bandera to Evers Road, speed hump installation, reduction of speed limit to 20 mph, and prohibition of through truck traffic. This would include: implementation time less than 6 months (Hodges only – Althea will take more time), highest negative impact to community, low cost (signage & maintenance), need to amend traffic ordinance, and enhanced by prominent law enforcement. The fiscal impact of this project would be the speed humps which are estimated to cost \$4500 per set, which would be taken from the Fiscal Year 2017 budget, signage at approximately \$70 per sign, and all items listed can be funded from the approved Fiscal Year 2017 Public Works budget. The staff is recommending that City Council approve changes to Hodges street, to include speed reduction to 20 mph, speed humps, prohibit through truck traffic, and change street to be one-way at all times, from Bandera to Evers; and approve changes to Althea Street to include speed reduction to 20 mph, obtain petition from property owners along Althea for speed humps, prohibit through truck traffic, and work with property owners and City of San Antonio to change street to a one-way at all times, from Bandera to Evers.

- Mrs. Mercado said she is very thankful that the City is doing something.
- Mr. Hakala asked questions regarding who can sign the petition. Mr. Hakala added that both property owners that are located on Althea but in San Antonio were “on board” with this.

A motion was made by Council Member David Jordan and seconded by Council Member Monica Alcocer, to approve Option 4 as presented. Upon a unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Conduct a public hearing, consider, discuss and possible action to adopt an Ordinance for Specific Use Permit Case #2016-277, to allow operation of a “Convenience Store - (24-hour),” being approximately 1.6950 acres of land, CB 9925A, Seneca Estates Subdivision, generally located at 6461 Bandera Road, in a B-2 (Retail) zoning district within the Sustainability Overlay District. M&C 2016-10-03-03 (K. Flores)

Kelly Kuenstler, City Manager announced that this item has been withdrawn by the applicant.

Consider, discuss and possible action to adopt an Ordinance for Sign Variance #2016-001, a request by Stripes Convenience Store to grant variances to allow a monument sign measuring 12-feet tall, with a sign face of 76 square feet, and an overall size structure of 215 square feet, to be generally located at 6461 Bandera Road. M&C 2016-10-03-04 (K. Flores)

Kelly Kuenstler, City Manager announced that this item has been withdrawn by the applicant.

Consider, discuss and possible action for adding agenda items for October 22nd Coffee with the Mayor and City Council. (K. Kuenstler)

- Nelda Ball, 5912 Grass Hill Drive would like to discuss noise, odor and an open gate at the business (Performance HQ) behind her home.
- Olen Yarnell would like to use the Coffee to begin “planting seeds for the Public Works building improvements”.

A motion was made by Council Member Monica Alcocer and seconded by Council Member David Edwards, to add a discussion item on Performance HQ as requested by Nelda Ball. Upon a unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Council Member Belinda Ealy suggested that we invite the business owner. City Manager Kelly Kuenstler agreed.

City Manager’s Report:

a) Approved Minutes from Boards, Commissions and Committees

b) Upcoming Important Events:

- **Coffee with the Mayor and City Council, Saturday, October 22, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Leon Valley Conference Center.**
- **October 29, 2016, Ciclovía at Raymond Rimkus Park from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**
- **November 05, 2016 Texas Recycles Day from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Leon Valley Public Works.**
- **Special Election – Early Voting October 29th – November 4th. Election Day November 8th**

Citizens to be heard.

Irene Baldrige asked if there was anything that the Northwest Seniors Club and the Ciclovía could agree on that would please both groups.

Vickie Jamvold, 7203 Poss Road, spoke about the red curb in front of her home which she said was done in 2005 to keep vehicles from parking too close to the corner. This occurred frequently when the parking lot at Raymond Rimkus Park was full.

Announcements by the Mayor and Council Members.

Council Member David Edwards thanked everyone for participating in National Night Out.

Council Member Monica Alcocer said she commends all of the residents that participated in National Night Out.

Council Member Benny Martinez also thanked everyone for participating in National Night Out. Also, the Chamber will be hosting Octoberfest and Casino Night this coming Friday at the Conference Center.

Council Member David Jordan thanked everyone for participating in National Night Out. Good comradery and good food!

Council Member Belinda Ealy thanked everyone for participating in National Night Out and her wonderful escorts.

Mayor Riley thanked everyone for participating in National Night Out. Mayor Riley spoke on behalf of the Hillje's who thanked everyone for coming out.

Adjournment.

Mayor Riley announced the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

These minutes approved by the Leon Valley City Council on the 18th of October, 2016.

APPROVED



**CHRIS RILEY
MAYOR**

ATTEST: 
**SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY**

