

**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 Civic Center, 405 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas, 78834 on **Thursday, February 3, 2022**, commencing at **5:30 p.m.** for considering the following items of business:

### **CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Oscar E. Puente called meeting to order at approximately 5:31 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

<b>Oscar E. Puente</b>	<b>Mayor</b>
<b>Sofia Morones</b>	<b>Councilor</b>
<b>Ashley Moreno</b>	<b>Councilor</b>
<b>Mario Ruiz</b>	<b>Councilor</b>
<b>Chris A. Castaneda</b>	<b>City Manager</b>

#### **Absent:**

<b>David Balderas</b>	<b>Councilor</b>
<b>Melissa M. Guerra</b>	<b>City Clerk</b>

A quorum was established.

#### **STAFF:**

Marisela, Tristan, Finance Specialist	John Camarillo, Public Works Director
Ramsey Castillo, Water Dept. Supervisor	Nestor Montalvo, Street Dept. Supervisor
Brenda Reyes, HR Specialist	

### **WELCOME & RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Mayor Oscar E. Puente welcomed and recognized all guests present.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

No public comments.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARDS TO CITY OF CARRIZO SPRINGS PENDING PROJECTS**

Mayor Oscar E. Puente welcomes new City Manager Chris A. Castaneda to his first city council meeting.

Mayor Oscar E. Puente states that he met with City Manager Chris A. Castaneda regarding the city's pending projects.

### **Carrizo Ivy Well & Carrizo Golf Storage Tank – Water Well Diesel Generators**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states to Council that they have received two quotes for the water well diesel generators. The quotes from Waukesha-Pearce Industries includes a turnkey installation for the generators and the quote from Xylem did not include the turnkey installation. City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that the generators will be purchased with the ARPA Funds and that there are two more quotes pending for the diesel generators. City Manager Chris Castaneda recommends presenting the quotes at the next meeting to take action.

### **Veterans Park ADA Restrooms**

Public Works Director John Camarillo states to Council that he received a quote for the Veterans Park ADA restroom that included extending the existing restroom for handicap stalls in the men's and ladies' restroom and a whole new remodel.

Councilor Mario Ruiz asked if they had requested a quote from Robert Puente the contractor that build the restrooms for the City of Asherton. Street Supervisor Nestor Montalvo stated that he had not contacted Robert Puente for a quote. Mayor Oscar E. Puente states that they need to get more bids for the Veterans Park Restrooms. Public Works Director John Camarillo stated that he would contact Robert Puente for a quote for the Veterans Park ADA restrooms.

### **City of Carrizo Springs Welcome Signs**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda updates Council with the status of the welcome signs, he states that he reached out to TXDOT and was told that the city needed a resolution to go forward with the project, the resolution will be added to the next regular session. The welcome sign quote on hand is dated December 2020 and the updated quote is a little over \$53,000. City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that as per TXDOT specifications the wildcat emblem and welcome to Carrizo Springs cannot be added to the welcome sign.

Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones asks how the welcome signs are going to be funded. City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that he does not know how the welcome signs will be funded but will look into it. Mayor Oscar E. Puente states that two quotes are needed for the signs.

Mayor Oscar E. Puente inquires on how many signs are going to be installed at the city's entryways. City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that the quote is for four welcome signs.

### **Carrizo Hill Water Supply Agreement**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda spoke to Special Counsel Bobby Maldonado regarding the Carrizo Hill Water Supply Agreement, and is still waiting on Jeff Snowden for paperwork. Mayor Oscar E. Puente requested for the city manager to contact Special Counsel Bobby Maldonado to create the Carrizo Hill Water Supply Agreement and incorporate the same rate the City of Carrizo Springs residents are paying in the agreement.

Public Works Director John Camarillo stated that he is getting quotes for the wastewater flow meter for Carrizo Hill.

Mayor Oscar E. Puente states that the water rates for Carrizo Hill will be discussed and approved in the next regular session to move forward with the new agreement.

**South Texas Rural Health Services Street**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that if the city takes over the street it will be an additional cost to install lights and maintain the street. Councilor Mario Ruiz states that there should be some type of agreement made before the city assumes the responsibility of the street.

**HEB**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that the city would need to get an engineer to look at the HEB building to create a plan and a cost to convert the building into a city hall or offices. Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones states that the HEB building can be used for a new city hall. Council Mario Ruiz suggests renting the building to Sul Ross College or the Southwest Texas Junior College.

**Water Tower Lights**

City Manager Chris A. Castaneda states that he has not seen any quotes for the water tower lights. Water Supervisor Ramsey Castillo states that he did get a quote from J's Electric. Mayor Oscar E. Puente requests to look for the old quotes and have them updated.

**Lions Park**

Street Department Nestor Montalvo states that the old post at the Lions Park have been replaced with new ones and that the street department has been working on cleaning and leveling out the park.

**Veterans Park Addition**

Street Department Nestor Montalvo states the dirt from the Lions Park was moved to the Veterans Park Addition to level the land. Mayor Oscar E. Puente states that the park addition needs to be developed by adding walking trails, landscaping and add lighting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Sofia Morones, seconded by Councilor Mario Ruiz to adjourn.

Vote for approval 5-0 (unanimous).

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned approximately 6:57 p.m.

Oscar E. Puente  
**Oscar E. Puente, Mayor**  
**City of Carrizo Springs**

**ATTEST**

Melissa M. Guerra  
**Melissa M. Guerra, City Clerk**  
**City of Carrizo Springs**