

Ivy Avalos
Mayor

Ruben Reyes
At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1



Alejandro Garcia
District 2

Rudy Cruz, Jr.
District 3/Mayor Pro Tem

Yvonne Colon-Villalobos
District 4

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Ivy Avalos
Cesar Nevarez
Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ruben Reyes
Alejandro Garcia

STAFF PRESENT:

Victor Perez, Deputy City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Lorraine Quimiro, City Planner
Merwan Bhatti, City Attorney

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director
Jose Botello, City Planner
Judith Rodriguez, Planning Clerk
Yadira Magaña, Planning Clerk
Myrian Duran, Planning Clerk
Isabela Perez, Recreation Leader
Laura Arredondo, Wellness Coordinator

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Yolie Rodriguez	ABSENT
Andrew Arroyos	Oswaldo Reza
David Estrada	
Julie Dominguez	
Enrique Cisneros	

HISTORICAL LANDMARK COMMISSION

Rafael Padilla	ABSENT
Dr. Elizabeth Lugo	Al Borrego
Ricardo Rocha	Jesse Montelongo
David Estrada	Maria Angeles

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 5:54 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with four council members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers during Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

OLIVIA NAVARRO

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Rudy Cruz to *approve the Consent Agenda*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Rudy Cruz, Jr., and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes and Alejandro Garcia

REGULAR AGENDA

PLANNING AND ZONING

6. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE. **LORRINE QUIMIRO**

Presentation by Carlos Gallinar, Principal and Planning Director and Jason King of Able City.

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos *to take a ten (10) minute recess*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Rudy Cruz, Jr., and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes and Alejandro Garcia

CITY COUNCIL CONVENED IN RECESS AT 6:52 PM

RECESS

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 7:17 PM

David Estrada, Rafael Padilla, Dr. Elizabeth Ponce-Lugo, Enrique Cisneros, Ricardo Rocha, Jose Botello, Estevan Gonzalez, Yvonne Colon-Villalobos, Rudy Cruz, Cesar Nevarez and Mayor Ivy Avalos spoke regarding development throughout the city.

7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION, AND ACTION TO APPROVE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION; AUTHORIZE FILING OR SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL ACTION; AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF EXPERT WITNESSES AND CONSULTANTS, AND EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO PENDING LEGAL MATTERS. ADRIANA RODARTE**
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON QUALIFICATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS, JOB PERFORMANCE OF EMPLOYEES, REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION AND RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE FROM CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES AFFECTING THESE MATTERS. ADRIANA RODARTE**
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION. ADRIANA RODARTE**

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Rudy Cruz, Jr., to *delete items seven (7), eight (8) and nine (9)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Rudy Cruz, Jr., and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes and Alejandro Garcia

10. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Rudy Cruz, Jr., to *adjourn at 7:51 pm*

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Rudy Cruz, Jr., and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes and Alejandro Garcia



Ivy Avalos, Mayor



Olivia Navarro, City Clerk



Date minutes were approved