CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

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MINUTES OF:

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: MAY 14, 2019 TIME OF MEETING: 5:00 P.M.

PLACE OF MEETING: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

VOTED NAY
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SECONDED

ROLL CALL WAS ANSWERED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

RUBEN FALCON, JAMES WARNOCK, MIKE URETA, JR., &

PAM PALILEO

ABSENT: DINO RAMIREZ

MAYOR: JOE CHRIS ALEXANDER
CITY MANAGER: FRANK RODRIGUEZ III
CITY SECRETARY: DELMA A. GONZALEZ

CITY ATTORNEY: JESSE GONZALES, JR.

Mayor Alexander called the Special Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. after declaring a quorum present.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ureta gave the Invocation.

Council Member Warnock led the Pledge of Allegiance & Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Mayor Alexander read the Mission Statement:

"The Mission of the City of Fort Stockton Municipal Government is to Promote & Value Public Confidence and Trust by the Accountable and Responsible Use of Community Resources; to Ensure Public Safety; Improve Public Services; Promote Local Recreation and Entertainment; and Generate Economic Development."

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 19-109R, Approving the Official Canvass for the May 4, 2019 City General Election.

Mayor Alexander reported that <u>805</u> votes were cast at the City General Election to Elect One (1) Mayor & Two (2) Council Members to 2-year terms each. Results were as follows:

MAYOR:

Mary Ann Terrazas White	338
Chris Alexander	458*

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Ruben Falcon	334*
Mike Stallard	117
Paul Casias	312*
Ross Harper	246
Oscar Hernandez	125
Celedonio (Dino) Ramirez Jr.	199

Chris Alexander was Re-Elected Mayor to his Third Term and Ruben Falcon was Re-Elected Council Member to his Fourth Term, and Paul Casias was Elected Council Member to his First Term.

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Motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to Approve Resolution No. 19-109R, Approving the Official Canvass for the May 4, 2019 City General Election.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS:

2. Present "Certificate of Election" and Conduct "Oath of Office" to Re-Elected Mayor Joe Chris Alexander, Re-Elected Council Member Ruben Falcon, and Newly Elected Council Member Paul Casias.

The Certificate of Election was presented:

By: To:

Paul Casias. Mayor Alexander Former County Judge Hodges Ruben Falcon. Notary Public Tracy Alexander Joe Chris Alexander

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS:

3. Presentation of Plaque to Out-Going Council Member Celedonio (Dino) Ramirez Jr. for His Exceptional Commitment & Distinguished Service to the Citizens of Fort Stockton from May 14, 2011 – May 4, 2019.

Mayor Alexander reported that Former Council Member Ramirez was unable to attend the meeting. He served the community as a Councilman for 8 years and before then was the City's Gas Supervisor. His input and knowledge as an employee and working for West Texas Gas was invaluable. "He is a quiet individual but when he says something you can take it to the bank because he is very intelligent and knows what he is doing. He will be greatly missed."

Mayor Pro-Tem Ureta conveyed that it was a benefit to the citizens that Former Council Member Ramirez served the community for many years. He was employed by the City for numerous years, retired, and eventually elected to office. In the 1990's – 2000's, he was a Council Member and had the opportunity to work with Dino as an employee and saw the value that he brought to the city years earlier and then carried that as a Council Member. "He is a great asset to the community and will be missed."

Council Member Falcon concurred with Mayor Alexander and Mayor Pro-Tem Ureta. Former Council Member Ramirez "did not say much but when he did he

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could answer difficult questions that very few individuals knew the answers to. Employees will miss him because he had the trust of employees when it came to insurance, retirement, etc." He commended him for his service.

Mayor Alexander expressed that on the other hand, as Former Council Member Ramirez stepped down the person that would replace him is Former Director of Recreation Paul Casias. He is acquainted with the inter-workings of the City's budget, working with employees, etc. He welcomed Newly Elected Council Member Casias to the City.

Council Member Casias thanked everyone for being in attendance; for taking time from their busy schedule. He thanked everyone that cast their ballot and was thrilled about the turnout. He was especially content about where he was now. "I will do the best job that I possibly can. I will be here for the community."

There being no further business, the Special City Council Meeting was adjourned @ 5:17 p.m. for a Congratulatory Reception.

Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor

ATTEST:

Delma A. Gonzalez, City Secretary