Call to Order.

Mayor Riley called the Special City Council Workshop Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. and asked that the minutes reflect that all members of Council were present: Garcia, Reyna, Baldridge, Dean, and Nelson.

City Manager Lambert, City Secretary Feutz, Community Development Director Flores, Fire Chief Irwin, Human Resources Officer/Assistant City Secretary Caldera, and City Attorney McKamie were also present. Consulting City Engineer Sia Sayyadi and Stormwater Management Consultant Bob Tome were also present.

Presentation and discussion on new DFIRM maps and on actions to follow. (Bob Tome/Representatives from the San Antonio River Authority (SARA)/Flores).

San Antonio River Authority representative, Daniel Aguilar, Watershed Engineer, addressed Council providing a brief history of the planned adoption of the floodplain changes which began with preliminary maps in September 2007. Mr. Aguilar explained the causes for floodplain changes throughout the nation: undated terrain data with changes of contour heights, land use and land cover changes, and increases in the 100-year (1% chance) precipitation total based on updated statistical analysis. Mr. Aguilar explained that failure of the City to adopt the new “DFIRM” - Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps may result in suspension of benefits for residents of Leon Valley to be able to access subsidized flood insurance and for the community to access federal disaster aid. Mr. Aguilar explained the homeowners now affected by the floodplain map changes may be required to buy flood insurance and some who will no longer be in the floodplain and may be able to drop flood insurance coverage. He encouraged all to check with their lenders to insure that their floodplain status is updated. He noted that the new DFIRMs will become effective September 29, 2010 and residents who sign up for flood insurance now, before their home is designated as being in the floodplain, will receive lower flood insurance rates before September 29, 2010, and those rates are grandfathered.

Mayor Riley asked if the Bexar County flood and drainage improvements would change the maps in the future. Steve Graham, Assistant General Manager of SARA, explained that once floodplain area improvements are completed, maps can be reviewed for changes. Art Villarreal, Bexar County Flood Control Division Manager, addressed Council reporting that the Bexar County LC 17 changes to the Huebner Creek channel, from the west of Bandera Road to the city limits, will be submitted to FEMA once the project is completed. Mr. Villarreal also commended the City Council and the citizens of Leon Valley for their cooperation with the LC 17 project and encouraged the City to look at how the new DFIRM will affect the City.

Councilman Garcia asked how to use the map at www.bexarfloodfacts.org to see if properties are removed from the floodplain or will be included in the new floodplain area. A demonstration followed.
Discussion followed with City Council asking if the citizens in Leon Valley were notified of changes in the floodplain area. SARA representatives explained that public meetings on the map changes were posted, but the City Council expressed their concern that all Leon Valley residents be made aware of the upcoming changes so that they can be prepared.

City Manager Lambert also reported that the City had been asked by Daniel Bee not to approve the DFIRM changes unless changes were made to the area above Aids Drive. City Engineer Sayyadi stated that he could not find any evidence to Mr. Bee’s claim that construction on one property had changed a culvert and drainage. He also reported that elevations checked do not match what is being claimed by Mr. Bee.

City Attorney McKamey stated that claims or documentation not done by a certified engineer regarding a floodplain map, should not be a cause to change a floodplain map. Mr. Villarreal stated that as further drain surveys of drainage into Huebner Creek proceed, Bexar County will look at how drainage comes from that subdivision to the Huebner Creek to insure that it drains into the Huebner Creek in a safe manner. He also stated that Bexar County deals only with property owners if anything is needed.

Community Development Director Flores explained that the ordinance needed to adopt the DFIRM was supplied by the Texas Water Development Board and SARA, and allows only the addition of the date adopted, the map supplied to us, and our name to be put into this ordinance. She explained that once the DFIRM is adopted by ordinance by the City, it will be sent to FEMA. Ms. Flores also noted that three public meetings had been held with the cooperation of Bexar County, SARA, and FEMA and the public was notified of those meetings over the last three years.

City Engineer Sayyadi noted changes in the DFIRM will affect the floodplain in the area south of Loop 410 at Bandera - the School of Science and Technology area - and also some areas north of Canterfield Subdivision and at the City’s library. The map that is accessible from the SARA website for the public shows current and future floodplain limits in Leon Valley. Council again emphasized the need to notify residents of the changes to their properties in the floodplain and asked that all property owners who have property that will be within the 500 year floodplain area be notified by postcard.

Mayor Riley thanked the presenters for the information.

Adjourn.

