



## Nixon City Council Minutes for 6.5.2023 Regular Meeting

The Nixon City Council met in Regular Session on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall 302 E. Central Ave Nixon, TX 78140.

Members present were: Mayor Dorothy Riojas, Justin La Fleur, Maggie Gaytan, Ellie Dominguez, Lew Cohn, Chief Miguel Cantu, Donald Hoffman, Patricia Dingler, Ginger Pena, George Pena, Patricia Mendez, Tommy Lopez, Michael Martinez, Patsy Scherrer, Michael Scherrer, Nina Hernandez, Rudy Hernandez, Jennifer Veliz, Kaylie Morin, Deene Janysek, Ann Jackson, Pablo Aguirre, Loyce Rice, Yolanda Messman, Dolores Perales, Jane Cornelius, Adolph Trigo, Jeremy Bustos, Carter Hansen, Travis Hansen, Judge Darryl Becker, Nancy Amaya, Fire Chief Mark Mendez, Becky La Fleur, Leighton La Fleur, Selma Riojas, Na'Lasia Croft, Bud Box, Sheri Wuest, Isidor Pawelek, Joann Walpole, Natividad Ruiz, Briana Dominguez, Jarrod Birmingham, Jen Birmingham, Melissa Pompa, Mark Pompa, Cruz Pompa, Santos Pompa,

A quorum was declared present, and the meeting was called to order by Madame Mayor Dorothy Riojas at 5:35 p.m.

Prayer was given by Tanya Torres. And the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and the State of Texas was recited.

Donald Hoffman spoke regarding the Rancho Nixon Historical Association. He gave a brief update on the historical monuments going up at the entrances of the town during Citizens to be heard.

Virginia Pena spoke during Citizens to be heard regarding the naming of the Veterans Memorial Wall.

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to approve the minutes of the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular meeting. Motion carried 3-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to approve the Financial Statements and paid bills. Motion carried 3-0

Mayor Dorothy Riojas gave the family of the late MaryAnn Fatheree a plaque of Appreciation for her years of service to the Citizens of Nixon.

Judge Darryl Becker swore in the newly elected Council members Melissa Pompa and Patsy Vigil Scherrer.

City manager Harold Rice presented Jarrod and Jen Birmingham with a key to the city.

Loyce Rice presented the City of Nixon 2023 Royalty to the council and the citizens present.

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to recess for ten minutes at 6:01 p.m. and to move back to the council chambers. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to come back into session at 6:11 p.m. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to move agenda item #23 Fire Chief Report to agenda item #7. Motion carried 5-0

Fire Chief Mark Mendez gave the fire report.

A motion was made by Melissa Pompa and seconded by Patsy Scherrer to appoint Ellie Dominguez as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Justin La Fleur to approve the Bullet Resistant Shield Resolution for the Nixon Police Department. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Ellie Dominguez and seconded by Patsy Scherrer to approve waiving the Yard Sale permit for July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for City Wide Yard Sale. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Justin La Fleur to approve the City of Nixon Utilities Director employment contract. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to approve the appointments of members to the Tourism and Development board by the city council for a two-year term along with compliance with any other requirements and members must reside inside the City Limits of the City of Nixon and be registered voters in the City of Nixon. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Justin La Fleur to appoint Laura Swenson and Briana Dominguez to the Tourism and Development Board. And to cap the members to 13. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Ellie Dominguez and seconded by Justin La Fleur approving the Tourism and Development board officers as elected. Chairman- Travis Hansen, Vice-Chairman- Briana Dominguez, Secretary- Pablo Aguirre, Treasurer- Nina Hernandez, and Sergeant at Arms- Mark Soto. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Justin La Fleur to keep the current name of the Tourism and Development Board. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Melissa Pompa to allow the Tourism and Development Board to create its bylaws and present them to the council. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan for the Tourism and Development Board to contact Mando Cisneros to get some advice on the building of Memorial Park. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Melissa Pompa and seconded by Justin La Fleur to approve fundraising for the "Park" by the Tourism and Development Board. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Melissa Pompa to architected and engineered the design of all phases of the theoretical Memorial Park. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to move agenda item #17 into executive session under 551.071 Consultation with Attorney. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Patsy Scherrer and seconded by Melissa Pompa to rename Freddie Aguirre Park to Nixon's Veterans Park. Motion died.

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to table agenda item #18 for the next regular council meeting. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Melissa Pompa to resend agenda item #18 and rename what the council agrees upon at the July meeting. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to allow Travis Hansen to live in his RV while his house is being remodeled. Motion carried 5-0

A motion was made by Maggie Gaytan and seconded by Ellie Dominguez to repair the draining across the road on CR 167, not to exceed \$30,000 to come out of the road fund. Motion carried 5-0

No action was taken on agenda item #21.

No action was taken on agenda item #22.

Police Chief Miguel Cantu gave the police report.

City Manager Harold Rice gave his report.

A motion was made by Melissa Pompa and seconded by Justin La Fleur to take a short recess before the executive session. Motion carried 5-0

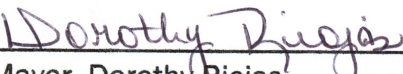
The council came out of the Regular session at 7:58 p.m. and went into executive session at 7:58 p.m.

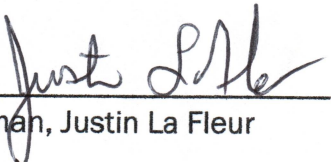
The council came out of the executive session at 8:20 p.m. and back into the regular session at 8:20 p.m.

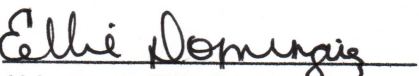
A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Melissa Pompa to table agenda item #17 to a later date. Motion carried 5-0

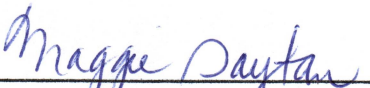
A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to revisit agenda item #25. Motion carried 5-0

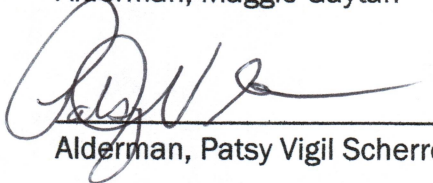
A motion was made by Justin La Fleur and seconded by Maggie Gaytan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0

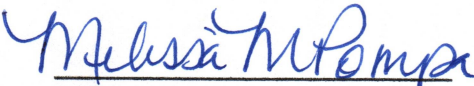
  
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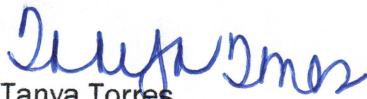
  
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Attest:

  
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Tanya Torres  
City of Nixon Secretary