

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §
TOWN OF LAGUNA VISTA §

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAGUNA VISTA TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: February 18, 2020

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: CITY HALL BUILDING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susie Houston, Mayor
Michael Carter, Council Member Place 1
Frank Davalos, Jr., Council Member Place 3
Rolando Gonzalez, Council Member Place 4
Victor Worrell, Mayor Pro-Tem
Nadine Smith, Council Member Place 6

Alan Ozuna, City Attorney
Tony David, Interim City Manager
Ricky Gonzalez, Police Lt.
Alma Deckard, City Secretary
Ana Hernandez, Office Assistant
Rendie Gonzalez, Office Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT: All Present

ALSO PRESENT: Ed Meza

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Houston called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
2. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Susie Houston.
3. **Roll Call/Excused Absences** – All Present
Council Member Howard arrived at 6:04 pm.
4. **OPEN FORUM** – None
5. **NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion, consideration and possible action on each of the following items:

- a) **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Excutive closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, regarding any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to Section 551.071 – consultation with Town Attorney; and 551.074 – deliberation regarding appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:

- **City Manager**

Council Member Carter made a motion to go into executive session at 6:02 PM, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, regarding any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to Section 551.071 – consultation with Town Attorney; and 551.074 – deliberation regarding appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee – City Manager Position; Council Member Davalos seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Member Carter, Howard, Davalos, Gonzalez, Worrell, and Smith voted “aye” to approved, motion carried.

Town Council came out of executive session at 6:53 PM.

- b) **OPEN SESSION** – Action, if any,m on the items discussed in Executive Session.

Council Member Davalos made a motion to appoint Edward Meza as City Manager for the Town of Laguna Vista with a salary of \$80,000 plus benefits, Council Member Carter seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Members Carter, Howard, Davalos, Gonzalez, Worrell and Smith voted “aye” to approve, motion carried.

- c) **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Excutive closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, regarding any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to Section 551.071 – consultation with Town Attorney; and 551.074 – deliberation regarding appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:

- **City Secretary**

Council Member Worrell made a motion to go into executive session at 6:55 PM, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, regarding any matter listed on the

agenda pursuant to Section 551.071 – consultation with Town Attorney; and 551.074 – deliberation regarding appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee – City Secretary Alma Deckard; Council Member Carter seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Member Carter, Howard, Davalos, Gonzalez, Worrell, and Smith voted “aye” to approved, motion carried.

Town Council came out of executive session at 8:29 PM.

d) OPEN SESSION - Action, if any, on the items discussed in Executive Session.

Council Member Davalos made a motion to accept the resignation of City Secretary Alma Deckard; Council Member Carter seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Member Carter, Howard, Davalos, Gonzalez, Worrell, and Smith voted “aye” to approved, motion carried.

Council Member Davalos made a motion to appoint Ana Hernandez as Interim City Secretary; Council Member Worrell seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Member Carter, Howard, Davalos, Gonzalez, Worrell, and Smith voted “aye” to approved, motion carried.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Smith made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:33 PM, Council Member Carter seconded the motion. Mayor Houston, Council Members Carter, Howard, Davalos, Worrell and Smith voted “aye” to approve, motion carried.

Susie Houston, Mayor

Attest:

Ana Hernandez, Interim City Secretary