Hearing no further business or discussion, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilmember Dean, seconded by Councilmember Nelson. Mayor Riley announced the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m. and she announced the Regular City Council meeting would begin at 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:00P.M.

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Riley called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and asked that the minutes reflect that all the members of City Council were present: Garcia, Reyna, Dean,
Baldrige, Dean, and Nelson.

City Manager Lambert, City Secretary Feutz, Fire Chief Irwin, Community Development Director Flores, Library Director Trent, Human Resources Officer/Assistant City Secretary Caldera, Grant Writer Word, Administrative Assistant Gomez, and City Attorney McKamie were also present.

Mayor Riley wished everyone “Happy Fiesta” and welcomed American Heritage Girls Troop 2407 member Cecily Lowe to the meeting. Mayor Riley announced that Ms. Lowe was working on her “Citizenship in Government” badge and she invited Ms. Lowe to lead the assembled group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation of Employee of the Month Award (City Manager Lambert).

City Manager Lambert presented a boxed commemorative Employee Excellence Award to Edward Tijerina, Code Enforcement Officer, and named him the April Employee of the Month for Leon Valley. Mr. Lambert reported that Mr. Tijerina came to the City of Leon Valley with over 20 years of code enforcement experience and that since his arrival in Leon Valley, Mr. Tijerina has increased code enforcement activity by over 110%. Mr. Lambert reported that graffiti, weeds, and other compliance with other City codes are monitored by Mr. Tijerina as abatement and correction of violations is worked. Mr. Lambert stated that Mr. Tijerina turned in over 215 abatements in the month of March 2010. The City Council and audience gave Mr. Tijerina a standing ovation.

Presentation by Bexar County Flood Control Division Manager A. Villarreal to provide an update on the Bexar County Flood Control - Huebner Creek Enhanced Conveyance (LC-17) Project.

Bexar County Flood Control Division Manager Art Villarreal thanked the City Council and the citizens of Leon Valley for their cooperation in the buyout process for the LC 17 flood control project. He reported that the property buy-out appraisals were delivered to property owners by the end of January as requested by City Council and within two months forty property owners, of the fifty properties to be included in the buyout, have already signed up for the buyout.

Mr. Villarreal provided technical answers to questions raised on other options for the flood control rather than the displacement of residents for the LC 17 project. He reported that in 2002, the City of Leon Valley had asked Bexar County to look at flood control on Huebner Creek following the flooding in 1998. Mr. Villarreal provided slides illustrating the floodplain and flood way channels in Leon Valley and explained that when the project was being studied, phases and segments were assigned to various projects for the watershed flood improvement plan that were merely labels to differentiate the projects being considered between Loop 410 to Bandera Road in both Leon Valley and San Antonio; they were not time line phases. Mr. Villarreal explained that area needed to provide retention space for 1900 acre feet of flood water upstream from the El Verde/Jeff Loop areas could not realistically provide relief to the Jeff Loop/El Verde Road residents. He also explained why deepening the creek channel could not be considered due to geological issues such as water table height and a very flat land slope which would not permit the channel to be deepened enough for flood water retention and then drainage of the water. Explanations were also given and illustrated to explain other options considered that would not provide a solution to the floodplain dangers for El Verde/Jeff Loop residents including straightening the channel, choosing properties on the south side of Huebner
Creek rather than El Verde/Jeff Loop properties, or providing a flood wall to protect those properties.

Mr. Villarreal reported that negotiations are underway for the project design, but buyouts were moving forward faster than expected, and he estimated that some level of construction would begin in mid-2011. He stated that Bexar County is working closely with Leon Valley’s Code Enforcement and Community Development notifying the City when a house is vacated and after abatement to then begin demolition. He stated that Bexar County will be responsible for keeping the lots clean and maintained after Bexar County has taken over the property. He estimated that it will be 12-18 months for construction.

In response to a question from Councilman Reyna’s question about any other buyouts in the flood area, Mr. Villarreal stated that it is Bexar County’s policy to leave a neighborhood intact as much as possible and the County is not pursuing any additional purchases on the north side of El Verde except for 1-2 lots to allow for proper drainage flow from Grissom Road.

Councilman Garcia asked about plans for future flood remedies east of Bandera Road. Mr. Villarreal recommended that Leon Valley contact Bexar County and the BRWM to ask for assistance on other flood control measures for the future. He also reported that he had confirmed that the areas east of Bandera Road will not experience water reduction or improvements once the LC 17 project below Bandera Road are completed.

