



**CITY OF LEON VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**
Leon Valley City Council Chambers
6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, TX 78238
Tuesday, July 12, 2022

MINUTES

6:02 PM Call to Order; Determine a Quorum is Present, Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status
Chris Riley	City of Leon Valley	Mayor	Present
Benny Martinez	City of Leon Valley	Council Place 1	Present
Josh Stevens	City of Leon Valley	Council Place 2	Present
Jed Hefner	City of Leon Valley	Council Place 3	Present
Rey Orozco	City of Leon Valley	Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4	Present
Will Bradshaw	City of Leon Valley	Council Place 5	Present

Mayor Chris Riley called the meeting to order announced that a quorum of City Council was present in Council Chambers.

Mayor Chris Riley announced that because it is his birthday today, she would ask Councilor Josh Stevens to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Those who spoke at this time were: Kathy Hill (Leon Valley) on behalf of the Leon Valley Historical Society; and Erick Matta (Leon Valley)

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of a Good Neighbor Award to Boy Scout, Samuel Redman, Troop 2020

Mayor Chris Riley introduced the Redman family and then presented Boy Scout, Samuel Redman of Troop 2020 with a Good Neighbor Award. Samuel prepared and presented the Leon Valley Police Department and members of City Council with Individual Aid Kits.

Samuel is the son of Leon Valley Police Officer Chris Redman who is also the Troop Master.

RESULT: PRESENTED

Veterans Memorial Park Enhancement Options (M&C # 2022-06-21-4870 M. Moritz)

Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director presented options for the proposed Veterans Memorial Park enhancement options.

There was a brief discussion and Mayor Chris Riley, and members of City Council gave their suggestions.

Director Moritz will take this feedback back and discuss it with Mr. Daniel Rodriguez and bring this item back to a future agenda for further consideration.

RESULT: PRESENTED

Presentation and Possible Action on Pay Increases for Police, Fire, Public Works, and Court Personnel (M&C # 2022-07-12-4892 Councilmen Orozco and Martinez)

Mayor Chris Riley introduced the item by first "clarifying that although the agenda states that the item was brought forward by Councilors Orozco and Martinez, it was actually Councilor Martinez that brought it up first that we should go ahead and try to fund our police, fire, and public works, and court personnel and not wait until the fiscal year and Councilor Orozco graciously seconded that to put on the agenda."

Crystal Caldera, City Manager gave a presentation on the proposed pay increases for police, fire, public works, and municipal court personnel.

Councilor Josh Stevens proposed to move forward and pay 100% of the increase to police and fire now and

Those who spoke on this item were: Erick Matta (Leon Valley); Pat Martinez (Leon Valley); and Erick Matta once again

RESULT: PRESENTED

A motion was made by Councilor Benny Martinez to give 50% of the proposed increase immediately to police, fire, public works, and municipal court/other personnel as discussed at the retreat. The motion was seconded by Councilor Josh Stevens.

There was a consensus to have City Manager Caldera bring back an item to show what proposed increases to pay for department heads.

RESULT: APPROVED [4 TO 1]
AYES: Benny Martinez, Josh Stevens, Rey Orozco, Will Bradshaw
NAYS: Jed Hefner

Councilor Josh Stevens said he wanted to follow up with a second motion "and to be clear, this does not include department heads..."

A motion was made by Councilor Josh Stevens to have a proposal for a 1st read ordinance to increase our compensation of police, fire, and EMS up to the full adjusted salary that we are aiming for that is depicted in this chart currently presented on the screen. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rey Orozco.

There was a consensus among members of City Council that a vote was not needed for the previous motion and second but that this would be considered a request and second for a future agenda item pursuant to the City Charter.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Caldera asked about the July 23rd Coffee with the Mayor & City Council and whether or not there were any items of discussion or if they wanted to have it at all.

Councilor Will Bradshaw was in favor of postponement of the July 23rd Coffee and then suggested Churros with the Council in October.

