



CITY OF ENCINAL
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 8, 2019

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 2. Discussion on Tx Dot Access Road.
 3. Discussion on January Gazette.
 - B. City Consultant
 1. Accounting Report
 - C. Police Chief
6. Discussion on TxDot Taps Project LaSalle County Support.
7. Discussion on Rosalie Welhausen Park Progress.
8. Discussion on CDBG Block Grant
9. Discussion and Action on approving Resolution No. 01082019. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ENCINAL AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK

GRANT PROGRAM.APPLICATION FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00 TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND.

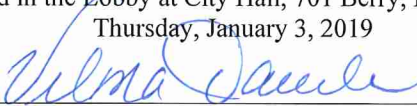
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11. Discussion on January & February Calendar Events for the City of Encinal.
12. Discussion and Action on approving trip for Elderly Program set for January 19, 2019.
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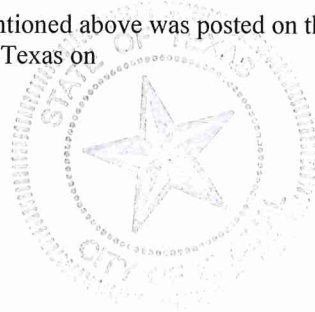
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I, the undersigned City Manager/Attest City Secretary, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas on
Thursday, January 3, 2019



City Manager/Attest City Secretary



City of Encinal
Regular Meeting Minutes
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1. **Pledge of Allegiance.** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sylvano Sanchez at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sanchez and City Council.
2. **Roll call to establishing a quorum.** Present were Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, and Brianda Renteria. Absent were Councilmembers Christina Maldonado and Oliver Jordan.
3. **Citizens Comments.** No Citizens Comments.
4. **Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated October 9, 2018, November 13, 2018 and December 11, 2018.** Councilmember Aldaco stated if we hadn't done that already and City Manager Velma Davila replied no because we didn't have a quorum because Councilman Jordan wasn't here and Councilman Aldaco stated but we did have the meetings and City Manager Davila replied yes we had the meeting but for the first meeting Councilwoman Renteria and Councilman Aldaco were absent so we can't approve those minutes again, but you all can approve the meetings for November 13th 2018 because all of you were here so you would need a motion to table the October 9th ones because there is not a quorum because Councilman Jordan and Councilwoman Maldonado are missing and the ones for December 11th it was Councilman Aldaco, Councilwoman Arizola and Councilman Jordan so those can not be approved and must be tabled as well. A motion to table the minutes from October 9, 2018 and December 11, 2018 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried. A motion to approve the Regular meeting minutes for November 13, 2018 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.
5. **Discussion of City Manager's Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:**
 - A. **City Manager/Consultant**
 1. **Discussion on Rosalie Welhausen City Park Progress.** City Manager Davila told Council that the gentleman has finished putting together the playground equipment and this weekend he should be putting the cement and then the other portions of the park and at the end of the month the County Judge will be putting our splash pad on the agenda and Mayor was with me when Judge Rodriguez notified me of that so that they can approve the money for the Splash Pad and we can do that also and I spoke to Jimmy Lozano today and he asked if we were going to need more millings from TX Dot because they are giving us 15 more loads and I told him that I would speak to the Commissioners that helped us last time and at that time I asked him when they would be having the ribbon cutting for the access road so that I could advice City Council so that we could all be there and he said he would get back to me on that and they are all done with the access road they have the striping and the signage, Councilwoman Renteria asked when

they would be opening it and City Manager Davila replied that he would get back with me on that so it is already all done.

2. Discussion on TX Dot Access Road.

- 3. Discussion on January Gazette.** City Manager Davila told Council that we put the Toys for Tots on the Gazette this month and Councilman Aldaco got to experience that with us this year and she asked Councilman Aldaco if he would like to share anything about his experience with Council and Councilman Aldaco replied that he enjoyed it and especially seeing all the smiles on the kids and City Manager Davila added that she would like to thank the Police Department for helping us with that and Mr. Weikel went like a week later to take pictures with the kids and he called me and we sent one of our Officers to go with him and I believe that they took pictures with Santa. City Manager Davila told Council that our Christmas Elderly gathering went very well and then we did the Christmas caroling the first year and we had a lot of people that told us that they really liked that and I would like to compliment Councilman Aldaco about his house it looked amazing and Councilman Aldaco replied that now he was crying because of his light bill but he said that happens every year I get a bill for over \$400. City Manager Davila told Council that they have the January & February calendar and on the 21st we will be having the Martin Luther King Holiday and on February 14th we will be having our annual party that we do for our queens.

B. City Consultant

- 1. Accounting Report.** City Consultant Ashley Eddington told Council that our CDBG grant which was originally due on February 7th and we received notice from TDA that now it is due on March 13th 2019 and I wanted to discuss with you a little bit about the audit and Mayor was in there with me today as the Auditors made their first audit request and the audit request are basically contracts and things like that and they need to review those and compare those to the audit information along with the amortizations and the contracts for purchasing equipment and there were 25 items on there and about those 25 there were about 15 items that were clarifications for other small things and he only had 2 items that we had discussed some changes on and everything else was really good so I will get that and I will not be here on Thursday but I will be here Friday to compile all this information so we will put that together and give that to him and once we get that to him he will be able to move on to his management letter and I have already started the next years reconciliation so hopefully we will get those to him in about a week and a half and City Manager Davila added that she wasn't in that meeting and City Consultant Eddington added that he will not issue any financial statements until the 1st audit is complete because if you go in and try to make adjustments and if you make a wrong entry you can mess everything up and we don't want to put anything new into the system

- C. Police Chief.** Police Chief Roy Vallejo told Council that we might have a new reserve she is from Carrizo and she just graduated from the academy and City Manager Davila added that we would be getting another and I believe that he works with Officer Butterfield and Chief Vallejo attended a CJD meeting and maybe you would like to share some of that with Council and Chief Vallejo replied that they were discussing about the grants again and they have made a lot of changes specially on the applications when you are presenting the grants

now, now they say I can't present it anymore because I am on the Board so now I will have to have somebody do it for me because it's not fair to the other people coming from out of town and they are not on the Board. City Manager Davila told Council that we would be having an auction soon because we have some vehicles that we need to get rid of and I wanted to inform you that Sergeant Silva took another position with El Cenizo as Assistant Chief of Police and I know that he's closer to his home now but he will still be working for us every Sunday and he will also be joining us when we go to the elderly trip and Naff has stepped in and covered some of his hours and she is really good with the reports and helping Chief. Chief Vallejo told Council that the UCR report is done for the year and right now we are working on the racial profiling report and they gave a total of 1,366 citations for the year. City Manager Davila told Council that the new vehicle that we got with the grant for the Police Department because of the Government Shutdown we are still waiting on it and other cities are suing the Governor's office because they felt they didn't get the right treatment and when that is settled they will be able to give us our vehicle. City Consultant Eddington told Council that the City has always used the property next to the Church and we have used that property to put equipment and things like that and we have been given authority to use it by the Bishop and Mayor and I had a discussion about 8 months ago with the priest and he in turn talked to the Bishop about us possibly doing a community center on their property that connects the Church and the Community Center and the Church would be possibly donating land and they called and asked for some specifics so I will be writing a letter to inform them that it would be part of a TDA grant and we haven't done the grant yet but once we are in a position to do it we will and so right now it is more of an informational thing and they are asking questions wanting to know how they can help the community and how that may work and once we get more information we will pass it on to you all and Councilwoman Renteria asked what the Community Center would be for and City Consultant Eddington replied that it would be for the City and Councilwoman Renteria asked if we would be renting it out and City Consultant Eddington that whatever the City wanted to utilize it as and we would also use it jointly with the Church along with the requirements of TDA because TDA would be providing the bulk of the money and the Church would be providing the land and the City would be providing the administration and what we had proposed before was to allow the citizens to use it for parties, dances and things like that and City Manager Davila added that she wasn't aware of this but that she felt that the people pay a lot of money at the county and Councilwoman Renteria added that they would be paying a lot more, Vicky Rodriguez asked when they would be finished with the County center and Councilwoman Renteria replied that they were supposed to finish by April but that they won't finish until the end of the year and City Consultant Eddington added that is the County building and the City has no authority over but for this one the City would have authority over and these are ideas that we are talking about and as far as the church goes and the little bit I know about property law you have to use specific pieces of property or you get taxed on it so this might be part of their solution of not paying taxes, Councilwoman Renteria asked if it would be at the old City Hall or the gated part and City Consultant Eddington replied it would be on the gated portion and Mayor Sylvano Sanchez stated that the Bishop didn't want any beer joint there and Councilwoman Renteria asked if it would be for daytime parties like baby showers and things like that and City Manager

Davila replied that you would be wasting money on a building because everywhere that you go you can take beer and it would be ridiculous to waste money on that and that is my personal opinion and its not worth it to make a center if you can't rent it to have a quincenera and Mayor Sanchez added that the Bishop just said that we can't sell beer and Councilman Aldaco stated that possibly the reason the Bishop is saying that is because if there was to be an accident they would be liable and City Manager Davila added that we could never do that because the City can not sell beer but you could bring your beer and that is why you would have security just like the County does and City Consultant Eddington added that as we get more information we will bring it back to Council so you all can decide if you all want to do it or not.

6. ***Discussion on TX Dot Taps Project LaSalle County Support.*** City Manager Davila told Council that the County went ahead sent the \$40,000 to Tx Dot to pay for the sidewalk that we needed but they are still doing the investigation and checking the numbers to see if they owe us any money back because they are supposed to give us some credit and we will fight it until they give us some credit back so the County went ahead and did the \$40,000 check and they sent it before the end of the year and City Consultant Eddington added that since that was a direct pay we have to recognize that as income in our books and it would show as an in-kind in our books along with the capitalization of the sidewalks.
7. ***Discussion on Rosalie Welhausen Park Progress.*** City Manager Davila told Council that one of these weekends we are going to have the Staff come in on a Saturday and we are going to start clearing off grass and doing everything that we can and that will include Staff and the Police Department and I am planning to do this in February and our staff is pretty good about including their husbands to help us.
8. ***Discussion on January & February Calendar Events for the City of Encinal.*** City Manager Davila told Council that from now on we will be giving them a calendar of events every month so that you all can be aware of what is going on and if something is added during that time we will call you and let you know so that you can update your calendars and we will still call you when we have our meetings, Councilwoman Renteria said that it was good because she had been asked when the food bank was and she didn't know, City Manager Davila told Council that our food bank is always the third Thursday of the month and this past month was pretty good and we were able to save some food and just yesterday we were able to help somebody that needed food.
9. ***Discussion and Action on approving trip for Elderly Programs set for January 19, 2019.*** City Manager Davila told Council that she would like for them to consider changing the date from January 19th to February 1st and I did go check this place out and it is like a flea market but it's not and Damiana was the one that mentioned this place and I went and checked it out and I do believe that the elderlies will have a really good time here and if they want to do something else afterwards we could and at least come home by 6 o'clock and drive back home and be here by 8 o'clock and if you all do approve it I can go ahead and start booking the van and we are planning to get it here in Laredo and the Judge would pick it up and we also have Chief Vallejo that will be going as well and Monik will be staying and working on Friday and the rest of the girls will be going so Monik will work half a day on Friday and we will probably give her the day off on Monday to make up her hours so if your ok with that and we plan as getting as many people as we can and we are going to give them a deadline because we need to be able to book the van in

advance and I would like to hear your thoughts on this and whether you want 62 years and over or 60 years and over to attend and I say the more the merrier, Councilwoman Renteria asked if anybody under 62 has asked to go and City Manager Davila replied some that are 60 had asked, Councilman Aldaco asked if the City Manager was requesting the date of February 1st and City Manager Davila replied yes because the reason we changed it was because of the dance so it gives our people from our community an opportunity to mingle with people from other communities, Councilwoman Renteria asked where were they planning to go on the 19th and City Manager Davila replied that we were going to take them to the Trader's Village and we were going to take them on a Saturday but I think this place is better and I have been to Trader's Village in the past and they do have music but it is outdoors and what if it's cold or it's raining and Damiana did call and they weren't going to have music and Damiana did find this one and they will have a DJ and on Sunday's is when they have live bands and they can walk around inside also and we are going to take 3 or 4 officers and the staff as well, Councilwoman Renteria stated that she might ask for the day off also, City Manager Davila told Council that the reason she was taking the officers is because they are going on comp time and the girls have comp time as well and I am not going to close the city because Monik will be here for 4 hours and they have comp time which means I won't pay them but if they want a day or a half a day in the future they can make it up with that because it is a function that we are doing for our elderlies and we will buy them breakfast tacos that morning and we will provide lunch for them over there and if they want to take money to buy things over there they can and I will go and explain more to them because I did tell them about it but I told them that I would present it to Council for their approval first but that I would let them know for sure. A motion to approve the trip for Elderly Programs set for February 1, 2019 was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

10. ***Discussion and Action on Elderly Program Valentine Queen Gathering set for February 14, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.*** City Manager Davila told Council that this year we will be having the event on Valentine's Day and this is what we are doing we went ahead and took the ballots to the old City Hall and we did tell them if they already won queen they could still get 1st and 2nd runner-up and if Ms. Maldonado or Ms. Aldaco wins for queen again they would be moved over to 1st runner-up but we would like for all of them to get a chance to win for queen because we don't want to have the same one every year, Councilman Aldaco stated that he agreed let the other ones have a chance, and City Manager Davila added that we let them know that they can vote for one person but not for themselves and some of them made suggestions of who they thought should be queen and I did tell them that they have to vote and we can't make any suggestions so that it is fair for everyone and what I did ask them was what did they think if we let the whole community vote for the group of people that attend the elderly program and they were ok with that so I placed it in the front and I put their name up there also and I also provided the voting ballots and we also placed a box there so everybody that comes and votes will sign their name when they vote and at the end that ballot box will be with the Chief and we will count them and as an example if 43 people signed up then we should have 43 ballots and the ballot box that they have at the old City Hall they can vote however they choose to over there and the staff is not allowed to vote only the people that live in the community and you are only allowed to vote once and I am planning to make enchiladas with rice and beans for that day. A motion to approve the Elderly Program Valentine Queen Gathering set for February 14,

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12. **Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting.** The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. A motion to have the next City of Encinal Regular on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.** A motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. The Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Minutes were approved by Council Member Brianda Renteria and a second Motion was made by Council Member Irma Arizola on this the 12th day of March 2019.

Velma Davila
Velma Davila, City Manager
Attest City Secretary



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 1. Discussion only Elderly Valentine Queen Gathering and recognizing 2019 Elderly Queen Court.
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 3. Discussion only February & March Calendar.
 4. Discussion only February & March Gazette.
 5. Discussion only Cinco de Mayo dates of Events.
 - B. City Consultant
 1. Accounting Report
 - C. Police Chief
6. Swearing in of Police Officer Valerie Naff to Sergeant.
7. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Auction for March 28th, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m. The auction will be posted in the newspaper.
8. Presentation on Encinal Police Department Outreach under the Police Initiative Program.

9. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Outreach Program.
10. Discussion and Action on approving Resolution No. 02122019. A Resolution adopting the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program for City of Encinal Youth from 6th grade to 12th grade and surrounding area. The goal of the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program is to promote good citizenship through education and law enforcement experiences.
11. Discussion on the submission of the Public Safety Office Form required by the Office of the Governor.
12. Discussion and Action on allowing City Staff to follow Procurement Requirements for Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant advertisement that was placed in newspaper and/or using the buy board for procurement. (Procurement is required because Police Unit will be more than 50,000.)
13. Discussion and Action approving the purchase of a Police vehicle under the JAG Grant up to \$65,000.00.
14. Discussion and Action on approving the submission of the Homeland Security Overtime Local Border Grant due March 28, 2019.
15. Discussion on the submission of the Criminal Justice Assistance (JAGS) Vehicle Grant that was due February 28, 2019 for two Police Vehicles in the amount of \$114,542.00.
16. Discussion on City Staff attendance at the 2019 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Projects Workshop on March 13, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon.
17. Discussion on approving the submission of the 2019 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project.
18. Discussion and Action on approving the Date and Time of the Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing LaSalle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project.
19. Discussion and Action approving the purchase of the cement for the sidewalks for Rosalie Welhausen City Park and setting a scheduled date for the project. Also asking for any community volunteers to help with this project.
20. Discussion and Action on adopting Ordinance No. 03122019-C. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF 3 TRACKS OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF ENCINAL AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY MEET AND BOUNDS HERETO:

Exhibit A: Tax Suit: 11-01-00002-TXL LOT 2 BLOCK 3 OF THE BERRY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ENCINAL SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS.

Exhibit B: Tax Suit: 13-10-00066-TXL LOT 8 OF ELLIS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ENCINAL TEXAS SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS

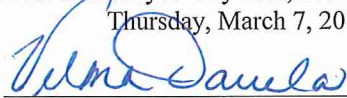
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22. Discussion and Action on approving Certification of Unopposed Status for Mayor and City Council Members.
23. Discussion and Action on approving Ordinance No. 03122019. An Ordinance Declaring Unopposed Candidates for the Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.
24. Discussion and Action on approving the Cancellation of the City of Encinal Election scheduled for May 4, 2019.

25. Discussion and Action on approving the Canceling of the May 4, 2019 General Election for the City of Encinal due to unopposed candidates for the Mayoral and City Council at – Large.
26. Discussion and Action on February Food Bank set for March 21, 2019.
27. Discussion and Action on approving re-imbursement for training attended by City Manager.
28. Discussion and Action on Emergency Management Director/Coordinator Notification Appointments.
29. Discussion and Action on approving CDBG additional forms as required for submitting grants with the Texas Department of Agriculture.
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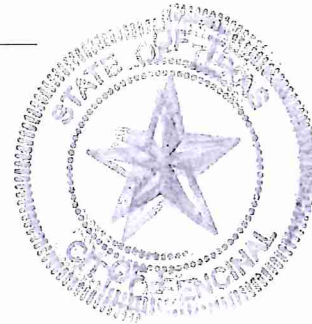
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2. **Roll call to establishing a quorum.** Present were Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Oliver Jordan. Councilmember Christina Maldonado was absent.
3. **Citizens Comments.**
4. **Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated October 9, 2018, December 11, 2018, January 8, 2019. (Also included minutes for Public Hearing held on October 25, 2019 --- no approval needed.)** City Manager Velma Davila advised Council that for the October 9, 2018 meeting minutes Councilwoman Renteria and Councilman Aldaco were ineligible to vote as they were not present for the meeting the only ones that could vote would be Councilman Jordan and Councilwoman Arizola. Councilman Aldaco stated that he would be abstaining because the meeting was too far back. City Manager Davila stated that the reason they hadn't been approved was because you all missed, and we didn't have a meeting last month. A motion to approve the October 9, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Councilman Jordan and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, motion carried, and minutes were approved. Mayor Sanchez noted that Councilman Aldaco had abstained. Councilman Aldaco stated that he would be abstaining on all the motions for Item 4. A motion to approve the December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, motion carried. A motion to approve the January 8, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, motion carried.
5. **Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:**

A. City Manager/Consultant

1. **Discussion only Elderly Valentine Queen Gathering and recognizing 2019 Elderly Queen Court.** City Manager Davila told Council that after the meeting they would like to see what it looks like to put together a grant and all the time and effort that is put into it you are more than welcome to come and see it in the Conference room where City Consultant Eddington is currently putting together the CDBG grant for the streets and it is all laid out in the table and that is what he has to take tomorrow. City Manager Davila congratulated Councilwoman Arizola for being selected the 2019 Elderly Valentine Queen and our 1st Runner Up Olga Gonzalez, and our 2nd Runner Up Josefina Rodriguez.
2. **Discussion only Rosalie Welhausen Park Program.** City Manager Davila told Council that we had received the money for the park from the County and I spoke to the County Judge today and he told me that he would be talking to the County Treasurer to see when we can get the money from them for the water park.

