

CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
MARCH 10, 2025

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Pledge to Texas Flag:

Mayor Galaviz called the meeting to order at 06:30 PM, Halla gave the Invocation, and all lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Councilmembers present: Alejandro Galaviz, Teresa Hoffman, Tony Bovinich, Sheryl Kiser and Michelle Hamm.

Councilmembers absent: Drew Wilson.

Staff present: Josh Jones, City Attorney, Callie Green, Becky Wilkins, Chief Groom, and Kyle Sugg.

2. Announcements from Mayor:

Cell phones are to be placed on vibrate/silent only. No conversation or comment from the audience is permitted unless specifically called upon by the Mayor.

Please remain respectfully quiet.

Also, wished the City Attorney, Halla a Happy Birthday.

3. Citizen Public Comment Period:

Thank you for your participation in tonight's Public Comments Session. This segment is a crucial component of our local government meetings, where each speaker is allotted 5 minutes. While the City Council and I consider all input, the Texas Open Meetings Act mandates that this be a time for us to listen rather than engage in dialogue. Rest assured, our City Administrator and City Secretary are diligently recording notes should any actions be necessary. When you are ready, you may begin, and your time will start.

Superintendent Torres- Spoke regarding Venus ISD Bond Election.

4. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed under consent agenda have been previously discussed, require little or no deliberation, or are routine by the council. If discussion is desired, then an item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

Otherwise, approval of the consent agenda authorizes the City Administrator to implement each item in accordance with staff's recommendation.

4.1. Approval of meeting minutes for regular meeting on February 10, 2025.

4.2. Approval of Resolution for Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant - FY 2026.

4.3. Approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 3, 2025 General Election.

4.4. Approval of an Ordinance declaring the unopposed candidates for the City Council Place 1, City Council Place 2, and the Mayor, as elected, and cancelling the May 3, 2025 General Election.

4.5. Approval of a Resolution amending City Council Policies and Procedures.

4.6. Approval of a comprehensive update to the City's Human Resource Personnel Policy.

I make a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Moved by: Tony Bovinich

Seconded by: Teresa Hoffman

For: Unanimous. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

5. Presentation and Proclamations:

None

6. Public Hearings and Action Items:

None.

7. Discussion and Consideration Items:

7.1. Discuss and consider the appointment of a new board member to Place 3 of the Venus Community Services Development Corporation.

I make a motion to nominate Michelle Crane.

Moved by: Sheryl Kiser

Seconded by: Tony Bovinich

For: Unanimous. Motion carried Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0.

8. Executive Session:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.001, ET SEQ. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED MEETING) TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: Section 551.071- Consultation with Attorney

8.1. Discussion regarding a resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain to condemn property rights in fee simple for land owned by the City of approximately 104.95 acres (4,571,447.76 sq. ft.) and generally located at 920 CR 110 and authorizing the initiation and filing of eminent domain proceedings for the public purpose of construction of a water tower and determining the necessity, public purpose, and public of same, as well as for any other public purposes permitted by law.

Mayor recessed into Executive Session at 6:40 P.M.

Mayor reconvened into Open Session at 7:28 P.M.

No action was taken on above listed Executive Session.

9. Items for Future Agendas:

None.

10. Adjournment:

Mayor Galaviz adjourned the meeting at 07:29 PM.

Mayor

City Secretary