Councilor Benny Martinez was in favor of keeping the July 23rd date but holding it in the afternoon or in the evening.

There was a consensus to cancel the July 23rd Coffee and have Churros with the Mayor & City Council in October.

Upcoming Important Events:

- a. **Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at 6:00 PM, in Council Chambers.**
- b. **South Texas Blood Bank and the City of Leon Valley will host a Blood Drive, July 19, 2022, 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at City Hall.**
- c. **Coffee with the Mayor & City Council, Saturday, July 23, 2022, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, at the Leon Valley Conference Center.**
- d. **Project Cool - Box Fan Drive, Leon Valley Fire Department, Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.**
- e. **Trash and Treasure Day, Saturday, October 01, 2022, at the Leon Valley Community Center.**
- f. **Miscellaneous other events and announcements.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Announcements were made by the Mayor and members of the City Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Benny Martinez asked that Regular Agenda Item 7.7 be moved up to the Consent Agenda. Mayor Riley also moved Regular Agenda Item 7.14 up to Consent.

A motion was made by Councilor Benny Martinez to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilor Jed Hefner.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Benny Martinez, Council Place 1
SECONDER:	Jed Hefner, Council Place 3
AYES:	Benny Martinez, Josh Stevens, Jed Hefner, Rey Orozco, Will Bradshaw

Consideration of the Following City Council Minutes:

- a. Workshop- June 4, 2022 9:00 AM
- b. City Council - Manager Retreat- June 18, 2022 9:00 AM
- c. Special Meeting- June 18, 2022 5:30 PM

Acceptance of the Following Board, Committee, and Commission Minutes:

- a. 10-14-2021 Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
- b. 03-10-2022 Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
- c. 03-22-2022 Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes

Presentation and Discussion on an Ordinance Accepting a Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Award administered by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and Adjusting the General Fund Budget in an amount not to exceed \$8,500 for Bulletproof Vests for Leon Valley Police Officers. (1st Read was Held on 06-18-2022) (M&C # 2022-07-12-4868 D. Gonzalez)

Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution Appointing Members to the Earthwise Living Day Committee (M&C # 2022-07-12-4896 S. Passailaigue)

REGULAR AGENDA

Discussion and Action To Consider Approval Of An Ordinance To Rezone Approximately 0.303 Acres of Land, at 5306 Blackberry, Being a Portion of Lot 2, Block 4, CB 9904, Rolling Wood Estates Unit 1, From B-2 Retail With Sustainability Overlay To R-1 Single Family Dwelling Zoning District (1st Read Held on July 12, 2022) (M&C # 2022-07-19 -4863 M. Teague)

Mindy Teague, Planning and Zoning Director along with Gerardo Villareal, P.E. on Behalf of Owner Fernando Paramo presented the item.

The applicant has bought this property and plans to construct a single-family dwelling. He is requesting a zone change to R-1 Single Family Dwelling District. The final lot configuration will also include a part of Lot 1, which is found within the City of San Antonio city limits. The owner is replatting the lots.

Eighteen (18) letters were mailed to surrounding property owners, letting them know of the request to change the zoning of this property. No letters in favor nor in opposition were received and no letters sent out were returned undeliverable.

Director Teague concluded the presentation saying that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of this zone change.

Mayor Chris Riley opened the Public Hearing at 7:27 PM. There being no public comment, Mayor Riley closed the Public Hearing at 7:27 PM

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

RESULT:	TABLED WITHOUT OBJECTION	Next: 7/19/2022 5:30 PM
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Presentation, Public Hearing, and Discussion to Consider Approval of a Replat, With Variance Requests, of an Approximately 0.917 Acre Tract of Land, Being Portions of Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Rollingwood Estates Unit # 1, Located at 5306 Blackberry Drive (M&C # 2022-7-12-4873 M. Teague)

Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director along with Gerardo Villareal, Ever Engineering, on behalf of Owner Fernando Paramo presented the item.