3. Discussion only February and March Calendar.

4. Discussion only February and March Gazette. City Manager Davila told she had included the February and March Gazettes because since we didn't have a meeting in February I wanted you all to see that the playground at the park has already been put up and for March we have all the upcoming events for the Cinco de Mayo and I hope that you can join us for the upcoming events starting on April 18th with the Cinco de Mayo pageants and the 25th is our parade and the 27th is our Cinco de Mayo and next week we will have our EEDC meeting because Mr. Weikel is out of state and we should be able to have a meeting for the yard of the month and we have brush pick up scheduled from March 20th thru March 25th and that date is tentative because it might change depending on the collection. Councilman Jordan stated that he knew that Cotulla is picking up tires and things like that and Councilman Aldaco added a clean up within the city and Councilman Jordan said yes Cotulla is doing it and I was hoping we could do it too have something where we can throw tires and things like that. City Manager Davila replied that if he remembered when we had our Solid Waste Grant that we had last year and we gave a certain amount of time for tires and we do get charged a lot when we dispose of tires and I believe it is \$5.00 a tire and City Consultant Eddington added that the grant was for \$5,000 and we disposed of 750 tires and I think we designated an average of \$2.25 per tire because we had regular and large tires but maybe for the next Middle Rio Grande grant we can designate an event for tires and City Manager Davila added that we are going to have a brush clean up with more containers but not for tires because every grant is different and if you put things like tires and it's not for tires then you would finish the grant faster and it would mean that we could get less containers. Councilman Jordan asked if we were using the same people (company) as Cotulla and City Manager Davila replied that we have always used Southern Sanitation because that is the closest and cheapest that we can get and they are the only ones that deliver here, Councilman Jordan asked who were the ones that delivered here to Encinal and City Manager Davila replied that it was Southern Sanitation and Councilman Jordan replied for us to get them and City Manager Davila replied that what she was trying to explain that we have designated monies for designated things so if you put a trash pickup for just tires you will probably get a bill of about \$5,000 because we have to pay for those tires to get disposed of so you will be providing the service for free and you are going to use city funds for that when we can use grant money instead and what we wanted to do for the brush pick up if you approve it would be for brush and the issue that we have with that is that us as City employee's shouldn't have to go to your house to pick up your trash and I don't think that is fair because I am sure Cotulla doesn't go house by house picking up people's trash and when you have a designated area for containers you should be able to bring your own trash and honestly people shouldn't be that lazy and not want to come and dispose of their brush because they want us to do it for them and we don't have the man power to do that and it isn't fair to our guys either and City Consultant Eddington added that there are some specific designations that we must follow for the Middle Rio Grande grant and they follow the guidelines of TCEQ and Councilman Jordan replied that he was tired of seeing piles of trash and City Manager Davila replied that we have driven around town and Mr. Aldaco

is doing a great job with the guys and our city has never been so clean and Councilman Jordan replied to start off with the road by city hall on the next street down and City Manager Davila replied that we have been sending code enforcement letters and they have begun to clean their properties but it is the owner's responsibility to throw that trash away and that is where the code enforcement fines come through and I live in a city where I cut shrubs in my acres and I have to take them to the landfill in Laredo because they aren't going to pick them up for free for us and Councilman Jordan stated that we didn't have a landfill here and City Manager Davila replied that we don't have one where I live either and we have to travel 32 miles and we are still expected to dispose of the brush and people should be held responsible for their own properties the city can't afford to be responsible for them but if you all want to have our guys go pick up people's trash then you all need to put it on an agenda item and you all can vote to have it approved but I personally don't think it is fair for us to go into everybody's property and pick up their trash. Councilman Aldaco stated that he had a question and now that we are talking about being unfair if everybody would pay we would have a lot of money and it is not fair for a young couple and both of them working and here you have older people that are 70 or 80 years old and living off social security and they pay we would have right now in Encinal some of the people all together more than \$50,000 and City Manager Davila replied that you know because you see the things but that is what I'm saying we are going to go pick up from those people that don't pay their trash because those are the ones that have the trash and I have driven around town and people that don't pay the trash are the ones that have the junk and I don't think it's fair that Mr. Aldaco, Ms. Arizola and Brianda's mom they all pay their trash and I don't think it's fair and we are doing things for people and telling them it's ok and that is one of the reasons that we started doing the code enforcement because people were not being responsible when it came to their property and there is people that don't clean their yards or cut their grass and it's not fair to the ones that do and I can honestly tell you that Mr. Aldaco's yard is one of the best ones in town so you have an older gentleman cutting and cleaning his property yet you have others that are young and don't do that and there is this lady that called Monik and they cut their branches a year ago but I'm not going to have my guys go and pick them up and Mayor how many times have we had the containers and those people don't bring them because they are lazy and I am not going to push my guys to do that because it's not fair and that is the way I feel and maybe I'm wrong and I honestly feel that our city is looking a lot better than it was months ago and they are really working at it and cleaning properties that were given to us and we are trying the best I can but I can't be held liable for people not being responsible for cleaning their own property. Councilman Aldaco asked if she (City Manager Davila) or Ashley (City Consultant Eddington) have checked if even half of the people that are paying decide not to pay because you have about 50% of the people not paying what are we going to do as a city and City Consultant Eddington replied that right now our collection rate is some where between 75 or 80% and it used to be much lower than that and the reason that we have so much in amounts due is that in the past nothing was being collected and when we put policies and procedures in place we began to make that collection rate go up and there is an issue on being able to collect a

bill that is older than 4 years old so if a bill is older than 4 years old you can't sue them or you can't put a lien on them because you only have a certain amount of time to collect in so all the bills that are back from past years that are in the \$2,000's before the 4 year period those are difficult to collect because you don't have a strong arm and put liens on the properties and things like that and that 75% kind of revolves and you have 75% who pay month number 1 and of the remaining 25% you have people paying month 2, month 3 and month 4 and yes you still have some people who owe some money but those numbers are going down and one of the things that we put in place with the code enforcement and with the permits is that if that address not the individual owes trash or permits code enforcement or anything like that they can't get a trash account and City Manager Davila added that they get upset and they swear and get so mad and City Consultant Eddington added that they are renting out those properties and getting money so in order to get a light permit or anything like that they must pay all city amounts that are owed and Councilman Aldaco added that those are very few and I would say less than 10 and City Manager Davila added that he would be surprised at how many people have left the bills that they rent their houses and trash is owed and Councilman Aldaco said that what he meant is that they don't pay and City Manager Davila replied that the new people that are moving in they can't rent it and the owner must pay and City Consultant Eddington added that it may be a small amount but since they are rental properties the amount that they owe is large so we have had a couple of really good ones and they come in and they pay and if we had the ability to cut something off like a utility like water or electricity we would have a higher collection rate and City Manager Davila added that getting back to Cotulla and speaking with Mr. Dovalina (City Manager for Cotulla) and I have been speaking to him back and forth for the last 2 weeks because of the properties and what he is doing is he is going in there and cleaning the properties and he throws everything from it and then he puts a lien on the property and when he puts a lien on the property and in a year he takes the property from them so all that comes to City Council and that must be approved through City Council to allow us to do that but when it comes to it being your family and we follow the rules that we adopt here it goes straight for everyone and I have received calls from you all when something happens with a family member and I don't want to be a part of that and Councilman Aldaco added well if you turn it around some people may say since Mr. Aldaco is there they can't do anything to his family and that is not fair to all the people and I if it was me I don't care if it was my mother brother or whatever they have to pay and City Manager Davila added that is what Mr. Dovalina is doing and he doesn't care he's putting the lien on the property and taking it away from them and if we had the funds to do that and get all the open tops to clean out the property then we would do it but thankfully with that other solid waste grant that we got we will be able to buy the chipper and that will help us with that and we are glad that we got the grant and now City Consultant Eddington will be able to order the chipper that was approved by City Council and we will be able to chip the brush and we will put some of it at the old City Hall and some here also and that is why we are starting the yard of the month so people can beautify their properties with the clippings.

5. Discussion only Cinco de Mayo dates of Events.

B. City Consultant

1. **Accounting Report.** City Consultant Eddington told Mayor Sanchez that he didn't have anything for today because I'm working on the grant and I really would like for you all to go and take a look and putting together this grant is not just me but all of the staff and there are a lot of documents that are required for a grant and when I did the TAPS grant it was over 275 pages that we submitted and it was so large that I had to submit it through a special file and this one isn't quite that large but you do have to submit 3 different copies, one original and two copies so we submit one original and one copy and we keep a copy for us also. City Manager Davila told Council that she wanted to say something because it is still under the City Manager's report, she wanted Council to know that our Police Department has partnered with the La Salle County Sheriff's Office to do the Stone Garden Grant and stone garden is money that is given to the officers for overtime hours and it is sort of like the JAGS grant that we currently have for them but it is a little bit more and the Homeland Security Border Patrol that we know let us know when it was due so we called the Sheriff and he agreed so we did that and next Thursday we will have the media and Congressman Cuellar here and it is going to be a big thing because Congressman Cuellar wants to present the grant to La Salle County Sheriff's Office for last year 2018 and we applied for the 2019 year to join forces together with them so they are going to present it here and we will be getting \$40,000 for next year and it will get approved this year but they won't award it till next year in January but this year it is for them but the County Judge wanted to it here because they wanted to do it in Laredo but the Judge didn't want to have it in Laredo so that is why they are having it here because it belongs to La Salle County area and I would like for you to be here that day at about 9 in the morning and City Consultant Eddington added that what they requested from us was our data, the same data that we use for our overtime grant so I forwarded that to them and this is the same information that we have been using for the past 3 years for the overtime grant with the Governor's office and it is a 15% fringe benefit which is FICA and Social Security, TWC and Worker's comp and we used the rates that we pay our guys and City Manager Davila told Council to write it on their calendars so that they won't forget to come that day.

C. Police Chief.

6. **Swearing in of Police Officer Valerie Naff to Sergeant.** A motion to table item 6 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.
7. **Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Auction for March 28, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m.** The Auction will be posted in the newspaper. City Manager Davila told Council that she needed approval from Council to have the auction and post it in the newspaper and it would be all the vehicles behind the city hall and I believe we have about 6 or 7 so we put it for March 28th and the viewing will be at 5 p.m. and the auction will be at 6 and we just need to get rid of those cars because they haven't come for them. Councilman Jordan asked if there were any vehicles that we could use and City Manager Davila replied that by law we must put them all out for auction and if they don't sell we can keep them to use for public works like the white one that we haven't been able to fix yet and there are some

other little things that we have to fix on it. A motion to approve the Police Department Auction for March 28, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried.

8. *Presentation on Encinal Police Department Outreach under the Police Initiative Program.* City Manager Davila told City Council that she invited Bella here today and I will have Damiana speak a little about the Police Department Outreach Program and there are different divisions in the program and Bella's Safety Awareness and Bella is going to tell you a little bit about this program, Bella told City Council that Bella's Safety Awareness there is an anti-bullying program and there is cyber safety, youth substance abuse, and why we should be against bullying and if they are getting bullied to reach out to people. City Manager Davila asked Bella to please explain how this program can help the community and your fellow peers and what is happening in schools and what challenges you are facing as students. Bella told Council that our teachers aren't the best teachers and our students aren't the best either and there are constantly kids going to the counselor and the counselor doesn't do anything and the principal isn't doing anything so there are about 2 kids per week going to the counselor and they are getting sent to the office and they aren't doing anything so I think that this is a good program for them to actually get help so they won't try to do something to themselves or harm anyone. Councilman Jordan asked who runs this and City Manager Davila replied that Damiana would be explaining that right now. Damiana told City Council that the Encinal Police Department would be doing the program and the program will start on May 7th that is when the academy will start and City Manager Davila added that this is part of the Police Department Initiative program that you all approved months ago last year some time and the Police Initiative started with the bike rodeo and different things that they do like the 3 on 3 basketball tournament and that is all part of the Police Initiative and the Lypsinc Challenge that we had with the officers that is all part of the Police Initiative so the reason that Damiana will be explaining it is because she will be helping Chief run this program and if we can go to the next item we can discuss it further.

9. *Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Outreach Program.* Damiana told Council that this would be about criminal law, the use of force, arrest, search and seizure, handcuffing, traffic stops, felony traffic stops, crash investigation, crime scene investigation, self-defense, report writing, physical fitness and that is what Officer Abrego will be teaching and active shooter response, canine demonstration and Constable Maldonado will be helping with that as well and City Manager Davila added that our Constable would be partnering with us and so will La Salle County Fire and Rescue and what we would like to accomplish here is a Police Academy that teaches you all of that plus the canine demonstration with the Constable plus first aid with the La Salle County Fire & EMS and then you include the Bella's Safety Awareness which is about bullying and how to control yourself and how to help others that are being bullied or are bullies and to prevent kids from committing suicide and not wanting to go to school and fighting constantly with their parents and being angry and different things that they are going through so what our officers and our EMS and Fire are going to do is talk to the kids and start this program and Officer Abrego will have fifteen to thirty minutes every week with them doing physical training and Office Abrego is a Crossfit instructor and he will be doing that with them and it will be a two and a half hour day and possibly on the weekends taking them to see other departments and do other things and I believe that this program will be really good for our kids and then after a certain amount of weeks they will have the graduation the last day and Councilwoman Renteria added that it was like a mentoring

program and City Manager Davila replied that it was like a mentoring program and also teaching the kids about law enforcement and what it's like to be a police officer and that our police officer's are not bad people they are actually there to help you and all these things on the tv that police officers are bad and that they are not worth it and that you can talk to them however well here you are going to learn what it is and we feel that all of us together because we are going to volunteer our time here too after hours which we started doing a tutoring program Tuesdays and Thursdays and then they went out on Spring Break where we even have volunteers from the community come in and wanting to help with the same program and hopefully we can resume the tutoring next week when they go back to school and Bella and her sister have been volunteering just like our Queens have volunteered in the past and they clean and file paperwork and that is part of the mentoring and letting them learn what it is to be a grown up and even though you are a kid you are going to have to grow up one day and have responsibility and I feel that all of us together can make a difference in our community along with the Police Department and our partnership with the Fire & EMS and our Constable and it will be a great program and it will be something that you all brought in and that we can continue. Councilman Jordan asked if we would be doing this once a month and City Manager Davila replied that it would be once a week on Tuesdays and you have the applications before you and in the applications the parents give us permission and if we want to take them somewhere we will bring it to City Council and advise you where we are taking them and it will not be funded by the City and I will donate some things and the staff will donate also and outside volunteers to provide lunch for them or breakfast depending on however long they are here and I wanted to discuss a little about the properties donated to us and I will go more in depth later but I want to let you know why we thought this program would be great and there were 3 properties that were foreclosed and not sold at auction so the County and the School took them over and we went before Commissioner's Court and we asked for the properties and they approved and they gave us the properties and City Consultant Eddington added that we had to pay \$1.00 for each property and City Manager Davila added that she would discuss more details later and then we went before the School Board and we told them what we were going to do with the properties and they approved it and today we brought back the properties with the Resolutions that was passed and we have the property right here in the corner that belonged to Ms. Oliva, the gas station and we have started cleaning it and we feel that could be a substation for our Police Department for our Police Academy and they can learn the responsibility of painting it one weekend and build it up to look presentable for anything that we want to do there and the other property would be for a community garden so those presentations that we did at the Commissioner's Court and at the School Board and for the community garden Ms. Aldaco had a great idea of planting trees and have her tree for her kids to have a memory that she planted that tree and so that her grandkids would be motivated to want to go and water that tree and continue working on the community garden and we welcome anyone from the community that would like to volunteer at the community garden and we are going to be giving away whatever we grow there, Councilman Jordan asked where that would be at and City Manager Davila replied that it would be next to Ana Maldonado's house is and I believe it is the Neto Garcia property and that one was given to us as well and the other property was the one next to Ms. Ramona Alanis and that property was terrible that she was so scared to even go outside and if you go see the property now you won't even recognize it and Mr. Aldaco and Tony have cleaned that property and them two alone and Councilman Jordan replied that he would like to thank those guys and they are always working and City Manager Davila added that they have done a great job

and I am not saying that the other guys don't do a good job but Mr. Aldaco and Tony are the ones that are cleaning and they are the ones that are doing all of that so and we tell Mr. Aldaco and Tony that we appreciate them and we tell everybody and we praise all of our staff but I am telling you that they are the ones that have cleaned that so Mr. Aldaco started cleaning this one alone because Tony was on vacation and then he came back and started helping him with that one and the other property next to Ramona you all need to go see it. Councilman Jordan asked how we were doing on our equipment and stuff like that and City Manager replied ok but I don't know if you have heard but two weeks ago we had a little drama our lawn mower broke and our windows broke also, Tony ran over a rock and shattered the police side and we had to bring in someone right away and installing a window and having Mando and his crew help us take off the door and put the door back anyway it's done and it is fixed but now we have to fix the lawnmower but we did fix the gravelly thanks to Mando and his guys and we paid them instead of having to take it all the way to San Antonio, Councilwoman Renteria stated that she was sure it was an arm and a leg and City Manager Davila replied that we were going to have to transport it to San Antonio and as long as we don't weld it we will be ok and they fixed it for us but when they came and helped us with the door they didn't charge us so we are working more with people from the community that we weren't working with before and Councilman Jordan added that now we have to work with the water and City Manager Davila replied that we try and we actually do work with the water and Councilman Jordan added that we need to get together with them and maybe get a bigger grant and help them out and maybe they can help us out too and City Manager Davila added that we would keep trying and we are not going to give up on anything and as long as we try and better the city that is all that matters and Councilman Aldaco added that he thought he would die before the water decides to join us and City Manager Davila added that we needed a motion to approve the outreach program and this is the program itself with all the stuff. City Manager Davila asked Mr. Rodriguez if he had any comments on the program and Mr. Rodriguez replied that since she (Bella) started coming to the city and it changed her from staying in her room all day and always being on her phone she has changed a lot specially in her character and she also didn't want to go to school and I also heard you all talking about tires and you all could have people deliver tires to the community garden and you all could use the tires there and you could repurpose the tires and City Manager Davila replied that is so true and we could either plant around them and I believe I can see a change in Bella and I remember Bella from two months ago and I have seen a really big change in her and I am very proud of her and she will be running for Jr. Miss Encinal soon and we are excited about that and we enjoy having them here as long as they want to stay out of trouble and they don't want to be home and they want to be here working and volunteering they are more than welcome to be here at the city and we love having them and thank you Bella for everything that you do. A motion to approve the Police Department Outreach Program was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

10. Discussion and Action on approving Resolution No. 02122019. A Resolution adopting the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program for City of Encinal Youth from 6th grade to 12th grade and surrounding area. The goal of the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program is to promote good citizenship through education and law enforcement experiences. City Manager Davila told Council that before we approve the resolution she would like to mention that Councilwoman Renteria had asked about the endorsement and she added that TML said we could insure up to 25 volunteers and they would be insured through the city and if we have people that come and do

community service and I didn't know that we needed them insured because after seven years I didn't know that and it would also cover the food bank volunteers and if somebody comes and gets hurt. A motion to approve Resolution No. 02122019, A Resolution adopting the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program for City of Encinal Youth from 6th grade to 12th grade and surrounding area. The goal of the Encinal Police Department Outreach Program is to promote good citizenship through education and law enforcement experiences, was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

11. Discussion on the submission of the Public Safety Office Form required by the Office of the Governor. City Consultant Eddington told Council that the Governor's Office is going through some upgrades and this is one of the forms that is required to be completed for all of our grants and this particular one we went ahead and got done for our overtime grant and we have to submit one for the new overtime grant and also for the new vehicle we just applied for so it is just another required form by the Governor's office. No motion required.

12. Discussion and Action on allowing City Staff to follow Procurement Requirements for Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant advertisement that was placed in newspaper and/or using the buy board for procurement. (Procurement is required because Police Unit will be more than 50,000.) City Manager Davila told Council if they remembered the submission we had last year for a new Police Department vehicle and there was a hold on this because there was a lawsuit in Chicago by some other department and so now we have the clearance for the money and the money was already available so I went ahead and posted it because the money was already available so before you is the affidavit that it will be posted for 2 weeks and the bids are due on Thursday March 21st and it won't be awarded until we have our next Council Meeting on April 9th so everything on the bid is on item 12 and it was posted on the Frio Nueces Current and City Consultant Eddington added that every time you have a procurement over \$50,000 it is required that we post it and we post everything even if it is below \$50,000 and City Manager Davila added that this was for the Police JAG Grant for the new vehicle real soon and as long as the bid is within the bid amount. A motion to approve the City Staff to follow Procurement Requirements for Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant advertisement that was placed in newspaper and/or using the buy board for procurement. (Procurement is required because Police Unit will be more than 50,000.) was made by Councilman Jordan and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

13. Discussion and Action approving the purchase of a Police vehicle under the JAG Grant up to \$65,000.00. City Manager Davila told Council that this was basically the same thing and as soon as we get the bids then we award it and then we are able to purchase the vehicle and what we did last time is we purchased the vehicle and then they gave us an invoice they sent us the money and then we paid them the money and City Consultant Eddington added that if you notice the amount is different over \$50,000 we have to go through procurement and we specifically put \$65,000 because the original grant was for \$62,000 and they chopped it down and that is because that is what the Governor's Office does so we added \$3,000 to the original just in case we have to spend a little bit more and these grants there is always a lag of about a year or longer and prices change and if somebody comes to us with a bid for a 2019 and we have a 2018 bid we can still accept the 2019 bid and the price may be higher but why get an 2018 which they have to go search for and bring it over when we can get a 2019 so it gives us some leeway to be able to accept a newer vehicle or the radio controls and the way radios work nowadays they have to be certified and authenticated by

Middle Rio Grande and those radios are very expensive so if we get the radio for five or six thousand dollars that is great but sometimes they are as high as \$8,000 and that's why there is a difference. A motion to approve the purchase of a Police vehicle under the JAG Grant up to \$65,000.00 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried. Councilman Jordan asked where the extra money goes and City Manager Davila replied that the grant is for \$56,000 but we put \$65,000 just in case because last time they gave us the radio we didn't pay for it and they literally included it in the bid and Councilman Jordan replied if last time they just gave you the radio what happened to the extra money and City Manager Davila replied that we didn't have extra money it was for \$56,000 and they actually just added it on and they only charged us the \$56,000 because it was both of us mistake because we didn't know it had to be encrypted and when you encrypt the radios it cost a little bit extra and Councilman Jordan added even if we get a grant for \$65,000 and City Manager Davila replied that we don't get a grant for \$65,000 but we put \$65,000 just in case we have to pay out of our pocket up to \$65,000 not more than that and your basically saying we can't spend any more than \$65,000 is what your telling me so if I want to go buy something that is \$70,000 you didn't approve that so I could get in a lot of trouble so we would rather be safe and we can say sorry Mr. Eddington you can't spend more than that and I wouldn't spend more than the grant anyway and if they don't give it to us for \$56,000 too bad and Councilman Aldaco added in other words it could be less but we have to make sure or they could say your going to have to pay \$62,000 because the radio costs \$5,000 if they say that.