Mayor Riley thanked Mr. Villarreal and Bexar County for their work with the El Verde/Jeff Loop Road residents.

Citizens to be heard and time for objections to the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Riley asked Councilmembers if they wished for anything on the Consent Agenda to be removed for further discussion. Councilmember Reyna asked that agenda items # 5 - regarding the minutes and #7 - involving a legal services contract with McKamie Krueger, L.L. P. to be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Hearing no further objections, Mayor Riley asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak for the “Citizens to the Heard” portion of the meeting.

Ted Borcherding, a Senior District Executive of the Alamo Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, addressed Council asking that the Boy Scouts be allowed to use the City’s civic center for their Council’s award banquet with rental and cleanup fees to be waived. He stated that he wants to find a home for this annual banquet and work with the City.

The City Manager explained that there are hundreds of worthwhile non-profit groups, and although the City supports the Scouts, there is a process for asking for help with rental fees and that he could contact Mr. Borcherding in the next week to further discuss the matter. No action was taken by Council.

Seeing no one else come forward for the “Citizens to be heard” portion of the meeting, Mayor Riley asked for a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda

Consider action on M&C # 04-07-10 with attached ordinance -a request to
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 approve a budget adjustment of $500.00 to authorize Trade and Market Day sponsorship monies collected in FY2009 to be used in FY2010 (Ryan).

Consider approval of Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2010 (Lambert).

A motion was made by Councilman Reyna, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed above. Upon unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried for Consent Agenda items numbered 6 and 8, listed above, were approved.

Action Agenda

Consider action to approve minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 6, 2010 (Feutz).

A motion was made by Councilman Reyna, seconded by Councilman Garcia, to approve the amended minutes that were provided to Council at the dais. Upon vote, Mayor Riley announced the minutes were approved.

Consider action on M&C # 04-08-10 - a request to approve the Memorandum of Understanding to extend an existing contract for legal services - with changes in fees, for another two-years (beginning October 1, 2010) with McKamie Krueger, L.L.P. (Mayor Riley).

Mayor Riley stated that after the discussion from the last City Council meeting, she discussed a service agreement with City Attorney McKamie. She reported that Mr. McKamie agreed to keep his monthly retainer fee of $2600/month but will increase special project hourly rates from $200/hr. to $225/hr. for Mr. McKamie and for his associates from $165/hr. to $175/hr. She noted that she heard at the last meeting Council's comments recommending a contract for a two-year period and that at the end of five years, the City would seek proposals.

Councilman Reyna expressed his objections to the process used for negotiating the proposed two-year contract that would increase hourly rates for special projects. Councilmembers offered their opinions as that what they expected was going to happen in negotiating the contract and whether the Mayor was to negotiate the contract of if other options should be considered.

City Attorney McKamie stated that there is no State Law that applies to obtaining legal services; it is up the Council on how they wish to contract that. He stated that he had spoken with the Mayor after the last meeting and that his proposed contract offered deep discounts and kept the same monthly retainer fee for the next two years for Leon Valley.

Councilmember Dean stated that it was his understanding the Mayor would negotiate the contract and he felt the increase was small and it was his opinion that Council had generally agreed that in two more years, the City would go out for a bid/proposal for a new contract.

Councilman Reyna asked for clarification on a clause in the contract regarding the contract expiring in two years and asked if a seated Council decides to end a contract during that period, the Council can end the contract. City Attorney McKamie agreed that was so and that the proposed contract was agreeing to holding the general representation monthly retainer to the same rate as this year for the next two years.
A motion was made by Councilman Dean, seconded by Councilmember Baldridge, to approve the contract as negotiated by the Mayor for two years for legal services. Upon voice vote, three (3) votes were cast in favor of the motion and two (2) votes were cast against the motion. Mayor Riley announced the motion carried by a vote of 3 to 2.

Consider action on M&C 04-09-10 with attached ordinance - a request to repeal and replace Code of Ordinances, Chapter 3, “Building Regulations,” Article 3.03, “Flood Damage Prevention,” and providing a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25), nor more than five hundred dollars ($500)(Flores).

Mayor Riley stated that this action item was a follow-on agenda item from the DFIRM discussion with the San Antonio River Authority in the workshop which preceded this meeting.

