

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §
TOWN OF LAGUNA VISTA §

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE LAGUNA VISTA TOWN COUNCIL**

DATE: March 10, 2025
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Town of Laguna Vista City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Carter, Mayor
 Dr. Christopher Romero, Mayor Pro-Tem
 Johvonne Howard, Council Member Place 2
 Kenneth Cornelius, Council Member Place 4
 Teresa Bryant, Council Member Place 5
 Miguel Hernandez, Council Member Place 6

 Alan T. Ozuna, Esq.
 Greg Cruz, Commander
 Daniel Holland, Commander
 Neil Waters, Fire Chief
 David Garza, EMS
 Karla De La Pena, City Clerk

ORDER OF BUSINESS

• **Call to Order**

Mayor Carter called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

• **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Invocation led by Teresa Bryant.

• **Roll Call/Excused Absences**

All members present.

OPEN FORUM - At this time, audience is allowed 3 minutes per person to address the Council on any topic. There will be no discussion or formal action taken during this agenda item. The speaker must identify themselves before speaking. A Speaker Request Form must be presented to the City Secretary prior to the meeting.

Darla Jones addressed the Town Council and emphasized the amazing job our first responders did on the fire on Palo Blanco home that happened a few days ago and thanked them for their fast response.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion, consideration, and possible action on each of the following items:

TPW GRANT WORKSHOP- workshop to consider selection of equipment . (Interim City Manager)

Patty Alexander approached the Town Council and gave an update TPW Grant would like the agreement to be resigned with an additional form that was added. She stated the names of point of contact and project coordinator need to be updated. She also stated Crystal Chapa has portal access and suggested the Interim City Manager should sign up so he can have access to sign electronically. Marissa Pecina did a presentation on colors and prices of equipment to be selected by Town Council.

TPW GRANT- Possible action regarding selection of equipment. (Interim City Manager)

Mayor Carter stated they basically had previously talked about this item in a previous agenda item and this would be tabled for another time.

Mayor Carter comes back to this item and asked Mr. Knowles what would be the cost for the master plan, Mr. Knowles explained how he will calculate the cost but will work with the Town to be less than what it would originally cost. He then explained to the council his experience on this kind of project.

Motion was made by Council Member Howard to approve Mr. Stanford Knowles as the Chief Architect.

Second was made by Council Member Cornelius.

VOTE

Council Member Romero	Aye	Council Member Bryant	Aye
Council Member Howard	Aye	Council Member Hernandez	Aye
Council Member Cornelius	Aye	Mayor Carter	Aye

Motion Carried

PARK MASTER PLAN- Consideration and possible action regarding procurement of engineering services to create plan related to Roloff Park. (Interim City Manager)

Patty Alexander explained the Valley Baptist Legacy Grant to Council, stated it would be around \$400,000 for the play structure. She then stated that a basketball court with pickle ball can be added and bring it up to \$50,000 and still leave \$50,000 more for more fitness equipment if wanted. Stanford Knowles then explained what the master plan consisted of and how it can be modified for future updates.

Motion was made by Council Member Howard.

Second was made by Council Member Cornelius.

VOTE

Council Member Romero	Aye	Council Member Bryant	Aye
Council Member Howard	Aye	Council Member Hernandez	Aye
Council Member Cornelius	Aye	Mayor Carter	Aye

Motion Carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION– Executive closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, regarding any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to Section 551.071 – consultation with Town Attorney; 551.072 – deliberation regarding real property; 551.074 – deliberation regarding personnel matters; and 551.087 – deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

Sec.551.074- City Manager

Motion was made by Council Member Bryant to go into executive session.
Second was made by Council Member Dr. Romero.

VOTE

Council Member Romero	Aye	Council Member Bryant	Aye
Council Member Howard	Aye	Council Member Hernandez	Aye
Council Member Cornelius	Aye	Mayor Carter	Aye

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned for Executive Session at 5:28 p.m.
Meeting resumed at 5:34 p.m.

Result of Executive Session to hire Victor Trevino as City Manager.

Motion was made by Mayor Carter to hire Victor Trevino as City Manager.
Second was made by Council Member Bryant.

VOTE

Council Member Romero	Aye	Council Member Bryant	Aye
Council Member Howard	Aye	Council Member Hernandez	Aye
Council Member Cornelius	Aye	Mayor Carter	Aye

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Council Member Bryant to adjourn.
Second was made by Council Member Howard.

VOTE

Council Member Romero	Aye	Council Member Bryant	Aye
Council Member Howard	Aye	Council Member Hernandez	Aye
Council Member Cornelius	Aye	Mayor Carter	Aye

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 5:45 pm



Michael Carter, Mayor

Attest:



Norma Barbosa, City Secretary