14. Discussion and Action on approving the submission of the Homeland Security Overtime Local Border Grant due March 28, 2019. City Consultant Eddington told Council that this grant is an extension of last years Overtime grant and it is due on March 28th and I believe our previous grant was for \$18,500 and the one before that was \$15,000 and this one will probably be around the eighteen or nineteen thousand range and we have not increased the number of officers but I think we had a slight increase on one of the pays so there might be a slight increase on the amount of the grant previously we had requested vehicle maintenance but the Governor's office doesn't have their stuff together on their submission of that so we decided not to do that anymore and City Manager Davila added that it is another overtime grant it is more money and the current one we have to finish it by August and then we start the new one for September. City Manager Davila told Council that it was overtime hours for the Officers and we have to pay from our own funds and at the end of the month City Consultant Eddington submits for a reimbursement and they will reimburse the City right of way to the Grant Account and City Consultant Eddington added that if they are working the overtime it has to do with border security and it is called enhanced patrol where when they are doing regular patrol it is called steady state so enhanced patrol has to do with some of the border security and things like that it's just not them doing their regular work and City Manager Davila added that if they are stopped on the side of the road and they see a suspicious vehicle and stop it that is considered enhanced patrol and we have swing officers and full time hours and for example Officer Abrego has to work at least 10 hours before he can work overtime and he can't work more than 14 hours per shift so if he is scheduled for 10 hours he can work 4 hours of overtime and that is how they get to work their overtime and Chief and them work 8 hours and then they can work 2 or 3 hours of overtime because they are full time so it depends on their position. Councilman Aldaco asked if we had an Officer working from midnight to six in the morning and City Manager Davila replied that we have them until 2 or 4 in the morning specially if they are working their overtime

and I always put them to 4 o'clock in the morning and the reason we stopped that was because we did have Officer Silva from midnight to eight o'clock in the morning and there was nothing and he would tell you that from three on there is nothing it is dead and I am sure if you put Officer Butterfield to work at that hour I am sure that he would find something but if you put Officer Abrego or Officer Silva you will find them under the bridge and Councilman Jordan asked if there were no officers from midnight to eight in the morning and City Manager Davila replied that Officer Silva stated that from 3 to 6 in the morning there is nothing and usually you start seeing the oilfield workers at 5 in the morning and there is a gap of three hours where there is nothing because people already knew when they were working so now Officer Butterfield likes to come in at 6 o'clock in the morning and that is when he is catching people and he is catching them like at 7 or 7:30 in the morning but they will stay till 4 in the morning so there is no one between 4 and 8 and Councilman Jordan asked how did we do it on the weekends because I know somebody called over here on the weekends and they didn't answer here and City Manager Davila replied that the Officers don't answer here and that is one of the issues we have people call here and I tell the girls already if people call here you tell them to hang up and call 911 because I will not send an officer to your house with you calling me over here because that is not their safety and it is not logged in at dispatch and Councilwoman Renteria added that they have to call dispatch in Cotulla and City Manager Davila added that it was for the safety of our officers and I understand some people need an officer that's fine but call 911 and I tell the officer's head to this place but wait until dispatch calls you and Councilman Aldaco added so anybody would have to call the Cotulla dispatch and City Manager Davila added that she wanted to give them an example of something that happened today this man has called so many times about an animal and our officers and Vicky that last time it happened I told her to document it in his file for the trash that they went and have the officers make the report and thank God it was Officer Abrego because he had already gone and Officer Silva had already gone same report same man about the same animal so they went and the animal had water and no food so he ticketed the people and the man was really upset because he got ticketed and it is the third time we go but next time that man or his wife calls they need to call dispatch or they need to come over here and make a report because I am tired of them taking it over the phone they need to come here and make the report if they feel that dog is being neglected and Councilman Jordan suggested maybe when they don't answer the message should say call dispatch and Councilwoman Renteria stated that it does say that if you have an emergency call 911 and Councilman Jordan replied well it doesn't say call dispatch and Councilwoman Renteria replied that dispatch is 911 so it's the same thing and City Manager Davila added so people call over here and say this is happening so ok come and make a report if it's happening but they like to say it is happening but they don't want to put it on paper and our officers really shouldn't be giving a citation for someone that is neglecting their dog if somebody is not coming in and making a report on it because then you have nothing to back it up so you can just call over here and say they are fighting go over there and send an officer and then you ask who call and we won't know and Officer Abrego stated that he got a call and dispatch wasn't called and what actually happened was that the neighbor got in a scuffle and Officer Ruiz came and backed me up and nobody knew he was there so now I tell them to call dispatch and if you don't call dispatch I'm not responding and it is not logged in so dispatch won't know where I am and Councilwoman Renteria added that in an emergency nobody would have gone to back him up and City Manager Davila added that people get mad when I tell the girls not to do that because I tell them to call 911 but they get mad and they think that we don't want to do our job

but that is not our job and City Hall is not a place to call for police stuff and Councilman Aldaco suggested that we should mention that in our monthly bulletin because I was myself thinking that we would be calling here and City Manager Davila replied that she could put that on the next gazette and if you have an emergency to report or a police report call 911 and Councilwoman Renteria added that if they need a police report they can come here and speak with Chief and City Manager Davila added that there was no access to reports on the weekend and Councilman Jordan stated so if somebody gets shot they have to wait until Monday and City Manager Davila replied that for that type of report you have to call 911 but what we are talking about is complaints and Officer Abrego added that complaints are like what happened today about animal cruelty that is not an emergency that is just a complaint and Councilman Jordan added that he was talking about an emergency and City Manager Davila replied that you have to call 911 and Councilman Renteria added that when you call 911 they will be dispatching the officer that is closest so that they know who to call and City Manager Davila added that it was for the safety of the officers and we can send them and they can get shot and they won't know where they are at and that is the reason I told the girls not to send them anymore you tell people to call 911 and maybe you are right we should put it on the gazette we can add a police bulletin from the Police Chief and have it every month. A motion to approve the submission of the Homeland Security Overtime Local Border Grant due March 28, 2019 was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

15. Discussion on the submission of the Criminal Justice Assistance (JAGS) Vehicle Grant that was due February 28, 2019 for two Police Vehicles in the amount of \$114,542.00. City Consultant Eddington told Council that this was the third one for the police vehicles and it is for \$114,542.00 and it is requesting two vehicles same off- road all-terrain vehicles and hopefully we will get Explorer's again but this grant submitted to the Governor's Office approves for certification and Ms. Davila certified it so now we are going to have to go and give a presentation at Middle Rio Grande and in the past Chief would do the presentation but now that he is a voting member he can't do the presentation and apparently because I got first last time Ms. Davila is going to go and explain why we need the two vehicles and explain what is in the grant and why we should be awarded this grant and Councilman Jordan stated if we are applying for 2 more vehicles and City Manager Davila added that it doesn't cost us any money we just have to do the grant and City Consultant Eddington added that we have 2 crown Victoria's that are both over 200,000 miles and those vehicles have served us well and we originally paid \$3,300 for each vehicle and we outfitted them for \$7,560 so those vehicles have served us well and the Durango we have had for about 5 years and City Manager Davila added that she believed that we got the Durango in 2014 and Officer Abrego stated that the Durango has over 130,000 miles so we are due for those vehicles and City Manager Davila added that the Durango has been a lemon so these vehicles are needed, Councilman Jordan stated that it would be about \$57,000 per car and that would include the lights and the radio.

16. Discussion on City Staff attendance at the 2019 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Projects Workshop on March 13, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon. City Manager Davila told Council the Meeting is tomorrow and if approved by Council the Mayor and herself would be attending and we weren't going to this with TxDot anymore because they suckered us out of a lot of money last time and Councilman Jordan asked if it was on the road and City Manager Davila replied that it was on the sidewalk project and for this one they called back and asked why we weren't going to apply because they are paying 100% on it so we wouldn't have to pay any money

out of pocket on it so it would have to be contiguous with the other one and we could probably add on to the sides that we already have and I am not sure what we will be doing until we bring it back to you and City Consultant Eddington added that it has to be safe routes to school, Councilman Aldaco stated if they would have a chance to decide within City Council what they would like to do and City Manager Davila replied yes but this is just to allow us to attend the meeting and City Consultant Eddington added that they all require a public meeting so other people can come in and voice their opinion.

17. Discussion on approving the submission of the 2019 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project. City Manager Davila told Council that this is for the submission of the grant itself only not where it is going because we don't know when it is due yet and City Consultant Eddington added that what we have learned is there are all these things that have to be approved and it is best to have the approval on it and City Manager Davila added that this is not making the decision of where it is going to be located just to submit the grant and City Consultant Eddington added that once we come up with where what and how much then we would bring it back but we would already have the approval because this is one step that we could miss and City Manager Davila added like the one that you are going to approve for Middle Rio Grande that we are going to submit tomorrow.

18. Discussion and Action on Approving the Date and Time of the Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project. City Manager Davila told Council that she would like to know if they would like to do this in May because I don't want to forget about it because every time I talk to the County Judge he brings it up that we never thanked him for it and I tell him that we thank him all the time but the County Judge wants us to acknowledge the Commissioner's as well and to recognize them for the \$62,000 that they gave us for the project and we have to do a cement plaque and all that also for the sidewalk and I wanted to bring it to you all so that we can start thinking of a date so possibly for the next meeting you all can tell us when you want it, Councilman Aldaco stated that he was wondering if it was a good idea for the traffic to get off on exit 38 because then we the people from Laredo are going to have to deal with that and Councilwoman Renteria added that it was probably better because last time I was coming from Laredo I saw somebody reverse and back up and City Manager Davila added that there are people that have fallen on that ditch and when they came and checked it out because they didn't believe us and that light is there because and Danny McGhee came in at 9 at night and I waited for him and while we were there with him 2 cars passed by there and there is no lighting and good thing was that the guy didn't fall in the ditch and that is why he put the light right of way. A motion to table the approval of the Date and Time of the Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

19. Discussion and Action approving the purchase of the cement for the sidewalks for Rosalie Welhausen City Park and setting a scheduled date for the project. Also asking for any community volunteers to help with this project. City Manager Davila told Council that we are asking the community, but we are also waiting on Mr. Weikel and we did put in an estimate that we got from Canales Concrete from Hebbronville and they are actually the cheapest and it is \$5,125 and they are

more expensive here then they are over there and here they give us 30 days to pay, Councilman Aldaco asked who was that and City Manager Davila replied that it was Canales Concrete from Hebbronville so Mr. Weikel is helping us with his cement guy but he has to come during the week and he hasn't had a chance to finish his project in Hebbronville and they are waiting to finish that project and come and we will help as a city but we are asking the community also. Councilwoman Renteria stated that there is community service but what about for people that owe trash and City Manager Davila replied that we always welcome those people and City Consultant Eddington stated to do community service to pay for their trash balance and Councilwoman Renteria stated again for the trash bill and City Manager Davila stated that would be something for Council to discuss and Councilwoman Renteria added that you know how people have a trash bill that is behind or past due maybe they could do community service there to pay that off like if the amounts are like \$2,000 and City Manager Davila added that would be something she could bring before them and Councilman Jordan stated that if he owed \$1,000 then you would have to do \$1,000 of work and Councilwoman Renteria added that because you are saying some people can turn on light or whatever and maybe they could do that and City Consultant Eddington added that we could figure out a prorated rate but it would be up to Council and Councilman Aldaco added that it was a good idea but I don't think people would go for it and City Manager Davila added that she would think that they would volunteer and Councilwoman Renteria stated that it would lower their trash bill and City Consultant Eddington added that it would be another option to have and City Manager Davila added that she could bring it back to them to decide and I do not a motion on the item and we will get this reimbursed from the Texas Parks and Wildlife and we already have the grant money there and it would be for the sidewalk. City Manager Davila told Councilman Jordan that Mr. Weikel's friend would be helping us and we are going to help out also and it will be just the sidewalk and the long part that leads to the walking trail and it is an L shaped area and Councilman Jordan asked if we were going to be doing all that and City Manager Davila replied that it wouldn't be just us and all our officers are volunteering and Councilwoman Renteria stated that is why I was saying about the people that owe on their trash and can't pay and City Manager Davila added that in order for us not to pay my staff doesn't have a choice they love to volunteer. A motion to approve the purchase of the cement for the sidewalks for Rosalie Welhausen City Park and setting a scheduled date for the project was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried.

20. Discussion and Action on adopting Ordinance No. 03122019-C. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF 3 TRACKS OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF ENCINAL AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBE BY MEET AND BOUNDS HERETO;

Exhibit A: Tax Suit: 11-01-00002-TXL LOT 2 BLOCK 3 OF THE BERRY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ENCINAL SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS. A motion to approve and accept the tract of land on Exhibit A: Tax Suit: 11-01-00002-TXL LOT 2 BLOCK 3 OF THE BERRY ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ENCINAL SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor so motion carried.

Exhibit B: Tax Suit: 13-10-00066-TXL LOT 8 OF ELLIS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ENCINAL TEXAS SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS. A motion to approve and accept the tract of land on Exhibit B Tax Suit: 13-10-00066-TXL LOT 8 OF ELLIS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF ENCINAL TEXAS SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried. City Manager Davila told Council

that we would only have to pay is the post judgment and Councilman Jordan stated that they would be the City's lots and City Manager Davila replied yes and we would also have to pay the attorney's fees and Councilwoman Renteria added that the officers would be using the corner lot.

Exhibit C: Tax Suit: 14-08-00055-TXL LOT 2, BLOCK 7, TOWN OF ENCINAL, TEXAS SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY, TEXAS. A motion to approve and accept the tract of land on Exhibit C Tax Suit: 14-08-00055-TXL LOT 2, BLOCK 7, TOWN OF ENCINAL, TEXAS SITUATED IN LA SALLE COUNTY, TEXAS was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. Councilman Aldaco asked if the one next to Ramona was fenced and the reply was yes, and City Manager Davila added that it is the house behind Mr. Mancha and across from the Valles property. A motion to approve adopting Ordinance No. 03122019-C. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF 3 TRACKS OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF ENCINAL AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBE BY MEET AND BOUNDS HERETO was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

21. Discussion and Action on approving Resolution No. 03122019-B. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE TEXAS COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION IN (LA SALLE) COUNTY, TEXAS. AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND); AND AUTHORIZING VELMA DAVILA (CITY MANAGER/ADMINISTRATOR) TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. City Consultant Eddington told Council that this is the street grant that he would be submitting and this is what we were talking about approving the taps grant which we would approve later but I need this one approved because I need to submit it the grant that I am working on now and this is the street program which includes Huisache Street, Las Palmas, Nueces, and North Nogalitos and those are the cross streets that are included and Councilman Jordan asked if Sunrise Street was on there and the reply was no and City Consultant Eddington added that it consist of a 10 block radius and you have 2 main street and 3 cross streets and there are 10 blocks within that section and City Manager Davila reminded Council that the amount of the grant was cut so it would start on Huisache and go all the way to Las Palmas so it is like a circle, Councilman Aldaco asked what they were talking about and City Manager Davila replied that this was the CDBG grant to pay the streets on this side of the City and this is the resolution for that grant and City Consultant Eddington told Council that we have already had the public hearings on it and Councilman Aldaco added if this was for the future and City Manager Davila replied that it was for right now we are going to submit it tomorrow and we have already had the public hearings for it and last year I didn't put the resolution on the agenda last year to be submitted for approval and Councilman Jordan stated that we had already agreed about the gravel and City Manager Davila replied yes everything was done and we had the public hearing, and a public meeting and Councilwoman Arizola was here because she attends all of them. Councilwoman Aldaco stated that his question was who decides which streets are going to be paved and City Manager Davila replied that they decide back then which streets we would be doing and this is what happened when you all decided the streets it was further down and included more streets but then the grant came back and instead of the grant being \$275,000 it was cut down to \$225,000 and Councilman Aldaco stated it was already decided and we just approved it in a sense so this is why I feel that we are being left out and I could be

wrong and City Manager Davila replied that she could bring him the City Council minutes and Councilman Aldaco stated that he could be wrong but I believe that the City Council is the one who should be deciding what streets should be paved and City Manager Davila replied that Council had already approved of the streets and we have had the public hearing and public meetings and I advise everybody about the public hearings and it is not my responsibility if you don't attend the public hearings but as a City Council member you should attend them and we as staff have to attend them and Councilman Aldaco stated that he doesn't remember missing a meeting but he could be wrong because people ask me who decides and City Manager Davila replied that Council decides and that is why I bring everything before Council and there are things on here that I don't even have to bring before you all but I still bring them and Councilman Aldaco stated that as far as he was concerned and City Manager Davila stated that if they remember the grant that Eagle Pass took away from under our belt and this is when you all approved those streets when they stole it from us because Eagle Pass wanted that grant and the County Judge was made and they took it from us and they didn't even care so that is when you all approved all this but then they came back and said that they felt bad so the Mayor from Eagle Pass told us this past year that he would be giving Encinal our part because they had already stolen it from under us and if you all remember that Asherton and us didn't qualify because we hadn't met a criteria so they took it from us so it is the same grant that you all had already approved so the pre-application was approved in November and then we had the public hearing to discuss the areas of interest for the grant and on October 25th we had a special meeting to award an RFQ for the engineering administration so this is where I feel very offended that you all say I don't bring anything to you all because I bring you all everything but if you all don't come to the meeting and you all don't remember I'm sorry and City Consultant Eddington added that was the public hearing that we held on the 28th and there is a list of people who attended and Councilwoman Arizola was there and Councilman Aldaco stated that he was not trying to offend anybody but that is the way I feel and City Manager Davila replied that he was because you say it during open session where you feel that we don't bring anything to you and here is the proof that I bring everything to you all and it is very offensive because it is in open record so I am defending myself to what you just said and Councilman Aldaco stated that he was sorry she felt that way but like I said I could be wrong and City Manager Davila replied that now you are saying that but you didn't say that at the beginning and it is very offensive and Councilman Aldaco stated that was what he was thinking and I am not backing off and I am not the type to back off and if I am wrong I will admit it but if I don't remember I have the right to question and City Manager Davila replied well there is the proof and exactly you have the right to question anything we do but it is offensive when you say that you feel we don't bring you anything and you keep us out of the loop because people ask and Councilman Jordan stated that he wasn't saying anything about that I just can't remember what roads and City Manager Davila replied that it was more roads that way but because we had done stuff on that side you all said lets do this side because we had already done Front Street so it is only fair that we do something on this side and we had actually considered asking if you all wanted to add to Front Street and fixing all that side one side at a time and then you all said we already did the Front street so lets bring it to this side and we went back and did a schematic of what areas of interest you wanted since Huisache was the last one that was left off then it ended up going that way and that is how it started and Councilman Aldaco stated this is the second project being done on this side and City Manager Davila replied that it was actually the third project because first they did this side first and when I wasn't here they did the Front Street and Mr. Aldaco they ridiculously