Community Development Director Flores addressed Council stating that the proposed ordinance is due by September 29, 2010 to FEMA in order for the residents of Leon Valley to be able to continue to access the FEMA Flood Insurance program. She explained that the ordinance approves the updated flood damage prevention regulations and the flood maps for Leon Valley and addresses all FEMA and Texas Water Development Board requirements. She explained that the reason for expediting this action item is because after Council approved the ordinance and maps will then go back to the Water Board and FEMA for final review and acceptance by FEMA before September 29, 2010.

Mayor Riley and the Council expressed their support for notifying residents that will be affected by the changed floodplain maps. Councilmembers asked that residents who will be affected by the changes in the floodplain maps be notified by postcard of the new FEMA map changes.

A motion was made by Councilman Reyna, seconded by Councilman Garcia, to approve the ordinance and maps as proposed. Upon vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Consider action on M&C 04-10-10 with attached ordinance - a request to amend the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, “Zoning,” Section 14.02.501, “Landscaping,” Subsection 14.02.501 (j), “Tree Preservation,” to add provisions for Oak Wilt Disease Prevention and providing for a penalty of not less than fifty dollars ($50), nor more than two hundred fifty dollars ($250), with each day the violation occurs being a separate offense (Flores).

A. Public hearing.
Community Development Director Flores addressed Council reporting that in November 2009, Council asked the Tree Advisory Board (TAB) and the Zoning Commission to re-evaluate provisions in an earlier proposed ordinance for oak wilt prevention to include: public education rather than fines, the level of expense for cutting/pruning trees, and excessive fines. She reported that the TAB reviewed and amended the ordinance and then it was forwarded to the Zoning Commission for review and it made recommendations. Ms. Flores commented the review has been evaluated by both groups, the TAB and the Commission, until tonight’s final recommendations are presented. Ms. Flores presented the revisions recommended: direction as to who to call if oak wilt is suspected, inclusion of an annual permit for contractors of $30 annually, and addresses only proper disposal of red oak trees, and included a section for education and management programs.

Zoning Commission Chairman Guerra reported that on March 23, 2010, the Zoning Commission
recommended with unanimous approval the presented the oak wilt prevention ordinance. He noted that requiring a permitting process for contractors will require the contractor to attend training provided by the City, and for the contractors to carry liability insurance. He also reported that strict requirements for covering tree wounds in the earlier ordinance have been removed because the Commission felt they were too onerous.

Councilman Garcia expressed his objection to the requirement for a permit for tree contractors. Chairman Guerra stated that it was the goal to prevent oak wilt by having a trained and insured contractors. Ms. Flores stated that the ordinance does not require residents to obtain a permit, but contractors are required to obtain a permit. Paul Johnson, Texas Forest Service, recommended not limiting the permit to just oak tree cutting because the requirement protects the citizens by requiring contractors to have insurance and it helps to educate contractors to cut trees safely. He also stated that tree service is one of the top five most dangerous professions in the United States, and the requirement for contractors to carry insurance protects the residents and the requirement for continuing education will keep the contractors updated in good techniques for safe tree cutting in the City. City Attorney McKamie confirmed there can be legal liability for the homeowner with contractors who are not insured.

Councilmembers discussed whether the addition of an annual $30 fee for contractors to cut trees in Leon Valley was a hardship to the citizens or whether a small fee to be paid by residents who will be required to notify the City when trees are going to be cut was an option.

Mayor Riley opened the public hearing at 8:16 p.m. and invited the public to speak on the subject.

Resident Al Uvietta addressed Council reporting his observations of tree trimmers routinely coming into the neighborhoods and pruning trees at the wrong time of year and not sealing tree cuts. 

Hearing no one else, Mayor Riley closed the public hearing at 8:20 p.m.

B. Council to consider action on ordinance.
A motion was made by Councilman Reyna, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to approve the ordinance as presented. Upon unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried and the ordinance approved.

Consider action on M&C 04-11-10 - a request by Keller Custom Signs, agent for Speedy Cash, applicant, for a variance to use the free-standing pole sign at Bandera Road and Huebner Road, located at 7007 Bandera Road, being Lot 10, Block 1, CB 4446G, Clear Creek Village Subdivision(Flores).

Community Development Director Flores presented case information for the variance request by Angelo Grissaffi of Keller Custom Signs to use the free-standing pole sign at Bandera Road and Huebner Road. She provided the history of a previous sign variance approved in 2007 in which the sign use was approved for Center tenant Northwest Pediatric Associates until that tenant moved out. She reported that the sign was never used by Northwest Pediatric Associates and the sign panels have been blank for quite awhile and the pediatric office has not vacated the shopping center. Ms. Flores stated that Speedy Cash would use the free-standing pole sign at 7007 Bandera Road for a sign measuring 198.22 square feet and will remain 30-feet in height. She stated that the Sign Code allows a sign face measuring up to 375-square feet and a
maximum sign height of 60-feet.

