THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DIMMIT

SITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas has called a **Regular Session** at the City Hall Municipal Building, 308 West Pena Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas, 78834 on **Tuesday, September 9, 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

A quorum was established.

#### **STAFF**

Edgardo Castillo, Finance Director
Veronica Vasquez, Receptionist
Jovanni Cortez, City Marshal Deputy

John Camarillo, Public Works Director
Ernest Flores, HR Specialist

**Absent:** 

Melissa M. Guerra City Clerk

### WELCOME & RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mayor Mairo Ruiz welcomed and recognized all guest present.

Jesse Saucedo, Keith Franklin, Jose Robles, Sonia G. Perez, Rodney Perez

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

### PERDUE BRANDON FIELDER COLLINS & MOTT, LLP

1. PUBLIC NOTICE PURSUANT TO SEC. 2254.1036 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF A CONTINGENT FEE AGREEMENT WITH PERDUE BRANDON FIELDER COLLINS & MOTT, LLP AWARDED ON AUGUST 18, 2025, FOR THE COLLECTION OF ALL DEBTS AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, I.E.: FINES, FEES, RESTITUTION, OTHER DEBTS, AND COSTS, THAT ARE MORE THAN SIXTY (60) DAYS PAST DUE THAT RELATE TO DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNTS OWED TO THE CITY

Discussion only. No action.

2. PERDUE BRANDON FIELDER COLLINS & MOTT, LLP QUARTERLY REPORT

Carlos Arce presented the Council with the delinquent property tax quarterly report.

### PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

3. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ALEXANDER YBARRA'S REQUEST FOR A NON-CONFORMING VARIANCE PERMIT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING A DOUBLE-WIDE MANUFACTURED HOME IN AN R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY) PROPERTY, SAID PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 203 W. SAN PEDRO ST. PROPERTY (ID 13040), CS-HOMESTEAD TERRACE ADDN, BLOCK 13, LOT A OR E 52.08' L1, CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, DIMMIT COUNTY TEXAS

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez to approve Alexander Ybarra's request for a non-conforming variance permit for the purpose of placing a double-wide manufactured home in an R-1 (single family) property, said property is located at 203 W San Pedro St. Property (ID 13040), CS-Homestead Terrace ADDN, Block 13, Lot A Or E 52.08" L1, City of Carrizo Springs, Dimmit County Texas.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

### PUBLIC SAFETY QUARTERLY REPORTS

- 4. DIMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- 5. VICTORY AMBULANCE
- 6. CARRIZO SPRINGS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Carlos Lara presented the Council with the CSVFD quarterly report.

#### 7. CARRIZO SPRINGS MUNICIPAL COURT

Municipal Judge Sonia G. Perez presented the Council with the City of Carrizo Springs Municipal Court Quarterly Report.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 8. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES
  - A. SPECIAL SESSION SEPTEMBER 8, 2025
  - **B. REGULAR SESSION SEPTEMBER 9, 2025**
  - C. SPECIAL SESSION SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones to approve minutes with corrections as discussed.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

9. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2025

Discussion only. No action.

- 10. MONTHLY REPORTS
  - A. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS
  - **B. DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES**

Finance Director Edgardo Castillo presented Council with his monthly reports.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

11. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 611 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL JUDGE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Estanislado Z. Martinez to approve Resolution No. 611 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas, to appoint Sonia G. Perez as the City of Carrizo Springs Municipal Judge for a term of two years.

Vote for approval 3-2. Mayor Mario Ruiz and Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones opposed.

Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

12. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING CARRIZO SPRINGS MUNICIPAL JUDGE CONTRACT

No action.

# 13. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ISSUE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR A CITY ATTORNEY

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan to issue a Request for Proposal for City Attorney Services.

Vote for approval 4-1. Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones opposed.

Motion carried.

# 14. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING GRACIE PEREZ REQUEST TO SELL ALCOHOL AT THE 160TH CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS CELEBRATION

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Mayor Mario Ruiz to deny Gracie Perez request to sell alcohol at the 160<sup>th</sup> City of Carrizo Springs Celebration.

Vote for approval 4-1. Councilor Noel Galvan opposed.

Motion carried.