paid \$345,00 for that piece of road but anyway it was done and then we did Holcomb and Front street and people moved the barricades and ruined the streets right there because they didn't respect that they were fixing the road so they ruined it while we were building it and that is because we had barricades and we even stood out there as well and Councilwoman Renteria stated that it was supposed to be further out and City Manager Davila replied that the original amount was \$345,000 but when he decides now to give it to us it is \$225,000 so it was cut by at least \$100,00 and Councilwoman Renteria stated that she recalled discussing how the street in front of Olga's house would get real bad when it rained and City Manager Davila told Council that the reason the engineer only made it to Las Palmas was because he could only specify it up to that area and Councilman Jordan asked where is Las Palmas road is it where Bookout is at and City Manager Davila replied that it was Mr. Kennedy's street and City Consultant Eddington stated that is why the public hearings are so important for Council and we didn't have anybody from outside in the community and Councilman Aldaco asked if they could please check if he was absent for that public hearing and even if we had the public hearing still I feel that the City Council should have a say not the administration and City Manager Davila replied that they did have a say and you all are the ones that approved that and the public hearing is for the outside city or community can tell us well I don't agree with City Council I feel that you should do my street and that is what the public hearing is actually for because they are our constituents and they can come and tell you it is not fair that you want to do the front of your street as an example why don't you do the front of my street so that is where the community has a say so and City Consultant Eddington added that the State of Texas requires you to have answers for things like that and you actually have to submit those to the State if we had someone that came in and complained or wanted to do a different place and we would have to submit that to the State and City Manager Davila replied to answer your question you did have a say so because it is all in the City Council meetings and the agendas from last year and everything is state there that is why I put everything and Councilman Aldaco stated if it was a public hearing and City Manager Davila added that you don't have to have minutes for a public hearing even though we still do them and it doesn't need City Council approval afterwards and we do need an approval to have a public hearing but we don't need approval to what we are going to speak at the public hearing because people are speaking their mind and whatever they feel the community should be entitled to and that is what a public hearing is for and City Consultant Eddington added that he likes to make sure we have minutes because there are specific things that need to be said and we talk about housing and the program itself and how much it is and the things that we are doing and the location and all that should be in the minutes and that is very important because when the State of Texas looks at it and say you did talk and I am the one that sits here and goes through the grants and tell them what we are doing, Councilman Aldaco asked that if during the public hearings do we have a tablet where people come in and sign up and City Manager Davila replied yes it is on the last page that we just gave you and every time that we have a meeting or a public hearing it is posted in the front of City Hall or on our website and it is nothing that we do underhandedly and Councilwoman Renteria added that was not a City Council meeting where Council approves things and City Manager Davila replied no it was a public hearing and there is nothing to get approved we are just talking about and we just let the public know what we are going to do with this grant and in a public hearing they come in and sit down and we explain what the grant is about and if he has questions about the grant he can ask us what are you doing and where are you doing it and how are you going to pay for it before we have the public hearing we have

already approved everything through Council and then we come back and if in the public hearing they say we don't want it there then I put it on the agenda and let you all know that at this public hearing these people were against it but since we don't have anybody there was nobody to say anything so there is nothing to bring back to Council for the public hearing and this is for the grant if you all want the grant and if you don't approve it we don't submit the grant tomorrow and Councilman Jordan stated that he wanted the grant and Councilman Aldaco stated that it had nothing to do with not wanting the grant and City Manager Davila and the reason we brought it back was because I made a mistake and didn't put it last year and I did it I have a lot of things to do and I forgot and Councilman Aldaco stated like you say we are human and City Manager Davila replied yes I am human but I am not making an accusation and I'm sorry that you feel that way but I want to make sure and put it on record that there is nothing I don't bring to you and if I spend \$30,000 on a vehicle then I don't have to bring it to Council I am approved to be able to do that as the City Manager and whether I spend one hundred or one thousand dollars I still bring it before you and I want you all to know everything that we are doing and there are probably some things that are dumb on here but to me nothing is dumb and especially important things that you all need to approve so if there is something that I have done that is not approved here I would like for you to show me and I always put everything on here now as for my day to day work with my employees that is something that I do and that is my job title and that is something that I don't have to bring to you and ask you can I tell her that she cannot do this those are personnel matters and that is something that I am entitled to fix through the administration and if I feel something should go to Mayor then I will go to Mayor and then if it escalates then I will go to City Council and Councilman Aldaco stated that in other words I like to learn how it works so in other words whatever you might buy you don't have to come to us is that what you are saying and City Manager Davila replied if it is less than \$50,000 and it is in the general law code and I don't have to but I do and City Consultant Eddington added that what was approved by City Council in the policies and procedures give the City Administrator the authority to purchase or buy things within the budget itself and anything outside of the budget or anything that is a capital good she needs to come and get approval for that but you have already given her the authority just by the position of being the City Administrator and the second part of that is when you approve the budget on an annual basis you are giving her another assurance that she can spend the budget within the line items and Councilman Jordan stated that we have the right to ask and City Consultant Eddington stated yes they have the right to ask and as city government we bring these things to you all to pay the bills no matter how big or how small and everything that we apply for with grants that is not regulated by us it is regulated by the state so if you don't have these things in place they will not approve the grant and if we can't show proof that we had public hearings and we had posting they will not approve the grant so it is required and maybe you don't remember because of the time frame but that is why the State mandates that you have to have the meetings and Councilman Aldaco stated that he thinks what would help a lot and I had seen it before and I haven't seen it here where we would get a monthly magazine or whatever and one of the books where it states the laws of how the city works and we don't know and you all might know but we don't know and City Manager Davila replied that we had given them that book because we ordered it for you and Councilman Aldaco replied yes one magazine and City Manager Davila replied no that is a city government book and those are the rules for city government and I ordered and paid for them and Councilman Aldaco asked when was that more or less and City Manager Davila replied that it was about 4 or 5 months ago and Councilman Aldaco stated that he

wasn't sure if he had read the rules right about not being able to speak to a Councilmember outside of the city and City Manager Davila replied that is called a running quorum and you would have to go one and then another one and Councilman Aldaco stated if they had seen the newspaper about that law and it came out about 2 weeks ago it is not working anymore and City Manager Davila replied maybe they did away with it and City Manager Davila replied if you all want to do that and talk about stuff that is on the agenda that is up to you and if the Ranger comes and talks to one of you that is between you all and it has nothing to do with us and you all can do whatever you all want I just give you the advice of what city government is and if you want to follow the advice that is ok and if you don't want to follow it that is ok as well and I am trying to save you the way I save myself and its like if you call me and tell me to go and pick up somebody's thing because they called you and that is why we have a municipal court clerk, public works clerk and code enforcement clerk and that is why we have a police clerk and they are supposed to come to the city and they are not supposed to be calling city council and they need to learn that they must follow the rules and if they have a problem that they want to bring to city council that is what these meetings are for so they can tell you this is what is going on with the city and they are doing this wrong and that tells you that we aren't doing our jobs because all we here is they told me then who told you and I need I name so that I can tell you if it is wrong or right and if they call you and tell them we are not doing something maybe it is because they are not paying their trash or maybe because they want something for free and that is why I get upset when my girls get cussed at and I don't like that and it comes from people that don't do what they are supposed to through the law and I am not going to go to jail for anybody. A motion to approve Resolution No. 03122019-B. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE TEXAS COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION IN (LA SALLE) COUNTY, TEXAS. AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND); AND AUTHORIZING VELMA DAVILA (CITY MANAGER/ADMINISTRATOR) TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried.

22. Discussion and Action on approving Certification of Unopposed Status for Mayor and City Council Members. A motion to approve the Certification of Unopposed Status for Mayor and City Council Members. City Manager Davila told Council that the only one that we need to approve is the Certificate of Unopposed Candidates for other Political Subdivision announcing that everyone was unopposed and the only ones that didn't come in to file an application was Councilman Jordan or Councilwoman Maldonado so that leaves one seat open that will be available after May 4th and these unopposed candidates certificates cannot be given to any of the city councilmembers until after the May 4th election date so the week after the election date we have a meeting and after that you all will get the certificate that you were unopposed. A motion to approve Certification of Unopposed Status for Mayor and City Council Members was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

23. Discussion and Action on approving Ordinance No. 031222019. An Ordinance Declaring Unopposed Candidates for the Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large. City Manager Davila read the Ordinance to Council and it basically states that you will be cancelling the election for May 4th. A motion to approve the Ordinance No. 031222019. An Ordinance Declaring Unopposed

Candidates for the Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

24. Discussion and Action on approving the Cancelation of the City of Encinal Election scheduled for May 4, 2019. City Manager Davila told Council that the City of Encinal cancels the election to be held on May 4th 2019 in accordance to Section 2.053 A of the Texas Election Code and the following candidates have been certified and unopposed we have Sylvano Sanchez Mayor, Irma Arizola City Council, Roberto Aldaco City Council, and Brianda Renteria City Council. A motion to approve the Cancelation of the City of Encinal Election scheduled for May 4, 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

25. Discussion and Action on approving the canceling of the May 4, 2019 General Election for the City of Encinal due to the unopposed candidates for the Mayoral and City Council at – Large. City Manager Davila told Council that we would be cancelling the May 4th General Election for the City of Encinal due to the unopposed candidates and we have Sylvano Sanchez Mayor unopposed, Brianda Renteria City Council unopposed, Irma Arizola City Council unopposed, and Roberto Aldaco City Council unopposed and those are the ones that came and filled out the election packets and we have one from the Public and came and filled out a packet Sonny Aldaco so we have one vacant spot for the City Council. A motion to approve the canceling of the May 4, 2019 General Election for the City of Encinal due to the unopposed candidates for the Mayoral and City Council at – Large was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

26. Discussion and Action on February Food Bank set for March 21, 2019. City Manager Davila told Council that the food bank was cancelled last month not because of the City but because Food Bank had no food so when there is a shortage we don't have food bank and that is the only reason that it will be cancelled again if Linda can't place an order because there is a shortage of food and I did put that in the Gazette so that they can know. A motion to approve Food Bank set for March 21, 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

27. Discussion and Action on approving re-imbursement for training attended by City Manager. City Manager Davila told Council that she attended a mediation training and they teach you how to deal with difficult people and I actually had one recently where they came and complained about Chief Vallejo and how to deal with situations like that whenever we don't have our Attorney here I am able to mediate between both parties and if they have a complain I can see what the complaint is about and go back with the Chief and see how we can fix it and figure out what he did wrong and this class was for three days and there were attorneys there as well and the training was very informative and the training was in Houston and the training itself was paid for by the city and the only thing that I paid for was for the hotel and the food and we just wanted to bring it to you so that you all knew it had been reimbursed and Councilman Aldaco stated so you already attended the training and City Manager Davila replied and I attended this one because I didn't want to attend the one in Dallas because it was too far to go over there and I didn't want to fly and City Manager Davila added that our trainings are approved in our Policies and Procedures that we can attend trainings but I just wanted to bring it back and tell you why I thought this training was important because I am faced with a lot and I was challenged with a statute not too long ago while the Chief was on the phone because he was running a license plate and the radio from La Salle was down so it is important that in situations like that I answer in the right way and if I don't know how to respond and Councilman Jordan asked if she went to training for that and City Manager Davila replied that she went to training for example if one of my staff wants to file a grievance because they got fired I need to know how to deal with the grievance or how to deal with a complaint from any citizen or say our officers go and hit somebody or officers go and arrest someone unlawfully and I need to know how to deal with those situations and I am the HR person and if I make a

mistake it could cause a lawsuit for the city and I am the designated go to person and Councilman Jordan stated talking about the lawyer what is going on with him and City Manager Davila replied that we were going to try and go out for an attorney and Councilman Jordan added that we had given him 6 months and City Manager Davila replied that last month Mr. Caballero told us that he didn't think he would be returning so we are going to have to bring it back to Council and get an attorney and it is already getting to the end of the year or middle of the year so we do need an attorney but there are a lot of times that I need his advice and sometimes I do call him and he is not charging us but we need somebody here. Councilman Jordan asked what the amount was and City Manager Davila replied that the amount was \$487 and Councilman Jordan asked what that was for and City Manager Davila replied that it was for the hotel room because I hardly ate .A motion to approve re-imbursement for training attended by City Manager Velma Davila was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, 3 were in favor, and Councilman Aldaco abstained from voting so motion carried.

28. Discussion and Action on Emergency Management Director/Coordinator Notification

Appointments. City Manager Davila told Council that she really didn't want to do this because I have alot of things to do but Danny from EMS said I had to so I had to do training and I actually have all my trainings except for one that I can't pass and there are other trainings that I should have attended and there was one in Cotulla but it was for 5 days and there is no way that I can be gone for 5 days so I haven't been able to do that training and on this one for the emergency management it is if a disaster happens such as the one that happened with Lewis Energy and there was nothing like this in place and as a City I think we did a great job in coordinating people together and using the City Hall as a hub for the emergency management location and we had everyone here for that and especially with the flooding and I stayed here overnight and Linda stayed and we all took turns Ms. Arizola also when we had about 21 people here I think it was and we fed them and kept them here so when something like this happens Danny will be the first point of contact and it will be me afterwards but Mayor also has a say so if he feels something is a natural disaster or to declare it a disaster or not. City Consultant Eddington told Council that Mayor and himself were on the phone with Fernando Perez who is the Coordinator for Emergency Management and we have already adopted the emergency plans but by doing this it puts us in the position where we can also apply for grants for emergency things and one of the things we mentioned was an emergency generator that could be placed here in the city so having this coordinator designated we can go through the coordinator and with the coordinator that is also in La Salle County and we can apply for funds for reimbursement like when we had the shelter here and we could apply for funds for emergency things like rations, blankets and things like that and Councilman Jordan stated that he thought we had that already for emergency stuff and people come in and City Manager Davila replied that yes we do but we could apply for extra and that day we didn't have any beds and they were going to send us the beds and in Cotulla they got greedy and they didn't send the beds so people were sleeping in sleeping bags so we had to go and get sleeping bags and City Consultant Eddington added that having the coordinator he can draw from a pool of funds or a pool of goods and City Manager Davila added that the only reason they had gotten those beds was because she had called and I called the Laredo Sector and when you know the Fire Chief they help you and they were the ones that sent the 35 beds that day and Cotulla got greedy and said that they needed them over there and City Consultant Eddington added that we have emergency ballasts and I don't even know if that is what they are called but the ballasts continue a charge and they would stay dim and Councilman Jordan asked if we do have that here and City Consultant Eddington replied that no it would be an emergency charge that would go into the ballasts and it would last for a couple of hours. A motion to approve Emergency Management Director/Coordinator Notification Appointments was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried.

29. Discussion and Action on approving CDBG additional forms as required for submitting grants with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

City Consultant Eddington told Council that we had put this item on here just in case we were missing any for that we hadn't submitted but Middle Rio Grande which is our COG told us that we had submitted all the required forms for the grant. A motion to

table the approval of CDBG additional forms as required for submitting grants with the Texas Department of Agriculture was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

30. Discussion and Action on a Proclamation proclaiming the month of March 2019 to be Developmental Disabilities Month. City Manager Davila stated that it was very important and we see Mayor here everyday and he is our inspiration because he is disabled and yet he is here every day and he doesn't need to be here every day and that is a big inspiration for us and we want to thank you for always being there for all city employees and this declaration was proclaimed and approved by the Governor's office and City Manager Davila read the proclamation for Council. A motion to approve a Proclamation proclaiming the month of March 2019 to be Developmental Disabilities Month was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

31. Discussion on Bills paid for February & March. City Manager Davila told Council that the bills were in the back if anybody wants to see them, councilman Aldaco asked who had made a motion to approve the bills and City Manager Davila replied that whenever the bills are due the City Council meeting is afterwards so the light has to be paid and everything has to be paid that is why the bills are back there and they are all the ones that are posted in the budget and they are reoccurring bills and you have copies of them and we are actually out of 2 bills the Durango and Mayor has actually finished paying his truck and Councilman Aldaco stated who had made the motion on 31 and City Manager Davila replied that there was no motion on the item it was just a discussion and Councilman Aldaco stated no motion on bills wow and City Manager Davila replied they are already paid for Mr. Aldaco and you have the listing and the bills are back there for your review and Councilman Aldaco stated that he was abstaining on that (the bills paid for February and March) and City Manager Davila added that next month when the bills are due I am going to let them disconnect the light because I am not going to go thru this again and for your information all the bills are approved through the budget and they are reoccurring bills and if something was added we would bring it before council so that they can be approved.

32. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, April ____, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. A motion to have the next City of Encinal Regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 9th, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

33. ADJOURNMENT. A motion to adjourn the meting was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Jordan, all were in favor, so motion carried. The meting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes were approved by Council Member B. Renteria and a second
Motion was made by Council Member A. Arizola on this the 5th day of May
2019.

Velma Davila
Velma Davila, City Manager
Attest City Secretary



**CITY OF ENCINAL
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2019**

NOTICE is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, **May 14, 2019** at 6:00 PM at 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas, for considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

Accordingly, the Encinal City Council has rules of courtesy in place for all persons in attendance at its meetings. The Presiding Public Official shall at all times preserve order and decorum, prevent personal references to Council Members or the impugning of persons' motives. Citizens requesting to be heard shall sign in before the meeting is called to order and shall be called upon in the order that they signed in the Presiding Official shall use discretion in time allowed a citizen to be heard

The City of Encinal requires that testimony before the council be given under oath pursuant to Local Government Code 81.030. A person who make a false statement under oath is subject to prosecution under Section 37.02, Penal Code.

Meeting called to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call to establishing a quorum.
___ R. Aldaco ___ I. Arizola ___ C. Maldonado ___ B. Renteria ___ O. Jordan
3. Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated March 12, 2019.
4. Discussion on the Cancelling of Election Ordinance No. 03122019 for the May 4, 2019 Election Declaring Unopposed Candidates for Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.
5. Discussion and Action on Certification of Unopposed Candidates to be presented individually.
 - a. Mayor
 - b. City Council Members (Five At-Large)
6. Discussion and Action on Canvassing of Unopposed Election.
7. Discussion and Action on Certification of Election for Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.
8. Discussion and Action on Administration of Oath of Office for Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.
9. Discussion and Action to Adjourn.

New Business

1. Roll call to establishing a quorum.
___ R. Aldaco ___ I. Arizola ___ B. Renteria ___ S. Aldaco
2. Citizens Comments.

Members of the audience are invited to address the Council on any subject not on tonight's agenda. Speakers must come to the podium, state their name and city of residence for the Clerk's record, and limit their remarks to three minutes. As an unagendized item, no response is required from City staff or the Council and no action can be taken: ***Personal Attacks Will Not Be Allowed by Any Speaker.***

3. Discussion and Action to Nominate and Appoint Mayor Pro-Temp.

4. Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:
 - A. City Manager/ Consultant
 1. Discussion only Rosalie Welhausen Park
 2. Discussion only May Calendar.
 3. Discussion only May Gazette.
 4. Discussion only Cinco de Mayo dates of Events.
 - B. City Consultant
 1. Accounting Report
 - C. Police Chief. & Police Sergeant
 1. Youth Police Academy Report
 2. Bella's Safety Awareness Report
 3. Other Police Business
 - D. Municipal Court Report
5. Discussion and Action on authorizing the purchase and installation of the Tango Tango, Router and Antenna for the purpose of Police Communications and Safety.
6. Discussion on the results of the City Manager's presentation of the JAG vehicle grant for \$114,542 for the 2 police vehicles at Middle Rio Grande Development Council..
7. Discussion and Action on opening and accepting the award of the JAG Grant Bid for one vehicle in the amount of \$56,000.00
8. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with DPS General Store for Police Supplies.
9. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Auction for May 28th, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will begin at 6:00 p.m. The auction will be posted in the newspaper.
10. Discussion on approving the Date and Time of the Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing LaSalle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project.
11. Discussion and Action on approving the contractor (best value) for the City of Encinal monument to be located on the corner of the Highway 44 and Ih35 access road.
12. Discussion on thanking and recognizing the La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioner Jack Alba and the rest of the Commissioner's court for the approval of \$40,000 for the building of our Splash Pad at the City Park.
13. Discussion and Action on converting the Non-interest-bearing bank account no. 28991 at Stockmens Bank into and Interest-bearing account.
- 14.** Discussion and Action on approval of Non-Professional Contracts. *The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter Government Code.*
15. Discussion and Action on approval of Professional Contracts. *The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter Government Code.*
16. Discussion and Action on a Proclamation proclaiming the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
17. Discussion and Action on approving the Bills for May.