Council discussed options to limit the variance in the future. The City Attorney provided an observation stating that someone can take this sign down without the variance, and under the current ordinance put up a larger and taller sign as the new sign would still be in compliance with the Code because another sign on the site for the Shell Gas Station had been removed from the site bringing the number of signs on the property into compliance.

Ms. Flores stated that the overlay district monument sign requirements do not affect this sign unless the shopping center is making development improvements to 51% of the property. Councilman Reyna expressed his surprise that the overlay district does not affect signs in this case and suggested that the sign provisions in the overlay district should be evaluated again.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Baldridge, seconded by Councilman Reyna, to approve the variance requested from Keller Custom Signs for Speedy Cash only for the life of that current tenant’s lease. Upon unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Mayor Riley thanked the agent for the business for installing walkway trail between the business and the Leon Valley Villas.

Mayor Riley asked for a short recess at 8:34 p.m. There were no objections. Mayor Riley reconvened the Council at 8:40 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

Consider action in M&C # 04-12-10 - with attached Resolution - a request to revise the current Investment Policy (Lambert).

City Manager Lambert stated that after visiting with the an investment broker referred by Councilman Reyna, he is requesting some different investment instruments be added to the City’s investment policy. He reported that in 1987, the Public Funds Investment Act established rules and regulations for governmental entities to follow for the proper investment of public monies. Mr. Lambert recommended removing current policy verbiage that limits the City’s investment maturities to not exceed two years at the time of purchase to the following wording: “The City intends to match the holding period of investment funds with liquidity needs of the City. In no case will the average maturity of investments of the City’s operating funds exceed one year. The maximum final stated maturity of any investment shall not exceed five years.”

Mr. Lambert also explained that the changes would add the following types of investments as authorized investments: “Certificates of deposit issued by a state or federal credit union. Obligations of the States, agencies thereof, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state having been rated as investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm, and having received a rating of not less then “A” or its equivalent.” Mr. Lambert stated that he hopes with these changes the City will experience a better return on investments. Mr. Lambert thanked Councilman Reyna for introducing the broker to the City.

A motion was made by Councilman Garcia, seconded by Councilman Reyna, to adopt the revisions to the City’s Investment Policy as presented. Upon unanimous vote, Mayor Riley announced the motion carried.

Discussion Agenda
City Manager's report.

Mr. Lambert stated that Intern Rey Milan had a contractor bring a few sample monitors to see if Council was happy with the choices. Councilmembers discussed that they did not want a monitor to obstruct the view between the Council and their audience. Councilman Reyna suggested a shorter adjustable monitor that may be about flush with the top of the nameplates atop the dais.

The City Manager updated Council on the slurry seal contractor’s progress along Forest Haven, Forest Pine, and Forest Moss this week, the beginning of the five miles being completed this year. He also reported that the work on Poss Road is moving slowly.

Mr. Lambert also reported that the funding applied for by Grant Writer Kathryn Word was approved for the SECO project for $114,000 for weatherization of City Hall bringing the total funding available for the weatherization project to $175,000.

A. Followup on the sustainability overlay district revisions and any additional costs from City Attorney and Halff Associates.

Mr. Lambert reported that he requested Halff Associates provide a proposal for the Phase II and options for revising the north end of the overlay district. Mr. Lambert stated that a proposal will be brought back to Council for action at the next meeting, but that Halff Associates stated that they would not charge for the overlay district revision options for the north end of Bandera Road. He noted that work to update the Park Master Plan must begin immediately to meet the deadlines for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant so he would have Halff Associates begin work now.

Mr. Lambert asked the City Attorney would there be any extra charges for the overlay district changes. Mr. McKamie stated that he would work with staff and that he didn’t expect any unusual expenses as staff submits the ordinance for his office to review.