The purpose of this item is to seek City Council consideration of a replat of an approximately 0.917-acre tract of land, with a request for a variance to not connect to the City's sanitary sewer system and to being allowed to leave remaining portions of these lots. The part of the land in Leon Valley is a portion of Lot 2, Block 4, CB 9904, Rollingwood Estates Unit #1, located at 5306 Blackberry Drive.

The first variance the applicant is requesting is to the requirement to connect to the sanitary sewer system. Staff has not received any letters in opposition to his request.

The second variance the applicant is requesting is to not have to replat the remaining portions of this lot.

After a more detailed presentation and brief discussion, Director Moritz concluded the presentation saying that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the replat and to allow the remaining portions of the lots; however, they recommended denial of the request to not connect to the City's sanitary sewer system.

Mayor Chris Riley opened the Public Hearing at 7:33 PM. Applicant Paramo spoke and answered questions by City Council. There being no public comment, Mayor Riley closed the Public Hearing at 7:37 PM

A motion was made by Councilor Will Bradshaw to approve grant both variance requests as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rey Orozco.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Will Bradshaw, Council Place 5
SECONDER:	Rey Orozco, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4
AYES:	Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

Discussion and Action To Consider Approval of an Ordinance Granting a Specific Use Permit for the Operation of a Mobile Food Unit Court, in a B-3 Commercial with Sustainability Overlay Zoning District, Generally Located at 6505 Grissom Road, Being Lot 60, CB 5784A, Leon Valley Addition Subdivision (1st Read Held on July 12, 2022) (M&C # 2022-07-19-4864 M. Teague)

Mindy Teague, Planning and Zoning Director along with Juan Gallegos, applicant presented this item.

The purpose of this item is to seek City Council consideration on a request for a Specific Use Permit for the operation of a Mobile Food Unit Court, to be located at 6505 Grissom Road. Applicant Juan Gallegos would like to operate the Food Truck Court from Tuesday-Thursday, 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM and Friday-Sunday 7:00 PM -1:00 AM.

The site is the current location of a Jiu Jitsu studio and is zoned B-3 Commercial with Sustainability Overlay. The use "Mobile Food Unit" is allowed in this zoning district, with a Specific Use Permit. The site plan meets the requirements of the B-3 Commercial with Sustainability Overlay zoning district.

Director Teague concluded the presentation saying that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of this Specific Use Permit.

Mayor Chris Riley opened the Public Hearing at 7:44 PM.

Councilor Rey Orozco read an e-mail submitted by: Tina Chasan (Leon Valley)

There being no further public comment, Mayor Riley closed the Public Hearing at 7:50 PM

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

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Discussion and Action to Consider Approval of An Ordinance Granting a Specific Use Permit to Operate an "Entertainment - Outdoor" and "Restaurant - Not Fully Enclosed" facility, Generally Located at 6526 Bandera Road, Being Lot 84, CB 5955, Leon Valley Ranches Subdivision (1st Read Held on July 12, 2022) (M&C # 2022-07-19-4865 M. Teague)

Mindy Teague, Planning and Zoning Director along with Jaime Avila, Applicant and Owner, El Monte Barbecue presented this item.

The purpose of this item is to seek City Council consideration on a request granting a Specific Use Permit to run a "Restaurant - Not Completely Enclosed" and "Entertainment - Outdoor" facility, to be found at 6526 Bandera Road. The applicant would like to expand to supply outdoor seating behind the restaurant, adding eight (8) picnic tables, a stage, small playground, and multiple outdoor games such as horseshoes, bean bags, and volleyball. He is also planning to sell beer.

This is an existing 3.9-acre small strip center. The applicant occupies the end space closest to City Hall. The entirety is zoned B-2 Retail and is within the Sustainability Overlay District and the use is allowed in this district with a Specific Use Permit.