City of Encinal
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2019.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Mayor Sylvano Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sylvano Sanchez and City Council Members.
2. **Roll call to establishing a quorum.** Present were Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Oliver Jordan. Councilwoman Christina Maldonado was absent.
3. **Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting date March 12, 2019.** A motion to approve the minutes for Regular Meeting date March 12, 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried. Councilman Aldaco and Councilman Jordan asked if they were here for that meeting and City Manager Velma Davila replied that they were both present because we were trying to get the bid out and you weren't here the one before because you were sick.
4. **Discussion on the Cancelling of Election Ordinance No. 03122019 for the May 4, 2019 Election Declaring Unopposed Candidates for Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.** City Manager Davila told Council that she had put the item on there because on 03122019 we cancelled the election declaring an unopposed candidate we had Mayor and Five At-Large and we had 4 people fill out applications for City Council so that leaves us with one vacant spot and we have several interested candidates who want to be part of City Council and what we have been telling them is that whoever is interested after this meeting that they can come in and fill out the form that we have for City Council and then I can put it on the agenda so that you all can vote and select whoever you want to be part of City Council.
5. **Discussion and Action on Certification of Unopposed Candidates to be presented individually.**
 - a. **Mayor**
 - b. **City Council Members (Five at-Large)** City Manager Davila told Council that we had approved this at the last meeting and first we will approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates as a whole and then individually and I will begin with Mayor first, as the authority responsible for having the ballot prepared I certify that the following candidates is unopposed for the election to the office to the election scheduled to be held May 4, 2019 and the office that was vacant was the one for Mayor so Mayor Sylvano Sanchez remains as Mayor, the next one is Irma Arizola as the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared I certify that the following candidate is unopposed for the election to the office for the election scheduled to be held May 4, 2019 and the office for City Council and Irma Arizola was the candidate unopposed and next we have Mr. Roberto Aldaco as the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared I certify that the following candidate is unopposed for the election to the office for the election scheduled to be held May 4, 2019 and for City Council Mr. Roberto Aldaco and next we have Ms. Brianda Renteria as the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared I certify that the following candidate is unopposed for the election to the office for the election scheduled to be held May 4, 2019 and the office for City Council Brianda Renteria and we have a new City Councilmember that will be sworn in after this meeting as the authority for having the official ballot prepared I hereby certify that the following candidates as unopposed for the

election to be held on May 4, 2019 office City Council Member Mr. Sonny Aldaco so that leaves us with one vacant spot, we have Mayor Sylvano Sanchez, City Councilmembers Ms. Irma Arizola, Mr. Roberto Aldaco, Ms. Brianda Renteria, and Mr. Sonny Aldaco. A motion to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for Mayor Sylvano Sanchez and Councilmembers Ms. Irma Arizola, Mr. Roberto Aldaco, Ms. Brianda Renteria and Mr. Sonny Aldaco was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

6. **Discussion and Action on Canvassing of Unopposed Election.** City Consultant Ashley Eddington told Council that because we have an unopposed election, we don't have any counting so that is indeed the canvassing so there were no votes cast and they were all unopposed, so no action is needed.
7. **Discussion and Action on Certification of Election for Mayor and Five City Council Members At-Large.** City Consultant Eddington told Council that they each have a certification and the Certificate states in the name and by the authority of the State of Texas this is to certify that at a general election unopposed that was to be held on May 4, 2019 the individuals named were elected to City Council so each individual is elected unopposed and City Manager Davila explained that they are done by City Consultant Eddington because he is the canvassing authority. City Consultant Eddington presented the Certification of Election to Mayor Sylvano Sanchez and Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Sonny Aldaco. A motion to approve the Certification of Election for Mayor Sylvano Sanchez and City Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Sonny Aldaco was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Roberto Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.
8. **Discussion and Action on Administration of Oath of Office for Mayor and Five City Councilmembers At-Large.** City Manager Davila recognized and thanked County Judge Joel Rodriguez for taking time from his busy schedule to come and swear in everybody. La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez administered the Oath of Office for Mayor Sylvano Sanchez and City Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Sonny Aldaco. Mayor Sylvano Sanchez thanked La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez for administering the Oath of Office to him and City Council. Mayor Sylvano Sanchez presented the new City Councilmembers to the public and told them that they would be deciding on what happens in the City. A motion to approve the Administration of Oath of Office for Mayor and Five City Councilmembers At-Large was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.
9. **Discussion and Action to Adjourn.** City Manager Davila stated this would be to start the new business with the new Council. A motion to adjourn for 15 minutes was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

New Business

1. **Roll call to establishing a quorum.** A motion to return to open session was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. Council resumed open session at 6:51 p.m. Mayor Sanchez did a roll

call and determined that Councilmembers Roberto Aldaco, Irma Arizola, Brianda Renteria and Sonny Aldaco were present and the meeting could resume.

2. **Citizens Comments.** No Citizens Comments.
3. **Discussion and Action to Nominate and Appoint Mayor Pro-Temp.** Councilman Aldaco nominated Councilwoman Irma Arizola and City Manager Davila replied that it had to be somebody else because Ms. Arizola was already Mayor Pro-Temp and this is a new term, Mayor Sanchez suggested that Councilwoman Renteria be nominated but I can't vote on that. Councilman Roberto Aldaco nominated Brianda Renteria for Mayor Pro-Temp and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.
4. **Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:**
 - A. **City Manager/Consultant**
 1. **Discussion only Rosalie Welhausen Park.** City Manager Davila welcomed Councilman Sonny Aldaco and thanked him for placing an application for City Council and I would like to mention that Mr. Aldaco has not just recently become familiar with the City but Sonny has with his company and on his own donated for the past 3 years or more to a majority of our functions such as the Toys for Tots, the Cinco de Mayo, the School Supply drives and for the queens so I would like to thank him for that and this Cinco de Mayo he helped us out a lot and I wouldn't have known what to do without his help and he is the one who got the trailers for us and I would like to welcome him and I want to thank you Sonny for all that you do and not just because you are part of Council now but you started doing it before then and along with City Council I think you all will do a great job and we have two older and I don't mean to say that Mr. Aldaco and Ms. Arizola are old but you and Brianda are younger and you all will make it a great match in helping us out in working to make the community better so congratulations and Brianda congratulations for being Mayor Pro-Temp and Brianda has also been a part of the city for many years and Ms. Arizola did a great job as Mayor Pro-Temp and Mr. Aldaco before her and every year that we have had a new Mayor Pro-Temp you all have been great role models and great assets to our City so thank you very much. City Manager Davila told Council that she would be speaking later about the City park because we do have an agenda item for it.
 2. **Discussion only May Calendar.** City Manager Davila told Council that we have a lot of issues with stray dogs and everybody in the community believes we are responsible for all the stray dogs and yes maybe we can do what we can and we were going to have a meeting with the City of Cotulla and the County Judge made a great suggestion the other day about letting us use the old fire station because they are not using it and it is equipped with air conditioner, heater and it has water and we still have the cages and I think that possibly could be a good idea but I do want to discuss this with him a little bit more and then bring back everything to you and see what you all would like to do with it to see if you would like to do an interlocal agreement for that and we could try and get the dogs and put them in there and that would be a very good housing place because

the problem here is that at the animal shelter a lot of people call and say that we don't do anything about the dogs but when we did they still complained about the animal shelter even though they had a camera, they had water and food and the guys would go there all the time they still complained so either way people are never satisfied and it doesn't matter what we do and our Public Works guys have done a great job out there and yet we have people out there talking about our guys that they don't pick up the branches or that they don't pick up the leaves well we can't go into anyone's property and we did put it on our Gazette and we specified what they were supposed to do and City Consultant Eddington put on there that the Public Works guys would be picking up branches on the following days and to please place your bundles on the curb side and your brush bundles must be no longer than 8 feet and they must be tied up and if they are not 8 feet and tied up the Public Works guys will not pick them up and Council must understand that our guys are humans and they are not going to go and pick up a tree that is 10 or 20 feet long and today Josh picked up some bundles that he probably shouldn't have and he got bitten by a lot of ants because people think that we can go into their property and clean their yard and clean their house but that is not possible and Mr. Aldaco is out there cleaning and mowing and Tony is out there weed eating and Josh is picking up leaves and they are trying to do the best that they can and still it is not enough because I can honestly say that our city has not looked as good as it does now and it is clean and it is cut and I know that we have had a lot of water but they do the best that they can and they have to tackle multiple areas and there are 2 days that they do trash on Monday and Thursday and on Tuesday and Wednesday is when they cut grass, pick up branches, cut at the park and cut around city hall and anything else that needs to be done so I do want to thank the Public Works because they do a good job so what the guys do is take a list of everybody that calls and sometimes we feel bad because elderly people call and especially one today that everything was inside her property but we are not going to go inside their property so we did ask them to take it out and what happens is that the families don't do anything for their elderlies and that is not the city's fault and the reason I am telling you this is because when they are out there talking saying that we don't do anything well we are not going to go into somebody's property because it is against the law and we are not going to go against the city government law because if we go into somebody's property and something gets lost or the guys get hurt we can't be responsible for breaking of their windows or breaking their fences or anything there so just so you all know because people do talk. City Councilwoman Renteria stated going back to the stray dogs so the meeting on the 21st is not going to happen and City Manager Davila replied that they were still going to go and see what they tell us and we want to see what they offer because I like that better they would come and pick up the dogs and we will come back to Council with a price and we will have a meeting with them and we would have to do an interlocal agreement with them and if they come once a month and if they pick up 10 dogs and they charge us 15 to 20 dollars a dog and that is what they would have to approve if you all are okay with it and I think that would be cheaper then paying the Vet \$45.00 to euthanize the dogs because that is what the Vet will do and Clerk Vicky Rodriguez added that you have to call ahead and set an appointment because they only do them certain

dates and City Manager Davila added that Vicky does the Code Enforcement and that is what they have to do and the guys went and picked up 8 dogs and by the time they got to City hall the dogs got loose again and the guys got bit and Councilwoman Renteria asked who will be picking up the dogs and City Manager Davila replied that is what we will be discussing in the interlocal agreement and I will bring it back to Council next month and let you all know what they are offering and this is how much we have to pay but I think if we are already paying because people call a lot about the dogs but if they would stop feeding them and we can't go into people's yards. City Manager Davila told Council that we have our kids here and our firefighters and we really appreciate them being here and they are part of our youth academy and Sergeant Naff has done a good job putting this together because we wanted to do something for our kids from our community because there is nothing here for them and last week we had Border Patrol here and we haven't had our Constable yet but he is going to partner with us but our EMT's and firefighters are great and this is the second week that they are here and Lieutenant Wallace brings his crew over here and Officer Butterfield is part of the EMS and Fire as well and he works with us as well and I would like to thank them. Lieutenant Wallace told Council that today they went out with them and split them up into two small groups and we discussed emergency procedures for fire and EMS side and how we are called out and how we receive them and what we do from the moment we get into the vehicle and how we start calculating our plan based on what we receive from dispatch and we took them around the fire truck and showed them all the tools and all the fire truck is a big giant tool box and we have everything we need for an emergency situation there and while we discussed this with one group the other group went to the ambulance and the Paramedics/Firefighters and they explained what we have to do to take care of a patient by packaging them up and assessing what type of medical they would need and transport time to the hospital and preparing for the treatment they would receive and next time we will have more time for some hands on training and City Manager Davila added that every week they would be having 3 hours and after 14 weeks we will have a graduation for them and what they are going to do is learn every week is Fire and EMS and the Lieutenant had a great idea by separating them into two groups and we will also have our Police Department separating them into groups and speaking to them about different things not just about Fire and EMS and the Constable will be bring his dog also and we also have the Bella's Safety Awareness and bullying and that is a great problem in our schools and on snap chat and on social media and even though we have a small group of about 10 or 12 they enjoyed it and some of them were shy but they are going to get more comfortable. City Manager Davila asked the participants to stand up and state their names. City Manager Davila told Council that Bella is our Jr Miss Encinal and Bella's Safety Awareness was name after her because Bella was being bullied at school and she has come a long way since then she has done a great job and she sees things in a different perspective and now Bella is speaking to kids who are in 4th or 5th grade that are being bullied so she is being like a big sister to them and I am very proud of her and we want that from all of our kids to do that and stick up for them. City Manager Davila told Council that she had never seen some of these kids but that she was happy to see them and I know that some of them follow in little groups

and that is something that we discussed with Sergeant Naff about separating them from the groups that they have so that they can mingle with others and so that they can learn other things and hopefully Fire and EMS can pitch in some CPR and first aid so they will be learning a lot of different things and we are really happy about the program and I hope that they all enjoy it and they are not just going to be taught all this and one of our Officers is going to teach them Cross Fit and for the 3 hours they will be spent 30 minutes doing different things and they are really going to enjoy the program and next week we will have it on Thursday because they have something going on Tuesday and it does give them something to do. Sergeant Naff told Council that they would be building a community garden for the City of Encinal and City Manager Davila added that the Public Works guys have already started cleaning that property. Chief Vallejo added that maybe later we can have our own Farmer's Market. City Manager Davila stated that the kids would be going to the city park as well because Josh has already started sanding the benches for the park and then the other guys will stain them and we will have the kids out there also working on a Saturday and I will be speaking about the Splash Pad a little more later on but they are going to be involved in a lot of things that we are working on so that they can understand that it is not just about staying home playing video games but instead going out and doing something for the community so that later in life they can say that they help build that so that they can have a sense of accomplishment. City Manager Davila told Council that we would be taking the students to a field trip to Fiesta Texas, Sea World or Schlitterbahn just so that they can know that we appreciate them and that we can all have fun and that the Police can be their friends and they don't need to be afraid of them and our staff volunteers and we all do it because we love to do it and on the 16th we will finally be able to have food bank because Linda was finally able to order because for the past 3 months there has not been sufficient product to place an order.

3. Discussion only May Gazette.

- 4. Discussion only Cinco de Mayo dates of Events.** City Manager Davila told Council that our Cinco de Mayo had been a great success and after everything that we spent and after we paid for everything we ended up making \$2,750.00 that was deposited in the bank so whatever you all decided to use these monies for we can bring it back so that Council can decide and we could use it at the park and the other money that we have there will be for the memorial and it is on the agenda because we have been bringing that memorial back and forth for a while.

B. City Consultant

- 1. Accounting Report.** City Consultant Eddington told Council that if we do use the property for the animal shelter we are currently paying property taxes to Webb County because it does not have enough municipal use and once we do that and convert that area to Public Works so that they can work on the vehicles then we can forgo paying that tax. Councilwoman Renteria asked if we could store the impounded vehicles there and City Manager Davila replied that the Chief would be discussing that. City Consultant Eddington told Council that for the brush pick up that is from a grant from Middle Rio Grande so we will be purchasing a chipper and we will be chipping all those branches and brush and City Manager Davila added that we would continue picking up branches it

is just hard to do it all in one day and City Consultant Eddington added that our park grant has an ending date of July 2019 based on the status at the end of this month with the Splash Pad I might extend that another year and the reason for that is if you don't extend it early enough and you end up needing money at the very end you can't get those funds so if you extend you can continue to get those funds for another 12 months and it is not going to take 12 months to finish the park but I want to make sure we get all the money we deserve for the park and Councilwoman Renteria asked if the money was only for the Splash Pad and City Manager Davila replied that it was for everything and City Consultant Eddington added that the next application for that is in October and we have already reached the threshold to apply for that and as for the home program I don't know a lot about it yet because we were just presented with this by County Judge Rodriguez and for this particular program and this is a home buyer's assistance program and a tenant base rental assistance and what we are looking for is a program that will build homes instead of only getting money for down payment assistance and that is the program that they had in the past and I believe it was a USDA program and this one is a Texas Department of Community Affairs Program and there is another one that Mayor and I had discussed 4 or 5 months ago that is the one that will help you pay for your house so as I do more due diligence on this and get more information then we will present it to the Council so that you will know what we are in for in terms of getting monies and the way these programs works is the money comes into the city and the city qualifies the person based on the criteria and the city disperses the funds and City Manager Davila added that the County Judge stated that he would match the money that needed to be matched and this idea actually came from the County Judge and that is why we are bringing it to you because it was the homes that were built before and Councilwoman Renteria asked if it was the very first program and City Manager Davila replied that there was programs out there again and there are a lot of people that do need some homes and some of our elderlies are living really bad and City Consultant Eddington added that this program is not that type of program this program is for help with homeowner assistance and or rental assistance and City Manager Davila added that the other one the Judge is talking about is the one that they had here in the past and City Consultant Eddington added that he believed that was a USDA home program and City Manager Davila added that we would keep talking to the Judge about it because there is money out there, Councilman Aldaco asked if the City Council would be involved in this and City Manager Davila replied that for sure they would be involved and what we are going to do is and I know how the program was run back then and the way it was done well it should have been done a different way and Council should have been more involved and we would take the applications and bring them to Council and Council would review them in Executive Session and we would go over what everyone has and their needs are and we separate them in different categories who is more needy and who is in the middle and who is higher and that is how you go about and try and find out who most needs that program and they would have to meet certain criteria and back then seeing some of those most of them shouldn't have gotten those homes and that is what is very delicate about that and if you get audited they would go back and check that and that is why I stress that we are going to come back and let you know

about the animal shelter or if we need an interlocal or if we decide if the Judge tells us to do it here we will come back and see if you all want that and that is the way we always do it.

C. Police Chief & Police Sergeant

1. Youth Police Academy Report

2. Bella's Safety Awareness Report

- 3. Other Police Business.** Police Chief Vallejo told Council that Councilwoman Renteria had mentioned about the vehicles that are impounded and I had mentioned to City Manager Davila if we could fence the back portion of the City Hall so that we can put our impounded vehicles there and right now we are turning over all the vehicles to Orozco Towing so that we won't have this problem and I was thinking about an 8 or 9 foot fence with barb wire on top and City Councilwoman Renteria replied that it would be an eye sore right behind City Hall and Officer Butterfield added that the Towing company is getting that money instead of us and City Councilwoman Renteria replied what about the dog pound and Chief Vallejo replied that you don't want something that far from City Hall and City Manager Davila added that we don't have cameras at the dog pound and Chief Vallejo added that if something happens over there that is Webb County and City Manager Davila added that we do have the EEDC property that we could use also and Chief Vallejo added that he was trying to minimize the costs for the city and plus we have cameras here already and if you want to make it nicer you could put mesh on it and also cement as well to make it prettier and City Manager Davila added that City Consultant Eddington had thought about putting the "boot" on the vehicles so that they can't be removed from the area and Chief Vallejo added so if you have 10 vehicles you're going to have to buy 10 "boots" and City Manager Davila added that as a municipality we don't need to have it fenced in because he (Chief Vallejo) has his policies and procedures and they have called the DA's office 4 times and we do have the correct policies and procedures in place and we don't have to have it fenced but we want to take it a step further and Chief Vallejo added that we don't only want to take it a step further but the auctions help the department a lot and now we have lockers for our evidence and City Manager Davila added that he was able to purchase the evidence lockers and they were pretty expensive and when the guys come in the middle of the night and they have evidence like guns or marijuana or cocaine or anything they get to dump it in the locker and Chief Vallejo added that once they put the stuff in there they lock it and they can't access it anymore I am the only one with the key and what I would do in the morning is check out the evidence and I would transfer it from the locker to the evidence room, Councilman Roberto Aldaco asked if the city was responsible for anything lost from the cars or is the city responsible should something happen to one of the cars if we don't have a fence and Chief Vallejo replied that we could be and we had an incident where a vehicle was removed from the area and we reported it stolen and the gentleman came and he was going to pay for the impound and we could be held liable for the damages and that is why we write reports and that is why we have an impound form and Officer Butterfield added that we take pictures of every thing and Councilman Roberto Aldaco added that he would feel more comfortable if we had a fence around the impounds and City Manager Davila added that she could bring this

back as an agenda item and they can decide what type of fence or style and you all can decide then and Chief Vallejo added that a black mesh can be added to the fence so that you cannot see inside and you could add barbed wire, Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked if we made revenue with these vehicles and Chief Vallejo replied yes we do make revenue and City Manager Davila replied that the Police Department was able to purchase 3 more body vests for the officers.

D. *Municipal Court Report.* Municipal Court Judge Hector R. Cortez told Council that he would be covering the procedures in place for the Municipal Court and first of all the officer issues the citation and Linda the Municipal Court Clerk enters the citation into the system and when the officer issues the citation they have the person sign and there is a promise to appear in court on their court date and at court they can plead guilty or not guilty and if they plead not guilty we set up a trial date and there are people that opt to pay and they can pay here in person or through the mail or they can also pay over the phone with a credit card with Linda and she is the main clerk but the rest of the clerks are capable of taking payments as well so if after 30 days they don't show up to court then we issue the warrant and if they don't respond to that warrant after 60 days we send them to collections with the law firm of Linebarger Goggan & Blair and they do a great job for us their percentage of collection is very good so that is basically what happens when a citation is issued until the final steps and as far as much money as the Municipal Court can make for the city every year we make as much as the law will allow us and we cannot make any more money then what we already do and we have been doing that for 9 years.

