

CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

MINUTES OF: SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE OF MEETING: MAY 15, 2023
TIME OF MEETING: 5:30 PM
PLACE OF MEETING: 121 WEST SECOND STREET FORT STOCKTON, TX 79735

ROLL CALL WAS ANSWERED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: DARREN HODGES, JAMES WARNOCK, JOE CHRIS ALEXANDER, PAUL CASIAS, RUBEN J BERNAL, RUBEN FALCON

CITY MANAGER: FRANK RODRIGUEZ III
CITY SECRETARY: MARINA CANTU
CITY ATTORNEY: PUJA BOINPALLY

Mayor Joe Chris Alexander called the Special Meeting to Order at 5:30 p.m. after declaring a quorum present.

Mayor Joe Chris 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.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 23-113R, Approving the Official Canvass for the May 6, 2023 City General Election. (Mayor)

Mayor Joe Chris Alexander read Resolution No. 23-113R aloud.

Motion was made by Council Member Darren Hodges, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution No. 23-113R, Approving the Official Canvass for the May 6, 2023 City General Election. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Mayor Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben J Bernal, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

2. Discuss/Act upon Order of Election for the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election. (Mayor/City Sec.)

City Secretary Marina Cantu explained this is to Order the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election for the purpose of Electing One (1) Mayor.

Early Voting will be held at the Pecos County Courthouse Annex, Election Room between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning June 8, 2023 through June 16, 2023.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Ruben J Bernal, and carried unanimously to approve Order of Election for the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Mayor Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben J Bernal, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

3. Discuss/Act upon Notice of Election for the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election. (Mayor/City Sec.)

City Secretary Marina Cantu explained this is the Notice that is published in the Fort Stockton Pioneer and announced on the radio informing the Community of the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben J Bernal, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, and carried unanimously to approve Notice of Election for the June 20, 2023 City Special Runoff Election. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council Member James Warnock, Mayor Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben J Bernal, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

4. Discuss/Act upon Election Services Contract between the City of Fort Stockton and the Pecos County Clerk. (Mayor/City Sec.)

City Secretary Marina Cantu explained that the Secretary of State's Office has recommended that local authorities contract Election Services with their respective counties. Therefore, this is the Election Services Contract between the City of Fort Stockton and the Pecos County Clerk.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben J Bernal, seconded by Council Member Ruben Falcon, and carried unanimously to approve Election Services Contract between the City of Fort Stockton and the Pecos County Clerk. Council Member Darren Hodges, Council

Member James Warnock, Mayor Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben J Bernal, Council Member Ruben Falcon voted aye.

5. Present "Certificate of Election" & Conduct "Oath of Office" for Jerome Chavez, Newly Elected Council Member, Place 1 and Ruben Falcon, Re-Elected Council Member, Place 2. **(Mayor)**

Mayor Joe Chris Alexander presented Jerome Chavez, Newly Elected Council Member, Place 1 and Ruben Falcon, Re-elected Council Member, Place 2 with their Certificate of Election.

Notary Gloria Ortiz conducted the ceremonial Oath of Office for Jerome Chavez, Newly Elected Council Member, Place 1.

Assistant City Manager/Notary Jesse Gonzales, Jr. conducted the Oath of Office for Ruben Falcon, Re-elected Council Member, Place 2.

6. Questions from Media.

There were no questions from the media.

7. Adjourn.

There being no further business, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.



Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor

ATTEST:



Marina A. Cantu, City Secretary