The purpose of a Specific Use Permit is generally to ensure that the use is consistent and compatible with surrounding uses with regard to traffic impact, the intensity of the use, noise, and parking. After careful review, Staff has no objection to the request for the following reasons: (A) The request is consistent and compatible with the master plan, site zoning, surrounding zoning and/or uses; (B) The use does not affect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public; and/or (C) The granting of the request protects and preserves the property rights of the owner(s) of all real property affected by the proposed specific use permit.

Letters notifying property owners of this request were sent to eight (8) property owners within 200'. No letters were received either in favor or opposition.

Director Teague concluded the presentation saying that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of this Specific Use Permit.

Mayor Chris Riley opened the Public Hearing at 7:58 PM. There being no public comment, Mayor Riley closed the Public Hearing at 7:58 PM

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

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Presentation and Discussion to Consider Approval of an Ordinance Amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 Traffic and Vehicles, Division 7, Section 12.02.203 Speed Limits on Specific Streets, to add Forest Way St., Southbound from Forest Haven to Evers Rd. to Reduce the Speed Limit in that Area to Twenty (20) Miles Per Hour (1st Reading As Required by City Charter) (M&C # 2022-07-12-4776 D. Dimaline)

David Dimaline, Assistant Public Works Director presented this item seeking City Council consideration of an ordinance amending the Leon Valley City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 Traffic and Vehicles, Division 7, Section 12.02.203 to reduce the speed limit on southbound Forest Way St., from Forest Haven to Evers Rd., from thirty (30) m.p.h. to twenty (20) m.p.h.

The Public Works Department received complaints of vehicles speeding on southbound Forest Way St., making it difficult for traffic on Forest Grove to enter the intersection. The resident asked if it was possible to make the intersection of Forest Way St. and Forest Grove an all-way stop, instead of the existing two-way Stop. The Public Works Department worked with the City Engineer, and the City Engineer completed a Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis.

The traffic analysis found the intersection of Forest Way St. and Forest Grove does not currently meet any of the multi-way stop applications set up in the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (TMUCD). A multi-way stop was not recommended based on existing traffic volumes and crash history. It was recommended to lower the speed limit to 20 m.p.h. in order to meet the required stopping sight distance for the southbound Forest Way St. approach to Forest Grove, of approximately 115'. The recommended lower speed limit along southbound Forest Way St. would lessen the possibility of incidental crashes and crash severity at the Forest Grove intersection.

Assistant Director Dimaline concluded the presentation saying that staff recommends approval of the ordinance amending Chapter 12 Traffic and Vehicles, Division 7 Section 12.02.203 to add Forest Way St., Southbound from Forest Haven to Evers Rd., reducing the Speed Limit to Twenty (20) m.p.h.

A motion was made by Councilor Jed Hefner to table this item indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Councilor Benny Martinez.

RESULT:	TABLED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jed Hefner, Council Place 3
SECONDER:	Benny Martinez, Council Place 1
AYES:	Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

Presentation and Discussion on an Ordinance Amending the City of Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Article 1.06 Boards, Commissions and Committees to Allow an Individual the Ability to Serve on a Maximum of Two (2) Boards, Commission or Committees (1st Reading was held on June 6, 2022) (M&C # 2022-07-12-4861 Mayor Riley)

Crystal Caldera, City Manager presented the item which is a second reading of an ordinance amending Article 1.06 Boards, Commissions and Committees to allow an individual the ability to serve on a maximum of two (2) boards, commissions, or committees and an unlimited number of Ad Hoc Committees. Ad hoc committees are determined by the City Council when the committee is established.

There was a brief discussion among members of City Council about the definition of "Ad Hoc".