5. *Discussion and Action on authorizing the purchase and installation of the Tango Tango, Router and Antenna for the purpose of Police Communications and Safety.* Chief Vallejo told Council that the Tango Tango is an app for cell phone use because our police department and our local fire and EMS are having problems with our hand held units and the only thing that works is in the car so if I am on a traffic stop if something happens to me there is no way to communicate with dispatch but with Tango Tango our cell phones become our new walkies instead of paying for a seven thousand dollar walkie from APEX and City Manager Davila added that it doesn't work and Lieutenant Wallace added that during the most recent storm it took out the tower that was closest to us and now we can't even call dispatch and the only apparatus that we can use is our mobile on the ambulance all of our other mobile radios are down and Chief Vallejo added that posed a danger to the officers because if they were engaged with a suspect and they couldn't communicate but now what Tango Tango does and Aransas Pass uses it and so does Houston and what our new cell phones do is and City Manager Davila added that they don't work and Chief Vallejo replied that they are not working right now because a tower is down in our area but the service for Tango Tango is that we have a base radio and we already asked how much it would cost to put an antenna out here and what they will do is install a router onto that radio and that router will shoot to all the cell phone antennas so all I have to do is press a key and I can communicate with dispatch so now I won't have to worry about not being able to communicate with dispatch and Tango Tango has GPS tracking and group messaging and group talking so if City Manager Davila wants to communicate with us she can go to the radio to radio channel and she can press one key and talk to 3 of us at the same time and we can communicate with them on one channel and if you want to communicate with dispatch you would press La Salle SO so now if I am off the car and something happens I would have this now because recently we had a situation where Sergeant Naff pulled a guy over and later to find out he had a

weapon in his vehicle and Dispatch was doing a status check on her and they had no response so they don't know what is happening and now we are thinking about our officers safety because we could be out there on a traffic stop and now with the Tango Tango we can have GPS coordinates of where the officers are, Mayor Sanchez asked if they have a body cam and Chief Vallejo responded that they do have body cams and we can also take pictures with them, Councilman Roberto Aldaco asked how much money are we talking about and Chief Vallejo replied that it would cost \$2,000 a year for 6 users and City Manager Davila added that the Chief would be writing a letter because our County Judge came to our office yesterday and we were telling him about this and he wants a letter from the Chief to see how much everything is going to cost and we are going to turn it over to him and he is going to put it on the Commissioner's Court agenda and he said he would pay for it but in the meantime we got the phones and the phones will be paid for but he is going to give us the money for that and they are not expensive they were \$169.00 each and two of them were \$449.00 because we didn't have any upgrades and we needed to get a new number because we needed two and today we spoke to a guy that used to work with Middle Rio Grande and he doesn't work with them anymore because I was called on Thursday and they had no service and I was not happy because Officer Abrego is out there by himself and our radios go into trunking system and that is a big safety issue and to answer your question Mr. Roberto Aldaco the Tango Tango system costs \$2,482.00 and that is for 6 users and the phones themselves were a total of \$1,400.00 and the tower will be another \$3,000.00 but honestly you can't put a price on an officers life because I have been around when they have been in danger and as an example today Chief went to do a wellness check and he is inside and he has no way of communicating with dispatch and I know that the County Judge will help us, Councilman Roberto Aldaco stated that if it was going to cost a million dollars and City Manager Davila replied no that was for a repeater and that is something that La Salle County Fire Chief Mendez has been trying to get for the County and if we did have a repeater we would not be having these issues and if Middle Rio Grande would invest some money in this area for communications that would help out a lot but they don't and it is a danger even for them, Officer Butterfield added that right now if he were to get in a fight then I would have to tell them to wait and contact Dispatch and wait another 15 minutes for someone to respond, Lieutenant Wallace added that you have to see it from a law enforcement side and what if it was one of your kids think about it like that you cannot put a price on the life and what if it is your kid that is in trouble in an emergency situation can you put a price on that and if your answer is no why not invest some money so that your community can be safer and City Manager Davila added that on another agenda item that we will have an auction at the end of the month and we usually use that money for police stuff and Chief, Abrego and Silva got bullet proof vests and those vests are \$1,800.00 each and those are equipped to protect them and Nardis is very good about giving us a payment plan and I paid those 3 off first because it was more than the money that we had made at the auction and now Naff, Butterfield and Ruiz went to get some because if that guy would have shot Naff that day when she stopped him and Ruiz wouldn't have gotten there she would have been dead or she would have shot him dead and Naff had no way of communicating and City Consultant Eddington added that money from the auction is not included in the budget and those are excess funds that we can use, Councilman Roberto Aldaco added that anything that we approve for the Police Department I am for it and City Manager Davila added that we did do our due diligence and we spoke to several police departments that were in dead areas and were using these and the guy from Aransas Pass told us if he wanted us to go over there he would come over and I did tell the Chief that we should take a

drive over there and see how they work because they did tell us that it was the best thing that they could have done for the safety of their officers and Chief Vallejo added that was only one channel which is the La Salle SO and it is a good tool and maybe later on the County Judge will let Fire & EMS join us in the Tango Tango system and City Manager Davila added that what the County Judge liked was our concern for the safety of our officers and he said he was all for it for us to put it in writing and send it to him and Chief Vallejo added that his department has come pretty far because we used to do reports by hand and now we have a system for that and City Manager Davila added that Council had approved that last year, City Consultant Eddington added that those same reports are used to apply for the Governor's grants and City Manager Davila added that we have received 3 overtime grants and Chief Vallejo added that he can also use the system to do his UCR report, Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked besides the phones is there other equipment that you have to buy for the Tango Tango and City Manager Davila added that the Tango Tango comes with the software and we are going to need the tower from RZ communications and they already came and took pictures but we are just waiting on their quote and Councilman Sonny Aldaco added that they are only lacking the antenna. City Consultant Eddington told Council that we have received our estimated Taxable Property Values for 2019 and we have gone up to 25 million and we were at 19 million. A motion to authorize the purchase and installation of the Tango Tango, Router and Antenna for the purpose of Police Communications and Safety was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

6. Discussion on the results of the City Manager's presentation of the JAG vehicle grant for \$114,542 for the 2 police vehicles at Middle Rio Grande Development Council. City Manager Davila told Council that there was a presentation and since Chief serves on the Council he can't score his own presentation and City Consultant Eddington couldn't attend so I went and there were 12 people that I was competing against and they were all men and I went and City Consultant Eddington helped me write it but I didn't use it and I received first place and we got two cars awarded and we were the only department that got the whole \$114,000 for two vehicles and the rest of the people didn't get anything and City Consultant Eddington added that the last grant we turned in to Middle Rio Grande we were number one and as a team with the Solid Waste Grants and the Vehicles we have been number one or two in the state and Chief Vallejo told Council that somebody from Carrizo told him that we were the number one city for getting grants, City Manager Davila added that when it comes down to it we always work as a team that includes the girls, the City Consultant, the Police Department and City Council because we work hard everyday and we are a team here and there is no "I" on our team, but we are getting two more vehicles on top of the one that you are going to open the bid for so our officers have the explorer and these two that are coming and the money should be available within the next couple of months so we should have a total of 4 brand new units. This was a discussion item only.

7. Discussion and action on opening and accepting the award of the JAG Grant Bid for one vehicle in the amount of \$56,000.00. City Manager Davila told Council that she would be letting our new Mayor Pro Temp Brianda Renteria do the honors of opening the bid and I do want to let you know that we could have had the new vehicle already but we didn't have a meeting two months ago so its ok if we open it we can call them tomorrow and we only got one bid and it was put on the paper. City Consultant Eddington told Councilman Sonny Aldaco that we had received approval for this grant 8 to 10 months ago but it was held up because of a court case and City Manager Davila

added that there was a court case in Chicago where they were fighting for money and they barely released the funds about 3 months ago and the bid is from Red McCombs and it is in the amount of \$56,000 even and that will include everything that it needs because they do have to meet the specs and they had to meet the specs for the radio because when we went to this presentation from this last grant and I'm glad I pay attention because they asked us why don't we take the radios from the other unit that we want to retire and put them in the new unit but we can't because now the Governor's office require a certain radio and it has different specs and different things that you need because the trunking system and everything has to be different and City Consultant Eddington added that it was the SWIC approval through DPS who works with the Governor's office. City Manager Davila told Council that a motion was needed to accept the award of the bid so that we can go ahead and order it. A motion to accept the award of the JAG Grant Bid for one vehicle in the amount of \$56,000.00 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

8. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with DPS General Store for Police Supplies. Sergeant Valerie Naff told Council that for our evidence we use the DPS Crime Lab and in February 2019 they standardized all the testing and now we have to use the DPS kits for blood alcohol for gunshot residue and we do have to use their equipment and they can only be gotten at the DPS store in Austin and we have to have an agreement with them and their prizes are cheaper than anywhere else and City Manager Davila added that DPS has been very helpful our Sergeant JD Rodriguez has been helping us out with that. City Manager Davila told Council that action was needed on this item to approve the interlocal agreement with DPS so that our Police Department can order the supplies in order for them to be able to process DWI's and Sergeant Naff added that it was not only that but also gunshot residue and other forensic kits that we have to use the DPS packaging or they won't accept them at the crime lab and we won't be able to proceed with the charges and City Manager Davila added that the person that could have shot her or who she could have shot was a DWI and Sergeant Naff added that if they refuse to do a testing we do a blood work and take their blood and I have done that twice in the last month and Sergeant Rodriguez gave me the test kit otherwise I wouldn't have been able to do it. A motion to approve the Police Department to enter into an Interlocal cooperation Contract with DPS General Store for Police Supplies was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

9. Discussion and Action on approving the Police Department Auction for May 28, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will be at 6:00 p.m. The auction will be posted in the newspaper. A Motion to approve the Police Department Auction for May 28, 2019, viewing will be at 5:00 p.m. and Auction will be at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

10. Discussion on approving the Date and Time of the Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project. City Manager Davila told Mayor Sanchez if we could table this item because County Judge Rodriguez told her that he would be contacting TxDot for a groundbreaking on the access road and we could do those things together. A motion to table the Date and Time of Ribbon Cutting for the 2018 Transportation Alternative Safe Routes to School Call for Project and Recognizing La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioners for their contribution to this project was made by Councilman

Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

11. Discussion and Action on approving the contractor (best value) for the City of Encinal monument to be located on the corner of Highway 44 and Ih35 access road. City Manager Davila told Council that the lowest bid we could get for the monument was \$7,181.30 and that is for the monument and if you all recall we had \$4,700 from last year's Cinco de Mayo that we can use and the rest could possibly be contributed by EEDC because we have delayed this too long already and if you all approve it so they can go ahead and start and she told Councilman Sonny Aldaco that the monument would be located in front of Family Dollar and City Consultant Eddington told Council that the slab for the monument was donated by Mr. Gunn and the group G2K that built Family Dollar. A motion to approve the contractor (best value) for the City of Encinal monument to be located on the corner of Highway 44 and Ih35 access road was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

12. Discussion on thanking and recognizing the La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez and County Commissioner Jack Alba and the rest of Commissioner's Court for the approval of \$40,000 for the building of our Splash Pad at the City Park. City Manager Davila told Council that we would build the Splash pad and the basketball court but first I wanted to let you all know that AEP went down on the price of the lights so instead of a 3 phase we can do a single phase so that is going to cost us like \$7,000 and it was going to be \$15,000 and Ms. Sullivan had already told us she would pay half of that so as soon as they give us the quote for that I will bring it back to Council so that you all know how much it is and we will talk to Ms. Sullivan to see if she is still going to help out and it is her property and if we go half and half we will pay like \$3,100 each and this would be for the lights. City Consultant Eddington told Council that our grant for the park is a reimbursable grant so once we build the Splash pad we will be able to be reimbursed for the state up to \$29,000 and that will give us money to continue to develop the park so not only will we build the splash pad but the basketball court as well and the basketball court is not included in the first phase of the grant but he gave us a really great price on the basketball court so we can go ahead and add it and as an add on when I do the next grant I can put that on there as a reimbursable and maybe we will get it and maybe we won't because we will have to put in for the baseball diamond and the lights and this is money that we can continue to keep in the bank to develop our park because these funds were not necessarily restricted but I think that we are going to contain it to the park and City Manager Davila told Council that in their packets they have the pictures of the splash pad and the basketball court is right behind it so we thought it would be a great idea since we got this \$40,000 to go ahead and start the Splash Pad and the basketball court since he won't charge us double and when City Consultant Eddington sends in for the reimbursement they will send the money back and Mr. Cantu said that we could pay him however we could and he is the owner of Aqua Design pools and he is going to work with us on the payment if we don't have it and City Consultant Eddington added that he hadn't told them that when they build the Splash Pad they have to put in cement foundation so he said he could go ahead and pour our sidewalks and he wants to know if we would like to add a colored texture to the sidewalks, Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked what else would be at the park other than the Splash Pad and the basketball court and City Manager Davila replied that we already have the playground and we have the walking trail and that is already done we only need to pour the cement on part of the walking trail and the sidewalk that leads to where the playground and Splash Pad is and the Splash Pad will have a little fence around it and Councilman Aldaco asked if we would have a baseball diamond and City Manager Davila replied yes that we would have a baseball field and we will be working on that little by little and we are hoping that we can come together as a community in the meantime and there are places that give things when you are building something and they donate lights like they donated the lights here and Councilman Sonny Aldaco stated that his question was going towards that and if that was going to be enough for the single phase with the electricity going in there and City Manager Davila replied yes she thought it would be okay and we could

probably add another phase and it wouldn't be that costly but at the beginning we could do a single phase and the pump will not take a lot of juice and Councilman Sonny Aldaco stated that he was talking about later on if we wouldn't have to pay an extra amount and City Manager Davila added that the lights for the field will be expensive and City Consultant Eddington added that applying for the second part of the grant we could do that the lights and the electrical phase and City Manager Davila added that we couldn't do that for this grant but we are going to add it to the next one and we need to finish the money by July so what we are going to do with him is tell him to bill us so that we can pay him and we can ask for the reimbursement right away, Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked if the powerline would be going through the top or underground and City Consultant Eddington stated that he was going to give us two different options one going through the Enterprise property and one going through Welhausen Boulevard and he said if they put it underground it would add another 5 or 6 thousand dollars and he had a problem with the poles and I explained to him that was our easement and if you have to go over on one side we can get permission from the owner so we can have the poles straight so they will be giving us two different estimates and City Manager Davila added that Councilman Aldaco wants to know how much will it be if we do another phase and City Consultant Eddington added that he hadn't given him that estimate and that the question was whether it was going to be underground or above and City Manager Davila added that if we went with the 3 phase it was going to cost \$15,800 and Councilman Sonny Aldaco added that if we approve the single phase then we don't have to upgrade it and City Manager Davila added that later on we will have to upgrade it when we put the baseball diamond probably in a year or so and City Consultant Eddington added that the property belongs to Mrs. Sullivan so it will benefit her to pay an additional amount and she wanted to have a 3 phase with a 2nd phase instead of the city paying for it and City Manager Davila added that she believes that for the park a single phase is ok even if we add the lights to the baseball park. This was a non-action item.

13. Discussion and Action on converting the Non-interest-bearing bank account no. 28991 at Stockmen's Bank into an Interest-bearing account. City Consultant Eddington told Council that they had approved the opening of an account to put grant funds in it and have an account for additional special funds and the bank did not specifically request for the minutes to state that it was going to be an interest bearing account so they put it in as a default and I called the bank and told them that we needed to be earning interest on the account and the only thing they needed from us was updated minutes from City Council and we will present these minutes and she will press a button and change it to an interest bearing account. A motion to approve converting the Non-interest-bearing bank account no. 28991 at Stockmen's Bank into an Interest-bearing account was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

14. Discussion and Action on approval of Non-Professional Contracts. City Manager Davila told Council if they would be ok in moving these to October because it would be better for the fiscal year instead of having them in May so we wanted to see if you would vote to continue the employee and contractor contract for the original terms which would be adjusted on October 1, 2019 for salary, contract pay and benefits approved and adopted by the fiscal year budget for the 2019-20 and any other budget term and any other term during the contract period and City Consultant Eddington added that this would be for items 14 and 15 so basically we have contracts that end in May which doesn't end on our fiscal year so we want to extend the contracts and the original terms and just make adjustments to the amounts as people get raises or benefits or things like that and that would be for employees and contractors like myself and the Judge and City Manager Davila added that we usually bring them in May but it is a hassle and it is not fair to them not to have a contract and then in May they get their raise so their contracts have to be specified to where it says if they get a raise in October then you have to abide by what your contract is already done so we wanted to see if you all wanted to do that and if that was ok and I didn't do them and I didn't bring them in today because I wanted to bring them to you all first and City Consultant Eddington added that basically you are approving the amounts of pay when we approve the budget so this is just a better way to do the budgeting so we don't have to have a half year a certain amount and then we would have to bring them back in October. A motion to approve the

contracts between employees and contractors until October 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried. City Manager Davila told Council that when we bring the contracts back Ms. Arizola does not vote for Linda, Sonny doesn't vote for Vicky and Brianda doesn't vote for Damiana and that just means that you don't vote for your spouse, or your sister or your daughter so everybody else can vote and that doesn't mean that they are not going to get a contract just that they have to abstain so that it can be legal.

15. Discussion and Action on approval of Professional Contracts. A motion to approve the contracts between employees and contractors until October 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.


16. Discussion and Action on a Proclamation proclaiming the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. City Manager Davila told Council that she had forgot to mention it, but this week is Law Enforcement week. City Manager Davila told Council that this item was for last month but I still wanted to bring it up and Severita Sanchez from the Child Advocacy and she is really involved and on April 24th they had their conference and it went really well and it was her intention to come to the City Council meeting. This was a discussion item only.


17. Discussion and Action on approving the Bills for May. City Manager Davila told Council that the bills have not been paid and if anyone wants to see the hard copies we have those also and Linda pays the ones for CP&L and the AT&T ones because those are the light and phone ones and she usually pays those on Thursday or Friday afternoon. A motion to approve the bills for May was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, majority was in favor, so motion carried. Councilman Roberto Aldaco abstained from voting on the item.

18. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, June __, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. A motion to have the next City of Encinal Regular meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilman Roberto Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

19. Adjournment. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. The Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Minutes were approved by Council Member Brianda Renteria and a second
Motion was made by Council Member Irma Arizola on this the 9th day of ^{July} ~~June~~
2019.


Velma Davila, City Manager
Attest City Secretary



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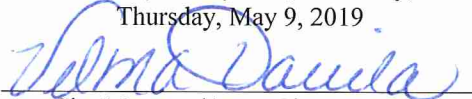
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Thursday, May 9, 2019



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CITY OF ENCINAL
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Special Meeting
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given of a Special Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM at 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas, for considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

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Meeting called to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call to establishing a quorum.
___ R. Aldaco ___ I. Arizola ___ S. Aldaco ___ B. Renteria
3. Citizens Comments.

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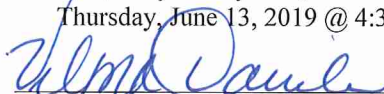
4. Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated May 14, 2019.
5. Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:
 - A. City Manager/ Consultant
 1. Discussion only Rosalie Welhausen Park Program.
 2. Discussion only June Calendar.
 3. Discussion only June Gazette.
 - B. City Consultant
 1. Accounting Report
 - C. Police Chief.
6. Discussion of the Fourth of July Celebration set for July 2, 2019 from 6p.m. to 12 midnight. Commissioned and paid for by LaSalle County for Pct. 2 with the help of the City of Encinal.
7. Discussion of moving dirt from the City right-of-way.
8. Discussion on City of Encinal Monument.
9. Discussion and Action on meeting with City of Cotulla regarding agreement for Cotulla to do Animal Control and allowing City Staff to negotiate fees.

10. Discussion and Action on approving leasing the property located on Martinena Road to Vitruvian Exploration and having City Council approve a reasonable amount.
11. Discussion and Action on approving City Manager Velma Davila and city staff members to travel to Washington D.C. to visit with Congressman Henry Cuellar They would like to visit with him about and discuss EDA primarily having to do with infrastructure, discuss any grants available through HUD for community development, discuss any funding available through the Federal Highway Commission, discuss items having to do with EPA such as water monitoring and control and specifically a discussion of fracking water and drilling waste, also a discussion on US Marshall services pertaining to Detainee Contracts. Please advise as to when Congressman Cuellar will be available so that we may plan our trip to Washington. This approval includes permission to Velma Davila and city staff members to expend city funds from the appropriate city budget line items previously approved and specifically approved for this trip for travel, meals and hotel. The city council also recognizes and approves the trip is directly tied to city business and the acquiring of knowledge, materials and contacts to help the city in all municipal capacities. Velma Davila and staff members are approved to receive reimbursement for any amount expended that are directly associated with the trip.
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Regular Meeting
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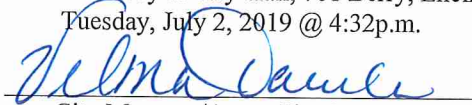
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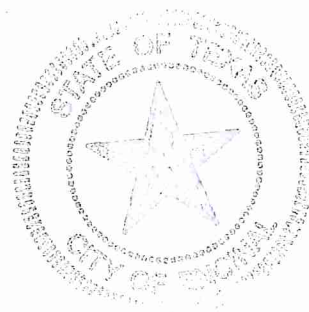
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18. **ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council reserves the right to consider business out of the posted order and the right to adjourn into executive session to discuss items which are not listed as executive session items, but which qualify to be discussed in closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Entrance and parking spaces for disabled persons are available in front of City Hall. Requests for accommodations or interpretative services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Manager's Office for concerns or requests @ (956) 948-5226.

