

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF DIMMIT §
CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS §

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas has called a **Special Session** at the City Hall Municipal Building, 308 West Pena Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas, 78834 on **Monday, June 2, 2025** commencing at **5:30 p.m.** for considering the following items of business:

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Mario Ruiz called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The Council conducted their own roll call and declared the following Councilmembers present:

Mario Ruiz	Mayor
Sofia Morones	Mayor Pro Tem
Noel Galvan	Councilor
Estanislado Z. Martinez	Councilor
Anika Santana	Councilor
Azalia Garcia	City Manager
Melissa M. Guerra	City Clerk

A quorum was established.

STAFF

Edgardo Castillo, Finance Director	Anita Ayala, Accounting Specialist
Angie Rios, Utility Supervisor	Victoria Perez, Utility Clerk
Veronica Vasquez, Receptionist	Francisco Rosas, Gas Dept. Supervisor

WELCOME & RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mayor Mairo Ruiz welcomed and recognized all guest present.

Francisco Ponce, Gracy Ponce, Francisco R. Ponce, Ashton Escamilla, Javier Santana, Sheila Ybarra

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

1. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING NOMINATION OF ANIKA YBARRA TO FILL VACANCY FOR THE REMAINDER OF UNEXPIRED COUNCIL TERM UNTIL NEXT ELECTION

A. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE

Francisco R. Ponce administers the oath of office to Anika Santana.

OLD BUSINESS

2. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE CITY OF UVALDE QUOTE TO REPAIR GAS LEAKS LOCATED AT 1402 PENA & SOUTH 14TH STREET, 603 NORTH 1ST STREET & OLD COTULLA ROAD, 1308 NORTH 8TH STREET & THOMPSON STREET AND 401 SOUTH 9TH STREET & SHEPPARD STREET

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Councilor Anika Santana to approve the City of Uvalde quote for \$6,350.00 to replace valves located at 1402 Pena & South 14th Street, 603 North 1st Street & Old Cotulla Road and 1308 North 8th Street & Thompson Street.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous),

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

3. 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET WORKSHOP (I)

Finance Director Edgar Castillo presents Council with the employee's salary for 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Budget.

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Cost of Living Increase

\$1.00 increase cost - \$2,540,243.00 additional cost for and additional City Marshal Deputy is \$2,598,243.00

\$1.50 increase cost - \$2,598,119.00 additional cost for and additional City Marshal Deputy is \$2,656,119.00

Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones states that she requested this workshop to discuss employee's salary before the budget is approved.

Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez states that the salary for the lower paid employees should be increased.

Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones states that we need to be fair and consistent, a raise should be the same across the board for all employees.

Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez states that the city should compare salaries locally with Dimmit County, the school district, etc. instead of with other cities.

Councilor Noel Galvan states that the entry level rate should be increased to \$12.00 and add \$1.00 to all employees' current salary.

Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones asks Mr. Francisco Ponce how Dimmit County compensates their employees. Mr. Francisco Ponce states that the county gives a cost of living raise across the board and one year the employees were given an additional 25 cent raise for every year they were employed with the county.

Mayor Mario Ruiz states that the cost of living will be across the board.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones to adjourn.

Vote for approval 5 - 0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:37 p.m.

/s/Mario Ruiz
Mario Ruiz, Mayor
City of Carrizo Springs

ATTEST:

/s/Melissa M. Guerra
Melissa M. Guerra, City Clerk
City of Carrizo Springs