A motion was made by Councilor Benny Martinez to adopt as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Will Bradshaw.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [4 TO 1]
MOVER:	Benny Martinez, Council Place 1
SECONDER:	Will Bradshaw, Council Place 5
AYES:	Martinez, Stevens, Orozco, Bradshaw
NAYS:	Hefner

Discussion and Possible Action on an Ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, Texas, City Council, Amending the City of Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Removing the Records Management Committee from Sec. 1.13.002 Additional Definitions; Sec. 1.13.006 Establishment of Records Management Committee Entirely; and Sec. 1.13.012 Implementation of Records Control Schedules; Destruction of Records Under Schedule, (C), Records Management Committee; Providing for Repealer, Severability and Savings Clauses; and Providing for an Effective Date (1st Read was Held on 07/12/2022) (M&C # 2022-07-19-4884 S. Passailaigue)

City Manager Caldera presented the item for City Council consideration of a proposed ordinance amending the City of Leon Valley Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Removing the Records Management Committee.

The Leon Valley City Council met on Saturday, June 18, 2022, in a Special City Council/Manager Retreat where there was a consensus to make this amendment to the Code.

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

RESULT:	TABLED WITHOUT OBJECTION	Next: 7/19/2022 5:30 PM
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Presentation and Discussion on an Ordinance of the City of Leon Valley, Texas, City Council, Amending the City of Leon Valley Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Article 1.04 City Council, Sec. 1.04.001 Rules of Meeting Decorum and Conduct, (b) Changing Regular City Council Meetings to 6:30 PM; (d) (2) Appearance; and (d)§ 4. Ceremonial and Informational Presentations; Providing for Repealer, Severability and Savings Clauses; and Providing for an Effective Date (1st Reading as Required by City Charter) (M&C # 2022-07-12-4885 S. Passailaigue)

City Manager Caldera presented the item for City Council consideration of a proposed amendments to the Rules of Decorum as discussed during the City Council/Manager Retreat.

There was a brief discussion with Council giving City Manager Caldera direction on what to bring back for the second read.

Those who spoke on this item were: Evan Bohl (Leon Valley)

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

RESULT:	TABLED WITHOUT OBJECTION	Next: 7/19/2022 5:30 PM
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Presentation and Discussion on an Ordinance Amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinance, Chapter 1 General Provisions, Article 1.06 Boards, Commission and Committees, to Sunset the Capital Facilities Bond Oversight Committee (1st Reading as Required by City Charter) (M&C # 2022-07-12-4886 S. Passailaigue)

City Manager Caldera presented the item for City Council consideration to sunset the Capital Facilities Oversight Committees as discussed on June 18, 2022, City Council/Manager Retreat.

Mayor Chris Riley read an e-mail that was submitted by: Kim Crawford (Leon Valley)

Those who spoke on this item were: Cassie Rowse (Leon Valley)

Councilor Benny Martinez motioned to tabling this item for sixty-days.

A motion was made by Councilor Jed Hefner to direct the committee to produce a final report within sixty-days (after appointments) to report to City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rey Orozco.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jed Hefner, Council Place 3
SECONDER:	Rey Orozco, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4
AYES:	Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Amendments to the Home Rule Charter (M&C # 2022-07-12-4887 C. Caldera)

City Manager Caldera presented the proposed changes as agreed upon by the City Council at the June 18, 2022 Council/Manager retreat along with new proposed changes submitted by Councilor Josh Stevens today.

There was a lengthy discussion as the Council discussed each proposed amendment.

Those who spoke on this item were: Erick Matta (Leon Valley)

This item will be brought back at the July 19, 2022 Regular City Council meeting in the Consent Agenda for second read as required by City Charter.

RESULT: PRESENTED

Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution Appointing Members to the Planning & Zoning Commission (M&C # 2022-07-12-4878 S. Passailaigue)

Mayor Chris Riley gave her recommendation on appointments.

Those who spoke on this item were: Cassie Rowse, Planning & Zoning Commission Chair who spoke on behalf of Evan Bohl who she stated had to leave but said he wanted to remain on the Commission and that he had submitted his application.

A motion was made by Councilor Benny Martinez to appoint applicants as recommended by Mayor Chris Riley. The motion was seconded by Councilor Will Bradshaw.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Benny Martinez, Council Place 1
SECONDER: Will Bradshaw, Council Place 5
AYES: Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution Appointing Members to the Board of Adjustment (M&C # 2022-07-12-4883 S. Passailaigue)

Mayor Chris Riley gave her recommendation on appointments.

