

October 10, 2023

The City Council met in Public Hearing followed by Regular Session October 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were City Administrator Jessie Montez, Mayor Sally Poteet, Council Members Adrian Hernandez, Steven Villa, Leah Flanagan and James Jenkins. Also present, Chief of Police, Joe Morales and Finance Director, Laura Walker. Visitors: Bill Reed and Mike Black. Absent: Gib Wheeler

Mayor Sally Poteet opened Public Hearing Planning and Zoning at 7:00 p.m.

Juanita Padilla: 506 W. Broadway, LT 10-11 BLK 14, OT ADDN
Martin County Historical Museum: 207 E. Broadway, LT 4-10 BLK 20, OT ADDN
Kevin Cook: 606 W. Bell, SEC 36, 1-S, 24 N/W AND MID/PT

Public Comment: None

Public Hearing was closed and Regular Session was opened at 7:01 p.m.

Public Comment: None

A motion was made by Council Member Flanagan and seconded by Council Member Villa that the previous minutes from September 19, 2023 be approved. All voted for.

Council Member Flanagan made a motion to approve variance for front yard carport to be extended for Juanita Padilla: 506 W. Broadway, LT 10-11 BLK 14, OT ADDN. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made a motion to grant variance to Martin County Historical Museum: 207 E. Broadway, LT 4-10 BLK 20, OT ADDN permission to place 5 (Five) foot tall fence on city right-of-way, Museum will be responsible for removing or moving fence back in the events of addition, improvement or street needing to be widened. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to grant variance to Kevin Cook: 606 W. Bell, SEC 36, 1-S, 24 N/W AND MID/PT to build barn to exceed height of 12 (Twelve) feet. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to submit the Third (3rd) Quarterly Investment Report to record. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to accept utilities easement (Bailey Toliver Chevrolet, LLP, SEC 13, BLK36, T1S) for Martin County Complex. Council Member Hernandez seconded the motion. All voted for.

Second reading of Resolution for Martin County Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Grant in the amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars). Council Member Flanagan made the motion to accept grant. Council Member Hernandez seconded the motion. All voted for. Council Member Villa abstained from vote.

Luchi's Smokehouse withdrew application for grant due to selling business in near future.

Chief of Police, Joe Morales, reported 134 (One Hundred Thirty-Four) calls for service. Chief Morales discussed construction intersection of Business 20 and Hwy 137 causing issues with accidents, train accidents and near misses. Council Member Villa brought up school zone sign being in construction and traffic not being aware they're in a school zone.

City Manager, Jessie Montez, gave the following updates: Dead tree removed at mobile home park, seal coat completed, new dozer delivered to the landfill, discussed hotel/motel funds and closing Hwy 137 at Broadway and Beckman at Broadway.

Council Member Villa made the motion to pay the September 2023 bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Sally Poteet, Mayor

ATTEST: Jessie Montez, City Administrator