Certification

I, the undersigned City Manager/Attest City Secretary, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas on
Tuesday, July 2, 2019 @ 4:32p.m.


City Manager/Attest City Secretary



***City of Encinal
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2019***

1. ***Pledge of Allegiance.*** Mayor Sylvano Sanchez called the Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sanchez and City Council.
2. ***Roll call to establishing a quorum.*** Present were councilmembers Irma Arizola, Sonny Aldaco, and Brianda Renteria, Councilman Roberto Aldaco was absent, after roll call Mayor Sanchez determined there was a quorum present and the meeting could proceed.
3. ***Citizens Comments.*** No Citizens Comments.
4. ***Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting date May 14, 2019.*** A motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.
5. ***Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:***
 - A. ***City Manager/Consultant***
 1. ***Discussion only on Rosalie Welhausen Park Program.*** City Consultant Ashley Eddington told Council that City Manager Velma Davila would not be present today and he would be covering some of her items. City Consultant Eddington told Council that the reason that we have the June items on here is because this meeting was scheduled to be held in June and we didn't update the July information. City Consultant Eddington added that he wanted to point out a couple of items, first the yard of the month and EEDC did approve to pay the prizes for a 3-month period for the yards of the month. City Consultant Eddington told Council that they had received a bid for the splash pad and the basketball court and the individuals that received the bid came back to us with an updated bid which was ridiculous and just too much money and we requested that they come over here and talk to us about their specific plans and we will be doing that sometime next month and because that was not ready I extended the grant for another 12 months and it was going to end in July and the extension was put forth and approved by the state so we have another 12 months to finish the park but we are going to move forward right now and get the splash pad and the basketball court done. City Consultant Eddington told Council that if they can see the screen that has been mounted in the back it is a project that we have partnered with Middle Rio Grande and the Texas Workforce Commission and

people can come in and have interviews, and view jobs and job placements every Tuesday at 10 o'clock and this will be an ongoing contract with Middle Rio Grande for the first 4 months and we received \$500 from them for training and for having people available but then thereafter we won't have any more compensation, Councilwoman Renteria asked if they provided all that and City Consultant Eddington replied that if anything goes wrong with the equipment per the contract they will come in and fix it and the only thing that we didn't secure is if something were to happen to the wall but I am sure that is something that can be taken care of by them or by us, Councilwoman Renteria asked if any people have come and Clerk Vicky Rodriguez replied no and we were going to advertise it last month in the bills but they never got the flyer to us so we want to put it in the bills for this month and they call in at ten on Tuesday's and City Consultant Eddington added that we could also post it on our website but of course if you want to tell people that they can come in here and apply for jobs you can and that way they don't have to go all the way to Laredo or Cotulla, Mayor Sanchez told Council that the system has a camera, Clerk Vicky Rodriguez added that it also has audio and whatever you say here they can listen to you over there.

2. Discussion only June Calendar.

3. Discussion only June Gazette.

B. City Consultant

- 1. Accounting Report.** City Consultant Eddington told Council that earlier we had an EEDC meeting and normally when we get new City Councilmembers we give them an opportunity to select or reselect the EEDC Board Members and we asked the members present and they all want to continue to be part of the EEDC so next month I will put it on the agenda for the members that want to continue in EEDC and then within EEDC they will select their officers and two people were absent, Oliver Jordan and Joe Garcia so we will speak to them individually and ask if they would like to continue being board members for EEDC and next month I will make the recommendation to City Council. Mayor Sanchez asked when we would be have the budget workshops and City Consultant Eddington replied that the Budget Workshops will start in August and we would normally start them in July but we had some other things going on so we will start those in August and before we did 3 budget workshops and we found out that was too many and we used to have one in July, one in August, and one in September and by the time we got to the one in September everybody had forgotten what we had in July so we will have one at the end of August and two in September and we will have one in September that will be the adoption of the rate for the taxes and the next one will be the approval so the one that we do in August will be big it will cover revenue, expenses, and special projects. City Consultant Eddington told Council that he would be installing the new QuickBooks for 2019 some time

this month and we have received the new program we just need to set it up because we don't want to put it on the old computer because it is a Windows 7 and we do have a new computer that we will put it on and that should happen some time at the end of the month. City Consultant Eddington told Council that for the audit information we wanted to wait until we had our Council together before we presented the 16 and 17 audit and hopefully we can present the 16 audit in the August meeting and follow-up in September or October with the 17 audit.

C. Police Chief. Chief Roy Vallejo apologized to Council for being late and stated that they should be installing the antenna for the Tango Tango and our reports are all up to date and we did renew our overtime grant and it is for \$16,000 and we are still working on our Border Star Grant and I believe it will be \$45,000, the police vehicle was totaled in the rain and we did have an adjustor come and check it and they will let us know if it will be a total loss or if it is still repairable, City Consultant Eddington added that the gentleman stated that it was worth \$40,000 but we are still waiting for the final determination but we have to compare that to the damage and TML hasn't gotten back to us yet, Chief Vallejo stated that the vehicle was being taken to San Antonio to get serviced when the accident happened. Councilwoman Renteria asked if the vehicle was going to be replaced and City Consultant Eddington replied that it depends on the adjustor and the grant and we have to adhere to what the grant requires and I think if the insurance is able to pay for it then it will be repaired and if it is going to be totaled and they want to issue us a check it might be restrictive that we have to buy a vehicle during a certain amount of time to replace and were just not at that bridge yet, Councilwoman Renteria asked if they would replace just the vehicle or all the equipment as well and City Consultant Eddington replied that they would replace the equipment also and that \$40,000 the gentleman stated said it would include the equipment.

- 6. Discussion on the Fourth of July Celebration set for July 2, 2019 from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight. Commissioned and paid for by La Salle County for Pct. 2 with the help of the City of Encinal.** City Consultant Eddington stated that he didn't go but asked if anybody had attended, Councilwoman Renteria stated that she had only attended the fireworks but that Commissioner Alba had stated that it was packed for it being a Tuesday, City Consultant Eddington asked how long the fireworks had lasted and Councilwoman Renteria stated that they lasted about 10 minutes, City Consultant Eddington asked if they had a band also and Mayor Sanchez replied that they had 3 bands.
- 7. Discussion of moving dirt from the City right-of-way.** City Consultant Eddington stated that there are some places through out the city where the county has left dirt on the streets and right of ways and it is a combination of the county and the water and construction putting in the new lines and I believe that the dirt the county left the people had an opportunity to take it to their homes or wherever they wanted unfortunately a lot of people have not so what we were talking about is putting it in the

Gazette or posting something that they can go and get that dirt and give them a certain amount of time and if they don't pick it up then our guys will just move it and get it out of the right of way and I don't know where we are going to put it other than the new city park and we are definitely are not going to put it on our EEDC lot and we are not going to put it at our animal shelter so the park would probably be the best place. Clerk Vicky Rodriguez told Council that when they first started building the park and they were digging out the dirt they started to go and drop it off in people's houses but the people are taking forever to spread it out in their yards and it is still sitting on the street and there is grass growing over it already and City Consultant Eddington added that maybe we could post something at the post office and get a quick response from it because we need to get the dirt out of the way, there was a suggestion made of posting it in the Gazette because they are always putting negative things when items are posted at the Post Office so City Consultant Eddington added that we could post it here and then on the Gazette as well and we can put it on the website as well and if they don't move it we will have the guys take it to the new park.

8. ***Discussion on City of Encinal Monument.*** City Consultant Eddington told Council that they had put out a bid for the city monument to be completed and you all approved and awarded the contract to Octavio Garza, Jr. so he has now signed his agreement and you have a copy of the agreement there and it says specifically what he is supposed to do according to the RFQ that was sent out and we have an advance of \$1,200 that we will be giving him and he has all the documentation which includes the permit and we did require him to get a permit and register and he signed a conflict of interest.
9. ***Discussion and Action on meeting with City of Cotulla regarding agreement for Cotulla to do Animal Control and allowing City Staff to negotiate fees.*** City Consultant Eddington told Council that Mayor, himself, and City Manager Davila spoke to Cotulla City Manager Larry Dovalina and the City of Cotulla because we have this problem with the dogs picking them up and finding out what we are going to do with them and we are not able to do that at our animal shelter because we are not licensed anymore so Mr. Dovalina had some suggestions and first idea was for us to have a free spade and neuter clinic where we allow individuals who live here in the city to get their pets spayed or neutered and get their collars according to our ordinances and the city will pay a minimum amount to the Vet for that so that the Vet can come down and do that or we can give them a voucher and they can get it done in Laredo, the next idea he gave us was to provide notices to the Citizens regarding the ordinance that we have already passed and we have passed a nuisance and an animal ordinance which requires them to have a collar and it requires them to be restrained in everyone's yard so we are going to send something through the Gazette so we can start enforcement so we want to give them notice that we are not going to pick up their pets tomorrow but you need to get the collars and get them restrained into your yards and then he said that we should start issuing citations for the ordinance if people don't have their animals locked up or they don't have collars which means they don't have vaccinations we must give them a code

compliance ticket and the 4th step would be to pick up the dogs and take them to the vet and the vet will do the euthanasian, Councilwoman Renteria added that the city would be paying for it and City Consultant Eddington replied that the city would pay for it and we could charge people if we know they have pets but its very hard to prove and he added that they have a very big problem in Cotulla also, Councilwoman Renteria asked if for the first option the spaying and neutering was the city going to pay for that also and City Consultant Eddington replied that the city could pay for a portion of it and the individual would pay a portion as well and City Manager Dovalina stated that they had paid for 100 of those, Councilwoman Renteria asked if the vet would do that here and City Consultant Eddington replied that they did it in Cotulla so I am sure they could do it here and I don't know how many we would pay for here at the City of Encinal or if people would even bring them, Clerk Ramirez stated that she believed it was more important to get them vaccinated and Officer Butterfield stated that in Zapata they have a mobile one that goes from city to city, Councilwoman Renteria added that the last time we were picking up the strays people were claiming them and City Consultant Eddington added that was the purpose of giving them notice and you have this much time to do it in and you give them the voucher and after that the animal is going to be picked up and Councilwoman Renteria added that she didn't believe that the voucher of them taking them to Laredo would work because I don't think they would go because they don't have a way to take them. City Consultant Eddington told Council for the action on this item is if we get Cotulla to help us with this project we need action to approve the fees that they are going to charge and it says that we are going to negotiate those fees but that is the action part of this, Mayor Sanchez added that he thought they said they didn't have anyone to come and collect the dogs and City Consultant Eddington replied that if we do use their animal control we have to negotiate the fees, Councilwoman Renteria added that we could have our own and City Consultant Eddington added that the action here is to allow the staff to negotiate the fees. A motion to approve the staff to negotiate the fees with the City of Cotulla regrading animal control was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

- 10. Discussion and Action on approving leasing the property located on Martinena Road to Vitruvian Exploration and having City Council approve a reasonable amount.** City Consultant Eddington told Council that they have the lease agreement before them and we were supposed to bring this to the meeting we were having in June when we were negotiating this and they wanted to get their vehicles moved and we went ahead and entered into this agreement and basically they are parking their trucks at the old animal shelter and they are going to fix the fence and they have already cut all the vegetation along the side of the fence and they will be adding some caliche as needed and they will be taking care of the property and we will still have access to the property although it will be limited and they will be taking care of the property and the lease agreement is for \$500 a month and it is a month to month agreement so at anytime with a 30 day

notice they can vacate or we can ask them to leave, Councilwoman Renteria stated so that idea about having the impounded cars over there and Mayor Sanchez replied it's out, Officer Butterfield stated that wasn't a good idea and Chief Vallejo stated that they should be located here at the city hall, Councilwoman Renteria added that she wanted to discuss having it over there and Chief Vallejo added that the property is located in Webb County and Councilwoman Renteria stated that they had told her that they were going to put it on the agenda, City Consultant Eddington replied that is all she had put on there but can we have the impound in Webb County and Chief Vallejo replied that it is the city's property but if something were to happen there we would have to contact the Sheriff's office in Webb County and City Consultant Eddington added that this is a month to month lease and it can be terminated with a thirty day notice, Councilwoman Renteria stated oh well the lease is already approved, City Consultant Eddington stated that it is a month to month lease so we can always go back and renegotiate it and it can always be terminated. Mayor Sanchez requested a motion on the item. City Consultant Eddington told Council that they could make a motion to accept but also to look into the question of Webb County and you can add to that motion if you like and Councilwoman Renteria I don't know if you would like to do that and add to the motion to conditionally accept it while getting information from Webb County to see if we can have the impound there because you did make the suggestion, Councilwoman Renteria asked if the \$500 for the lease went to the City and City Consultant Eddington replied that we were going to use that for Public Works in repairs for the vehicles and they do understand that if we need the property we can get out of this lease. A motion to approve the leasing of the property located on Martinena Road to Vitruvian Exploration with the condition of getting information regarding having the police impound located in Webb County was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried. Councilwoman Renteria requested that the question about having the Police Impound at the animal shelter be placed on the next agenda.

- 11. Discussion and Action on approving City Manager Velma Davila and city staff members to travel to Washington D. C. to visit with Congressman Henry Cuellar. They would like to visit with him about and discuss EDA primarily having to do with infrastructure, discuss any grants available through HUD for a community development, discuss any funding available through the Federal Highway Commission, discuss items having to do with EPA such as water monitoring and control and specifically a discussion of fracking water and drilling waste, also a discussion on US Marshall services pertaining to Detainee Contracts. Please advise as to when Congressman Cuellar will be available so that we may plan our trip to Washington. This approval includes permission to Velma Davila and city staff members to expend city funds from the appropriate city budget line items previously approved and specifically approved for this trip for travel, meals and hotel. The city council also recognizes and approves the trip is directly tied to city business and the acquiring of***

knowledge, materials and contacts to help the city in all municipal capacities. Velma Davila and staff members are approved to receive reimbursement for any amount expended that are directly associated with the trip. City Consultant Eddington told Council why do we have this long big verbiage because it helps protect the City, the City Manager and it protects the Staff so that they can expend the funds for the trip because this is an item that if it is not specifically approved can really cause problems in general when you approve the budget you approve the budget line items and the City Administrator/City Manager is able to expend those funds according to the budget so this just gives them additional cover and gives the city additional cover that we are paying for a trip that is specifically beneficial to the City not the benefit of the individual. A motion to approve item 11 and all that it states was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

12. Discussion and Action on adopting a Taser Usage Policy for the Encinal Police

Department. Chief Vallejo told Council that the Police Department already has a policy for Taser Usage in place and only officers that have taken the class are allowed to use the tasers and taser usage is a less lethal use of force instead of using our guns and a taser comes in handy especially for a female officer if she is trying to bring down a big guy like me and the taser would be a great tool for the department and I am looking to buy just one taser and at least one will be out on the field at all times. Mayor Sanchez asked how much it would cost and City Consultant Eddington replied that was the next item, Chief Vallejo replied that a used one costs \$599 and Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked how much does a new one cost and Chief Vallejo responded about a grand and they come with everything and with different prongs and the range in feet could be 12, 15, or 30 feet and you don't want to be too close when you are firing the taser and there are different types of tasers and some even have cameras it just depends on what you want, Councilwoman Renteria added that the more stuff you add the more expensive they get, Chief Vallejo added that every time you shoot a taser a little confetti comes out and that is what you need to keep for your report and one of those confetti's have a digital number on them and that is what you put on the report, Councilwoman Renteria asked what the number on the confetti was for and Chief Vallejo replied that it was a serial number that belongs to that taser, City Consultant Eddington told Council that the manual had already been approved and Chief Vallejo added that we already have the taser policy we just don't have a taser, Councilman Sonny Aldaco stated that the policy is in place you just don't have a taser to go with it. City Consultant Eddington state that we already have something that has been approved and Chief Vallejo added that the Police Manual had already been approved by Council, City Consultant Eddington added that if it has already been approved then we don't have to approve it unless you all want to. A motion to approve the Taser Usage Policy for the Encinal Police Department was made by Councilman Sonny Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

13. Discussion and Action on approving the purchase of a Taser for the Encinal Police

Department. Councilman Sonny Aldaco asked Chief Vallejo asked if he honestly wanted a refurbished taser and Chief Vallejo replied that he didn't want the City to spend that much money and just like when I bought the body cameras I bought the cheapest ones but they turned out to be the best ones, City Consultant Eddington added if he wanted to approve the purchase for a new one, Councilman Sonny Aldaco stated that he would like to know how much a new one would cost, Councilwoman Renteria asked if there were any grants for the tasers so that you could get more than one and Chief Vallejo replied that he hasn't found any grants for taser since they are actually not mandated by TCOLE it is just an extra tool or weapon for an officer, City consultant Eddington told Councilman Sonny Aldaco that the agenda item is to approve the purchase of a taser so if you want to add to the item either new or refurbished, Chief Vallejo told Council that he could get some prices for them on new taser and Councilman Sonny Aldaco told him that he has a problem with purchasing refurbished electronics especially if you are going to be using it to save your life and I know it might be costlier and Councilwoman Renteria added that some time cheap things are the ones that cost you the most, City Consultant Eddington asked if they wanted to add to the item or table it and Councilman Sonny Aldaco suggested that the item be tabled until we get prices on the new models. Councilman Sonny Aldaco tabled the motion for the approval of a purchase of a Taser for the Encinal Police Department and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

14. Discussion and Action on approving the acceptance of the Resignation of City Council

Member Roberto Aldaco. City Consultant Eddington told Council that anytime a City Council Member resigns the City Council must approve the resignation. A motion to approve the Resignation of City Councilmember Roberto Aldaco was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

15. Discussion and Action on nominating and voting for new City Council Member's for the open seats. The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

A motion to retire into closed session was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried. Mayor Sanchez and City Council retired into Closed Session at 6:47 p.m. A motion to resume open session was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried. The meeting returned to Open Session at 7:16 p.m. Councilwoman Arizola made a motion to accept the nomination of Debra Weikel for a place on the City Council and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. City Consultant Eddington stated for the record that all 3 Councilmembers had approved the nomination. Councilwoman Renteria made a motion to bring in the other

candidates and have them speak a little before Council in our next meeting and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Sonny Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

16. Discussion and Action on approving the Bills for June. A motion to approve the Bills for June was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

17. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be on Tuesday, July _____, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m. A motion to approve the next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal Texas at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor so motion carried.

18. Adjournment. A motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilwoman Arizola and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Minutes were approved by Council Member Brianda Renteria and a second Motion was made by Council Member Irma Arizola on this the 13th day of August 2019.



Velma Davila

Velma Davila, City Manager

Attest City Secretary



CITY OF ENCINAL
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 13, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, August 1, 2019 at 6:30 PM at 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas, for considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

Accordingly, the Encinal City Council has rules of courtesy in place for all persons in attendance at its meetings. The Presiding Public Official shall at all times preserve order and decorum, prevent personal references to Council Members or the impugning of persons' motives. Citizens requesting to be heard shall sign in before the meeting is called to order and shall be called upon in the order that they signed in the Presiding Official shall use discretion in time allowed a citizen to be heard

The City of Encinal requires that testimony before the council be given under oath pursuant to Local Government Code 81.030. A person who make a false statement under oath is subject to prosecution under Section 37.02, Penal Code.

Meeting called to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call to establishing a quorum.
___ D. Weikel ___ I. Arizola ___ S. Aldaco ___ B. Renteria
3. Citizens Comments.

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7. Discussion and Action on allowing the Public Work's Department Workers to pick up stray dogs and take them to Dr. Leyendecker and City be responsible for the fee charged to accept dogs.
8. Discussion and Action on creating Work Sessions meeting agendas, dates and times, these meetings will be used to inform council members of complex issues and solutions.

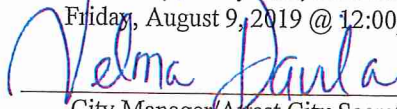
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12. Discussion and Action on Police Department Impound location to be moved to the property adjacent to the old city hall.
13. Discussion and Action on approving AEP Texas Electric Rate Case Denial Resolution.
14. Discussion and Action on approving date and time of 1st City of Encinal Budget Workshop.
15. Discussion and Action on approving the Bills for August 2019.
16. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. __, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council reserves the right to consider business out of the posted order and the right to adjourn into executive session to discuss items which are not listed as executive session items, but which qualify to be discussed in closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Entrance and parking spaces for disabled persons are available in front of City Hall. Requests for accommodations or interpretative services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Manager's Office for concerns or requests @ (956) 948-5226.

Certification

I, the undersigned City Manager/Attest City Secretary, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas on Friday, August 9, 2019 @ 12:00p.m.