A motion was made by Councilor Jed Hefner to appoint applicants as recommended by Mayor Chris Riley. The motion was seconded by Councilor Josh Stevens.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jed Hefner, Council Place 3
SECONDER: Josh Stevens, Council Place 2
AYES: Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

A motion was made by Councilor Jed Hefner to appoint Councilor Will Bradshaw as Council Liaison to the Board of Adjustment with a term expiring May 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Councilor Josh Stevens.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jed Hefner, Council Place 3
SECONDER: Josh Stevens, Council Place 2
AYES: Martinez, Stevens, Hefner, Orozco, Bradshaw

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Councilor Jed Hefner mentioned the Travel Industry Recovery Program and encouraged people to reach out to Mr. William Cox.

City Secretary Sandra Passailaigue reminded everyone to sign up for the July 19th Blood Drive. Donations will be taken from 1:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The Bloodmobile will be parked at the vacant Pilgrim Cleaners and there will be prizes available. The goal is to get 36 donations and so far, 13 people have signed up. Please contact Sandra to sign up!

REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

Attachment: (M&C # 2022-07-12-4858 C. Caldera)

City Manager Caldera presented the "pipeline" and asked if there were any items the Mayor or City Council members wanted to add.


RESULT: PRESENTED

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Riley announced that the meeting adjourned at 10:53 PM.

These minutes approved by the Leon Valley City Council on the 19th of July, 2022.

APPROVED



CHRIS RILEY
MAYOR

ATTEST: 
SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY



On March 23, 2021, the Leon Valley City Council unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-13, amending the Leon Valley Code of Ordinance, Section 1.04.001 (d) (2) saying that “All written comments shall be included in the meeting minutes.”

The Presiding Chair, the Mayor, has sole discretion on the appropriateness of which comments are and are not allowed.

The following comments have been reviewed and approved as “appropriate” to be included in the July 12, 2022 Leon Valley Special City Council Meeting Minutes by Mayor Chris Riley.

From: Kim Crawford <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, June 8, 2022 3:35 PM
To: Mayor Riley; Will Bradshaw; Josh Stevens; Jed Hefner; Rey Orozco; Benny Martinez
Cc: Saundra Passailaigue; Crystal Caldera
Subject: LV swimming pools

Hello, this is Kim Crawford. I was at the council meeting last night and had a comment but it was so late I did not go to the trouble of keeping us any later in the citizens to be heard. My comment is on the suggested action the council should take regarding swimming pools.

The survey said most folks only want to renovate one pool, but it was split 50/50 on which pool that would be. No doubt, it is separated along neighborhood lines. Councilman Stevens suggested several times to just renovate the Poss pool, then hope that people would go to it and eventually the Forest Oaks pool would be converted to something else.

I have a problem with that suggestion in that, while the citizens were split 50/50, council would be effectively deciding up front which pool would be closed. This action does not allow the 50% of folks in favor of the FO pool to have their say in the matter. 50% is a lot of people to be shut out of making their case to the council why the other pool should be shut down. I agree this is a tough decision. For the record, I said keep both pools, but I am in the minority. Also, I do live in Forest Oaks, but I don't use either pool currently, so my location is not really a factor in my commentary.

I know yall are about to go on a retreat so I wanted to get my thoughts to you beforehand. Please don't decide for us which pool to keep open without more citizen input. Unless they were at the meeting last night, folks favoring the Forest Oaks pool would lose their argument without ever even knowing the council chose the other pool, let alone having their say about it.

Thank you for all you do. And thanks for reading my opinion.

Kim Crawford
210-885-1383
Forest Oaks, Forest Mont Street

Good Evening, All,

Unfortunately I am unable to be at tonight's council meeting which would have given me a chance to present my comments regarding the Forest Way Street traffic situation discussion in person. It would have been the 4th time (at least) for me to stand at the microphone, submitting my comments verbally and in writing during Citizens to be Heard about this subject matter, asking that some action should be taken to make our street a safer place to live on. Most of you should know where I and many neighbors of ours stand.