# 15. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO AWARD CIVIC CENTER BALCONY DECK BID

- A. MC BUILDERS, LLC
- B. R & J EAGLE CONTRACTORS, INC.
- C. J. CORTINAS CONSTRUCTION INC.
- D. PONDEROSA BUILDERS

Motion made by Mayor Mario Ruiz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia to table item.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

# 16. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE CAPEX WATER & WASTEWATER RATE STUDY AND LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN PROPOSAL

Motion made by Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan to approve Capex Water & Wastewater rate study and long-term financial plan proposal.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

# 17. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING CHICANO'S POR LA CAUSA REQUEST TO MODIFY CITY'S BUILDING LOCATED ON 904 SOUTH 5TH STREET

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez to approve Chicano's Por La Causa request to modify the city's building located on 904 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

# 18. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING JOINT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS & DIMMIT COUNTY

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones, seconded by Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez to table item.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

# 19. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING CHRISTMAS LIGHTING OF THE PARK & NIGHT PARADE

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan host the Christmas Lighting of the Park and night parade on December 5, 2025.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

# 20. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RESCHEDULE REGULAR SESSION ON NOVEMBER 11, 2025 DUE TO VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Councilor Anika Santana to reschedule Regular Session to Wednesday, November 12, 2025.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

### 21. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE 2026 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones to approve the 2026 Holiday Schedule as presented.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

2026 Holiday Schedule

2020 Holiday Schedule		
Thursday	January 1, 2026	New Year's Day
Monday	January 19, 2026	Martin Luther King Day
Monday	February 16, 2026	President's Day
Friday	April 3, 2026	Good Friday
Monday	April 6, 2026	Easter Holiday
Tuesday	May 5, 2026	Cinco de Mayo
Monday	May 25, 2026	Memorial Day
Friday	June 19, 2026	Juneteenth
Friday	July 3, 2025	Independence Day
Monday	September 7, 2026	Labor Day
Monday	October 12, 2026	Columbus Day
Wednesday	November 11, 2026	Veteran's Day
Thursday	November 26, 2026	Thanksgiving Day
Friday	November 27, 2026	Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday	December 25, 2026	Christmas Day
Friday	<b>December 26, 2026</b>	Christmas Holiday
Thursday	<b>December 31, 2026</b>	New Year's Eve
Friday	<b>January 1, 2027</b>	New Year's Day

# 22. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROCEDURE FOR AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan to upload the agenda item request form to the city's website to make it accessible to the public.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

# 23. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING PUBLIC NUISANCE - GOVERNMENT OWNED PROPERTIES

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan to have Perdue & Brandon gather more information and identify properties that cause safety hazards.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

### **RESOLUTION(S)**

24. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 612 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS TO CAST ALL THEIR ELIGIBLE 95 VOTES FOR \_\_\_\_ AND DECLARE THE CANDIDATE FOR THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DIMMIT CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Motion made by Councilor Estanislado Z. Martinez, seconded by Mayor Mario Ruiz to approve Resolution No. 612 a resolution of the City Council if the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas to cast all their eligible 95 votes for Noel Galvan and declare the candidate for the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas to serve on the Board of Directors of the Dimmit Central Appraisal District.

Vote for approval 5-1 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

25. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 613 A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS, TEXAS REQUESTING A TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR THE 160TH CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS CELEBRATION EVENT TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2025 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. - 2:00 A.M.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan to approve Resolution No. 613 a resolution by the City Council of the City of Carrizo Springs, Texas requesting a temporary street closure from the Texas Department of Transportation1 (TXDOT) for the 160<sup>th</sup> City of Carrizo Springs Celebration Event to held on November 8, 2025 between the hours od 7:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motin carried.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Mario Ruiz convened into closed session at 8:17 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED MEETING AS AUTHORIZED BY THE PROVISION OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. THIS CLOSED SESSION IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION; PERSONNEL 551.074

26. DISCUSSION REGARDING LANDFILL SUPERVISOR BRENDA REYES SALARY AND RETENTION EMPLOYMENT

### **OPEN SESSION**

27. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING LANDFILL SUPERVISOR BRENDA REYES SALARY AND RETENTION EMPLOYMENT

Motion made by Councilor Anika Santana, seconded by Councilor Noel Galvan approve Brenda Reyes' salary as discussed in Executive Session.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

### 28. 160TH CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS CELEBRATION UPDATE

160 <sup>™</sup> CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS CELEBRATION	Cost
Kevin Fowler & Secreto	\$52,000.00
Grupo Eztilo	\$2,000.00
Jace Martin	\$2,000.00
Johnny Izquierdo	\$2,000.00
Stage/Generators	\$14,000.00
Commemorative lapel pins & coins	\$3, 328.50
Light tower, handwashing station, and port-a-potty	\$2,440.92
Generator	\$2,564.95
Street Banner	\$1,258.00
Rectangular Flag and Yard Sign	\$1,148.07
Stage Banner and Indoor Banner	\$434.00
Billboard	\$2,000.00
Newspaper advertisement Carrizo	
String lights	\$274.47
T-shirts	\$2,600.00
Security Fencing (rental)	\$0.00
Security (7@65hrx8hrs)	\$3,640.00
Staff working event	
Grand Total	\$88,360.41

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Councilor Noel Galvan, seconded by Councilor Anika Santana to adjourn.

Vote for approval 5 - 0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:43 p.m.

<u>/s/Mario Ruiz</u>
Mario Ruiz, Mayor
City of Carrizo Springs

ATTEST:

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