B. Monthly Department Reports for March 2010.

Fire Department to give oral monthly report

Chief Irwin reported on the Fire Department’s monthly activities for March 2010. He reported that the Department responded to 171 incidents about the same as for the same period in 2009. Chief Irwin reported on a house fire and a vehicle fire that occurred in the City in March and also reported on responses to two hazardous material incidents. He reported that EMS responded to 99 incidents with 72 patients being transported to local hospitals. The number of fire inspections reported for this month was higher than for 2009 with 123 inspections completed by the Deputy Fire Marshall. Chief Irwin described the training of staff, arson investigators, firefighter/paramedics, the Assistant Chief, and the testing of staff competing for promotion to a vacant Fire Engineer position. Chief Irwin described meetings attended and provided an update on the status of five department vehicles who had repairs in March. Statistical data on personnel leave, responses, fire prevention stats, on-duty injuries, and emergency incidents were presented to the Council.

Mayor Riley thanked the Chief for an comprehensive report. Councilman Garcia complimented the Fire Department for their work with hazardous materials assistance and leadership in that field of service. Council and the audience applauded Chief Irwin and the Fire Department’s achievements.
Mr. Lambert reported that the City is doing better this year with ad valorem revenues and sales tax income was up slightly. He stated that fines, fees, and permit revenues were catching up to expected levels. Councilman Reyna asked if the increases were due to the online payment options and if the city tracked that. Mr. Lambert stated that the City Accountant tracked how much is being collected from on-line payments. He also reported that Super 8 Motel was declaring bankruptcy and that could hurt the City’s hotel occupancy tax revenue and he reported that conference center rentals are down some, but could possibly be attributed to the down time with the new floor installation in January. Mr. Lambert reported that all funds were in good order and that staff was watching their budgets carefully as the second half of the fiscal year begins.

D. Early Voting for May 8, 2010 General Election to be held at Kinman House beginning April 26, 2010
City Secretary Feutz reminded everyone of the dates and times for early voting by personal appearance for the General Election. She stated that the ballot for Leon Valley voters would be for both the Leon Valley General Election and the NISD Bond Election.

Citizens to be heard.
No one appeared.

Announcements by Councilmembers and Mayor.

A. Thank you’s from Councilmember Nelson
Councilmember Nelson described the outstanding support from the police and fire personnel and thanked them for being observant and providing a quick response to the fire in her home. She recognized the work done by staff members and credited them for saving the shell of her home and she thanked everyone in the community for their support.

B. Report on TML Region 7 Meeting (Councilman Reyna)
Councilman Reyna reported that the TML Region 7 meeting was held in the Schertz Civic Center on April 15, 2010 and described the events for that meeting to include a question and answer session prior to the dinner. He passed on commemorative coins given to him by the City of Live Oak on their 50th anniversary that will be added to the City Hall display case. He announced that the next TML Region 7 meeting would be held at Balcones Heights in September or October beginning on a Friday evening with training sessions to be scheduled for Saturday morning.

C. Report on Volunteer Appreciation Event
Mayor Riley thanked Council, staff, and volunteers for a great event.

D. Rainwater Catchment Program and exhibit - May 1, 2010 - 9 am - 1 pm
Mayor Riley reminded everyone about this program to be held at the Conference Center and invited everyone to attend.

E. HSLV Pioneer Ice Cream Social - May 2, 2010 - 2 pm - 4 pm
Councilmember Baldridge invited everyone to attend the second Pioneer Ice Cream Social on Sunday, May 2, 2010 at the Huebner-Onion Homestead and Stagecoach Stop. She described the activities planned for all ages and she stated the event is being co-sponsored by Northside

F. Trade & Market Day - May 8, 2010 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
Mayor Riley reminded everyone of the next Trade and Market Day coming on May 8th.

G. Pet Parade and Pet Responsibility Week - May 15, 2010 - 10 am - 1 pm
Mayor Riley reported that the Animal Control Officer would be holding the Pet Parade on May 15th on the grounds of the Community and Conference Centers.

Mayor Riley reported on the upcoming meeting with the MPO on the environmental impact statement for US 281.

I. EPA Region 6 Community Meeting on Bandera Road Ground Water Plume Superfund Site - April 22, 2010 from 7 pm - 8 pm at the Conference Center.
Mayor Riley reminded everyone that after the 5:30 p.m. Community Advisory Group meeting, a public meeting would be held to inform the public on the EPA’s progress with regards to the superfund site.

Mayor Riley reported on the Council workshop held on Saturday, April 17, 2010 and thanked Council, staff, and the citizens who came out to work on updating the strategic plan.

Adjourn.

Hearing no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Dean, seconded by Councilmember Nelson to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Riley announced the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Mayor Chris Riley

ATTEST:

City Secretary Marie Feutz

Approved by unanimous vote of City Council at the Regular City Council Meeting of May 4, 2010.