All those 4 times my message, my pleas remained the same. Do something.

Decades ago, when there were not even stop signs on the long stretch of Forest Way, but the vehicle numbers coming through had started to increase and several accidents had occurred, residents asked for one stop sign and received not only one but TWO as the council felt it be necessary.

As you are discussing further means of slowing the traffic, I ask of you to act in the same manner. Implement whatever it takes to avoid more property and personal injuries.

Mayor Riley, please read a copy of my letter from April 3, 2017, addressing the former Police Chief at a council meeting. Yes, 5 years ago...and what have we got, more cars, more speeders, more stop-sign runners.

(See attached letter)

Thank you for attention and hopefully action to our disturbing situation.

Sincerely, Rita Burnside

~~GOOD MORNING, CHIEF DARRAGH,~~

Thank you for starting to address the stop sign ignorance by so many drivers at Forest Way. Having an empty police car placed 24/7 on Forest Crest certainly is a good idea, but it has not been very effective here. I believe seeing police officers writing tickets and seeing the flashing lights might present a better awareness of the law enforcement presence.

Add to the stop sign problem the speed limit violations/cell phone use in school zone, makes Forest Way not a safe road for residents who, like we, can barely make it out of the driveway by car, worse yet, crossing by foot over to the neighbor. In fact, just a few minutes ago as I unhurriedly looked several times to the left and right and left again before entering the street, as I always do - a car appeared out of nowhere, missing me by about two feet (not exaggerated!). He swung around to avoid me.

Judging from my observation, the worst traffic offenders come zooming through here between 7:15 and 7:45 a.m. on weekdays when everybody is rushing to get their kids to Oakhills School and an increased number of cars cutting through the neighborhood from Wurzbach going to work.

I feel the entire street should be designated 'school zone'.

Your continued effort to make this street safer would be much appreciated.

Kind Regards,

From: Tina Chasan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2022 2:26 PM
To: Citizens to be heard
Subject: Agenda7, #5

Good evening Mayor, Council and fellow citizens.

I wish to express my opinion on the reduction of speed on parts of Forest Way to Evers Rd. This, in my opinion, is only going to cause confusion for long time residents and not accomplish anything that would be productive for the residents there. If there is a speeding problem, it's not just in that strip of Forest Way. Why not all of my street, Forest Ridge? We all have seen the amount of cars that never stop, flying down the street in either direction.

Instead of the speed reduction that is being considered here tonight, why not install the new type speed bumps that were recently installed in Oak Hills Terrace? They are more durable, and most effective in speed reduction.

On Forest Ridge, one of my neighbors, Mr. Jaime Martinez, will be block walking, collecting signatures for speed bumps to be installed on our street. May I suggest that the neighbors in that area on Forest Way to Evers, also do the same.

Possibly, sometime in the future, the Council could instruct the staff to identify those streets in Leon Valley, that are major thoroughfares and just install speed bumps without having to canvas the block. Safety first. I do not believe the installation of speed bumps would cause any issues for our Fire and EMS in the execution of their duties.

Thank you for your consideration of my opinion.

Respectfully,

Tina Chasan

Forest Oaks/ Canterfield

From: Tina Chasan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2022 2:48 PM
To: Citizens to be heard
Subject: Reg agenda item #3

Good evening....

I would just like to express my opinion and approval of the SUP to allow food trucks at 6505 Grissom Rd. lot 60.

Understanding that this is a first read , I believe that the more diverse options for this type of dining, will only enhance the viability of Leon Valley being a destination, plus the added tax revenue it will bring to the City, are all positive.

This sums up my feelings on the proposed SUP. I look forward to hearing from you as this moves ahead.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Tina Chasan

Forest Oaks/ Canterfield