City Manager/Attest City Secretary



City of Encinal
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2019

1. **Pledge of Allegiance.** The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Mayor Sylvano Sanchez. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sanchez and City Council members.
2. **Roll call to establishing a quorum.** Present were Council Members Debra Weikel, Irma Arizola, Sonny Aldaco and Brianda Renteria.
3. **Citizens Comments.** Mayor Sanchez stated that he had a problem and addressed Chief Vallejo and City Manager Davila and he said he saw 7 tickets here today at the stop sign and I don't know what we have to do but we have to do something because I saw 7 tickets there and we are lacking money here at city hall and they are griping that we don't have money but there is money there and I get upset because people start griping that we ain't got money but there is money there and Councilman Aldaco added that if he is talking about them rolling the stop sign and Mayor Sanchez replied that they roll and pass the stop sign and I seen two trailers and Councilman Aldaco added that he agreed with him on that and Mayor Sanchez added that he saw the two trailers run the stop sign and that is pathetic and Citizen Frank Weikel asked if we had anybody to watch the stop sign and Mayor Sanchez replied that we could have somebody to watch it and Citizen Frank Weikel suggested that somebody park close by and watch them and maybe they will stop, Councilman Aldaco asked how many deputies are on during the day and how many are there at night and Mayor Sanchez replied that one during the day and sometimes two, City Consultant Ashley Eddington told Council that since this portion is for citizens comments would Councilman Aldaco like to take his 3 minutes to speak during this time. Councilman Aldaco stated that he would like to go back and rephrase his question I would like to know the schedule of the police officers because yes because besides him (Mayor Sanchez) seeing what he sees I have also seen that plenty of times and there are vehicles parked out there and there could be some stopped because they had a problem and even though they had an issue that could still be a citation that could be towards the police department and towards Encinal because there are a lot of people rolling past that stop sign and it is not even a stop it is more like a yield and my concern is that I would like to see somebody out there giving citations because honestly sometimes I'm afraid I'm going to get hit and when I am about to take off I see somebody always crossing. Councilwoman Renteria stated that you can't tell a Chief or a deputy to do this to get this or you have to do this in order for money to come in you can't do that.
4. **Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated July 9, 2019.** A motion to approve the minutes for Regular Meeting dated July 9, 2019 was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried. Councilwoman Debra Weikel abstained from voting on this item.
5. **Presentation by United States Census Bureau personnel on the upcoming 2020 census.** David Gomez the Partnership Specialist for the United States Census Bureau stated that as you know in 2020 the census will be taking place and we are going to make every effort to get as accurate count as possible and one of the strategies for the rural communities is a Complete Count Committee and what we do in the Complete Count Committee I would meet with you monthly or with local members of the community to provide you with updates on the census and some of the strategies we can take and to keep you updated of what the census is doing in your area

because we will have census employees working in your area and the reason I am here is because I have been meeting with the Mayor and he feels we should have a committee so that we can get a complete count of your area and I will be doing a quick presentation of what the committee consists of, so the training would be for about 3 hours and I have given you all packets of what the training consists of so that if you want to review it later you can and something that we do to want to make sure is that we get an accurate count as possible and in the Encinal area only about 73% of the people respond to the census so that means that you are all missing about 25% of the population here and in the census tract since Encinal is so small you all only come out as in La Salle County and or as being part of La Salle County you all don't have a map assigned to your area so that is why I am offering for you to have the opportunity to be part of the Complete Count Committee formed because in the census national map with all the committees in the area and you all would come out in that map as well and in larger areas the committee consists of the media, government, business, education and faith based communities and all those different organizations come together to tell us what they can do to give out census information and as you all know the census is about 10 questions long and we come to your house and we ask you certain questions and this time around they changed the format of the census so now for a good portion of it you will not see anybody from the census at your house asking you to fill it out what government and I are relying on is that you will respond to the census on your own and the issue with that is that in areas like here where they might not be the greatest internet connectivity people are not aware of the census so we are going to lose a lot more people than 25% and that is why I want to start this committee where we can spread this information by word of mouth and you all can use your contacts that you know along with the school district and the local businesses here and a flyer might do more good here than sending out a Facebook message and why do we do the census well the census is required by law to be done every 10 years and if people don't respond to the census it states in the constitution that they can be fined now even though that is what it states the census has never fined anyone we just have it on there because it is part of the law and we are not a law enforcement agency and we have never fined anyone in the history of the census but it is important to have it on there so people can know how important it is for them to respond to the census and one of the things I get told a lot in the small cities is why am I going to respond to the census or why am I going to vote if Texas is Republican and there is no way my vote can change anything or vice versa they are Republican and they will say I don't need to vote because Texas is already Republican and this is where the census comes into play and in 2010 Texas grew so much that there were 4 additional seats created for the House of Representatives and that gives people in your area a larger voice and states like New York are losing seats and they have a much larger population than smaller areas so Texas is gaining so much population that it is gaining seats and this is why it is important to get accurate counts it affects funding for our area and this is the one that actually affects us for every person that we count about \$1,578.00 over the 10 years spread out so for one person that we miss it is \$1,578.00 per year and say we miss 10 people per year that would make it \$15,000 that we lost and if we miss 100 people over the ten year period we would lose potentially lose 1.5 million dollars in funding for your area and these dollars go to programs like SNAP, Medicaid, WIC, Transportation, Infrastructure, Education so that is why it is important to get as accurate a count as possible because even though we will estimate how many people are in your area we know that it is never as accurate

as we want it to be and Laredo for example has a population of 265 thousand people and in reality we know there is a lot more people in Laredo using those resources people that don't even live in Laredo and they are coming from across and using the resources here and I am sure that in Encinal you all have a bigger population then what the census has given you credit for especially if people don't respond and the difference between the 2010 census and the 2020 census is that they now want the community to respond on their own by telephone or online and why is this a problem well because the elderly are not going to get on the computer and log in to the computer and fill out the census form people might not have access to internet or they might not have access to electricity or they just don't want to deal with the hassle of going online to fill the census form and the census form is only about 10 questions and it should take about 10 minutes but the hassle now is that people have to go and respond on their own and if people do not respond they will also receive a paper form in the mail that they can then fill out on their own and they have to send it back and even like that we are not going to go and sit with them and make sure that they do it we will just drop off the form and they have to send it on their own and now they are putting more pressure on the person to fill out the form and take it to the post office and for the latter part of the census when the census opens up next year we will be sending people out to the areas if there are a larger amount of people that haven't responded so we will have the census takers in the field a month or so there is a good chance that we are going to miss people in your area and we are trying to avoid that as much as possible and the census opens in March 2020 thru July 1st of 2020 to respond to the census after July 1st 2020 nobody will be able to respond and if you are not counted you will not be counted for the next 10 years or so and one of the things that we like to stress also is that the census is confidential due to the political climate right now we have seen that a lot of people do not want to respond to the census and when they see somebody coming to their door with the US census logo and a federal badge they just don't open the door and that is the issue that we have been seeing when we do the pre-survey so some of the information that we try to pass on is that the census is confidential we will not share this information with anyone and anyone that is a census employee must take an oath for life that they will not disclose any census information to any law enforcement agency and we will not share any information with ICE and we will not share information with customs or border patrol, FBI or CIA we will not share any information with them we do take information from them to make sure that where we send employees is in a safe area your information as a group area will be released but your personal information will not be released it will actually be released in 73 years and that is the statute that we have and the reason it is 73 is because that is the life expectancy of people another way that the census can help you and for example if you are an undocumented citizen and you pay taxes and you have a job here and you don't have any issues with the law you can apply for a citizenship as a legal alien with proof of how long you have lived here and how can I have proof that I have lived here without any problems because your undocumented well the census has that information and if you have lived here for 30 years with no arrests or no tickets or issues and the census has this information that we do not share with anyone unless you call us with your lawyer and ask us to release this information and it can benefit people we don't share this information again this is strictly confidential if I were to go to somebody's house and this person is undocumented and I share that with customs then I am liable for 5 years in jail and a \$250,000 fine and there is little to no incentive for me to report one person and the committee I am trying to create here is

important because the people here know you and people come to you with their concerns and they come to you with their questions and they trust you and this is where I can give you this information and it is going to be coming from a trusted source and I want you all to know that when I am up there at the regional office in Dallas I make sure that the information I am sharing with you is as accurate as possible because it is your voice and your face on the line spreading census information for us so I want to make sure the information is as accurate as possible and like I said it is completely confidential and right now we are in the awareness phase and the education phase was just sending out general census information as of April 2019 we are in the awareness phase that is where I am out in the communities giving out census information the motivation phase starts in March until May of 2020 and that is when we will be doing commercials, newspaper ads and we will be doing radio ads and at the end of July that is the reminder phase so that is when we will actually start sending census employees house to house dropping of the census forms first and later on if we see that it is necessary somebody actually helping them fill out the census and I can't guarantee that everybody is going to get help filling out the census and after July of 2020 we will just give out thank you information to our partners and the public. City Manager Davila asked Mr. Gomez what happens if the people don't fill it out and it is to the city's benefit that everybody get counted so that we can pick up our population so would it be feasible for city employees to help in the census going house by house and we have done it before and we have a binder of information that we did sort of like a census and Councilwoman Renteria was part of that collaboration and Mr. Gomez asked if they had done a mock census and City Manager Davila replied yes and Mr. Gomez stated that for the official census we don't let other employees go house to house filling out the census because the census employees are held to a higher standard of confidentiality then a regular volunteer would so if somebody is going to fill out the form for us it has to be a census employee now if you all want to go house to house and hand out a flyer that lets them know that there is a computer here or a phone where you all can come out and fill out your census form you all can do that but actually filling out the form for them it has to be a census employee and City Manager Davila asked if they made sure that everybody turns in a census form and that is why our population is so low and it hurts us and Mr. Gomez replied that he wants to say they do but they hire somebody for your area and I don't know exactly how many people they will hire enumerators and they are supposed to make sure that everybody is filling out the census but it won't be as many people counted as should be and City Consultant Eddington and you were saying that people can respond by internet, by telephone or by mail and can they come here if we have a computer set up and Mr. Gomez replied yes they can and what the CCC will do is we will come together once a month and I will bring you updates, materials, flyers and you all can pass them out and we can work together to set up a kiosk where the main page can be the census page and somebody can come in here log in the census page and then they just fill out their census form and that is some of the things that we can do and we can also set up the school to be a census area and City Manager added that we can have a computer here also and maybe one at the library also and Mr. Gomez added that is what the committee will do and you all give me the information and I will see how we can put it in place and to make sure the connection is secure and things like that and we also want to make sure we are doing something, City Manager Davila asked if we could help them on the computer and Councilwoman Renteria added if that would be the same thing as filling out the form for them

and Mr. Gomez replied that you could help them with logging in but you can't help them answer the questions so if you want to turn on the computer for them and take them to the website you could and City Manager Davila replied that we have some Spanish speaking only and Mr. Gomez replied that the form is in Spanish and English and if they call they can do it in Spanish as well and they can talk to them in Spanish and City Manager Davila asked how long would it take on the phone and Mr. Gomez replied that the theme that they had was 10 questions in 10 minutes, Clerk Ramirez asked what about the people that can't read or write and Mr. Gomez replied that they had a special operation for that type of population but if we have 5 or 10 people like that I can go out there or send somebody out there and we can get somebody that is designated to do that and they can fill out the form for them especially if it is a smaller population and City Manager Davila added that what if we have a special event going on could you all set up a table and have the people come in and fill out the census right there and then and Mr. Gomez replied that April 1st 2020 is the official census date and around the country there will be events where we will be setting up computers everywhere and have as many people as we can come in and fill out and in if you all want to set up a day I can get enumerators to come down here with me people that are certified to fill out the form and to be here helping them and even though we can't fill it out for them but if they have a question we can help them and Councilwoman Weikel added that she felt that would be better because they would feel safer and trusting with familiar faces versus outsiders and Mr. Gomez added that he can't be on the computer asking them the questions but I can be there next to them filling it out and we try and be as confidential as possible. Mr. Gomez told Council that our response was low and anything over 25% is considered a low response score and you all were at 27% and Councilwoman Weikel asked if we had a goal or something and City Manager Davila replied that we have at least 1,200 people and Councilwoman Weikel asked what we were at right now and City Manager Davila replied that we were at 559 because a lot of people didn't turn it in. Mr. Gomez told Council that if they decide to become census partners we have census materials that you all can go online without having to ask and share information on Facebook, twitter and things you all can print out and give to the schools and the first step is to set up a committee and I will come in once a month and I will give you guys updates and it can be at the city meeting and City Consultant Eddington asked if there was a certain number of people that we need for the committee and Mr. Gomez replied no that there are some cities that only have 3 people and City Manager Davila asked if he could come to the city council meeting and let the councilmembers be on the committee and Mr. Gomez replied that we could do that but we want the committee to be more than just me talking to you for 2 or 3 minutes and also to include the school and the library and the local businesses we want it to be more than just the government and City Manager Davila asked if we are supposed to look for those people and Mr. Gomez replied that it was his job to do that and if you all suggest that I go somewhere and talk to people I will do that and we will be hiring people in the area and we do pay \$15.50 an hour and we will be hiring people that can go door to door and census field managers which coordinate where the people will go and these positions are part time or you can work up to 39 hours and they start in August September and November and then they take a break and work from January to July and the only requirement is that they be 18 and over and that they be a US citizen and these are some of the rules that they will have like public service announcements, advertisements if you all have a local newspaper print materials and flyers and things like that

and if you all decide to have the committee one person would have to be the chair and a co-chair and I don't expect you all to designate monies and larger cities like Houston have a budget for it but Laredo doesn't have a budget for it either but I can bring in flyers and little things like that and we will also have promotional items and I will be your primary contact and I will be here every month to keep you updated and I will also be an advisor just to make sure you all are following the census guidelines also if there is a partner that you would like for me to invite to the committee I can reach out to them and give them census information and I included training manuals in your packets. Councilwoman Weikel asked when the committee would meet, and Mr. Gomez replied that he could have the meetings during the day or evening hours.

6. Discussion of city Manager's Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:

A. City Manager/Consultant

- 1. Discussion only August Calendar.** City Manager Davila told Council that the reason she was here was because she had asked the Doctor to let her come to work today because she has a lot of things to do and plus, we were having a meeting today. City Manager Davila told Council that we had the area health along with other agencies for our 3 on 3 and Area health nurse gave out school supplies that day and the Chief had the 3 on 3 tournament and they had a really good turn out and they had a total of 8 teams and EMS and Fire participated with us and they never let us down and they did a great job with Chief and his officers and we also had one of the band members from the group Siggno he came and played also and he enjoyed it as well and he tries to help out in anything we do and today we had the Veterans come in and Mr. Galvan had called me when I was in Washington and he wanted to know if it would be a good idea to bring the bus and we usually bring them every year and that is a very good benefit for our veterans here and the girls typed up a flyer and yesterday they made sure that everybody knew that the bus was coming today and Mr. Galvan did put a memo together and they had a really good turnout.
- 2. Discussion only August Gazette.** City Manager Davila told Council that the Chief put in his police corner for the public to please stay hydrated and to stay cool and to check on the elderlies and our officers are really good about doing that and if there is food we will have it next week and we didn't put it on there but we will be closed on September 1st for Labor Day and the first day of school is on Monday but the Chief won't be here because he has a training starting on Monday and we had 3 of our officers out last week because they went on the CIT Training and it is a mandatory 40 hour course and 3 of them were in Del Rio for the whole week and Chief and 3 other officers will be in Laredo for the whole week at DPS and they did it like that so that they won't leave the city without any coverage and Naff will be there on the first day of school at 6:30 in the morning and we will start that again and I believe the Constable is getting a new officer a Deputy and I believe he will do a lot for our community and hopefully he will help us with the patrolling at the school and we have a lot of activity with the Police Department and sometimes they have a hard time being there all the time and last year

Chief had to leave a lot of times because he has calls. City Manager Davila told Council that she received a call from Mr. Gil from Lewis Energy and at their industrial park they have a lot of sand and they were supposed to use it for fracking but they didn't use it and they have had it there for about a year and its like 500 something tons of sand and he wanted to know if the city would be able to use it and we thought about putting it where the playground is going to be and where the splash pad is going to be located and City Consultant Eddington had also said we could put it where the picnic tables are located but actually the county employee had a very good idea he said it would be great for a volleyball court area and I think that would be a very good idea and it is a lot of sand that we are getting and maybe I can bring that back to City Council to see if you all would like to approve something like that and I know that we have a baseball park that is in the project but a volleyball thing wasn't and Chief stated that in Carrizo they have a lot of tournaments for volleyball and they also have teams there so maybe people would like to get involved with the young kids to play volleyball and it is just something that I wanted to let you all know about and we have been emailing back and forth and they did tell us that they would deliver the 33 trucks of sand to us, Councilwoman Weikel stated that when she was here in Encinal they wouldn't allow sand because of a health issue and City Manager Davila replied that we would be putting that other thing on top of it and it is like a rubber and it will help with the packing and everywhere and in San Antonio my son plays in a league and it is all sand.

B. City Consultant

1. Accounting Report

- C. Police Chief.** Chief Roy Vallejo stated that earlier they made a comment about the stop sign and sometimes we park there but they won't run the stop sign but if we don't sit there of course they are going to pass it and that is one of the reasons that we keep moving around and another thing on top of the tickets we still have to do reports, turn in drugs, do follow ups and I understand that you want tickets and Mayor Sanchez replied that I don't want tickets I just want something to be done there and City Manager Davila added that she understands what the Chief is saying and we have gotten calls from people that they are passing stop signs and doing this and we have one officer working at one time and I know what Mayor is talking about but if they see the Officers out they won't pass the stop sign and I know that Chief is in here sometimes and they do patrol it and Mayor Sanchez stated that there were 3 officers today, Councilwoman Weikel asked how many Police officers were in the Police force and City Manager Davila replied that sometimes Officer Butterfield works during the week and so does Officer Naff and Chief works all week and City Manager Davila replied that we have 9 officers on the Police Department and Chief Vallejo added that six are paid and the others are reserves and City Manager Davila added that 2 work 24 hours, 2 works 20 and one at 18 and we have 2 at 40 hours a week and Mayor Sanchez is right there were 3 here today and they did go out on calls and when I checked on them they were working on 2 reports that they need to finish and those are going to the D.A.'s office and they were downloading from the body cam and we had our server that was down but the computer guy came in today and yes I understand and yes sometimes I am with the Mayor with the frustration of why do you have to be in here but we can't dictate what they do as a police force because we can get in trouble, Councilman Aldaco stated that in big

towns is there anything we can do to install cameras that can handle that situation if our cops can't be there and City Manager Davila replied that maybe that is something we can look at and Chief Vallejo stated that Laredo used to have them but they got rid of them and the only places that would do that would be the toll roads and City Manager Davila added that the only thing that we can do and we have spoken about this before about the officers and their visibility in town and they need to schedule time for their reports and have the other officer on patrol and vice versa and maybe that is something he can work on today Naff is helping the other guys and since they were gone they didn't do those reports and Chief Vallejo added that in 2017 they had 1,317 tickets and we had an increase in of 400 tickets in 2018 and we are up again this year so I don't understand do you want more and City Manager Davila replied no that what Mayor Sanchez is concerned about safety and not having an accident at that intersection with these 18 wheelers and I don't know if it's because they haven't seen this stop sign before or they are just distracted and Mayor Sanchez added that the 18 wheeler was right behind the other car and City Manager Davila added that Linda had a really bad accident there at that stop sign and I almost got hit too, Citizen Frank Weikel added that maybe they should add lights and City Manager Davila replied that the stop sign has lights and our officers are doing a great job, I can't say they are doing a bad job and Chief Vallejo added that they are working on a case and they have to contact people and respond to dispatch calls as well and Councilman Aldaco added that this goes back to what we were talking about earlier with the census and if we can get an accurate count of people that are in this town won't that help us for the government funding for the police department and City Manager Davila replied yes that would help us and that is why we had Brianda working on that when she worked here and when we brought it to city council that is why we brought it and she worked diligently on it trying to get everybody and it was her and her sister and Vicky and the Judge, they actually worked on trying to get the accurate amount of people that we had and that is how we came to the amount of 1233 and we compared that to utility hook-ups and City Consultant Eddington added that our final figure was 1,288 and City Manager Davila added that is how we figured out how wrong the census numbers were and that is why people need to talk to their neighbors and it is very important that they turn this in and I did want to say that they are going to get another grant through our Stone Guard and the Border Patrol has been pushing for it and they pushed enough to get them a \$40,000 grant for them and it will be more O/T money and City Consultant Eddington added that the Border Patrol requested the Police Department and City Manager Davila added that she understands what the Mayor is talking about it being a safety issue but the report they turn in helps them and they literally requested the Encinal Police Department because they never do that but the reports help and before the reports weren't there for the police department, Councilwoman Weikel asked how far out the city is included and City Manager Davila replied that it includes the whole city and it includes our ETJ whatever is considered to be part of the City of Encinal and it also includes the county and Councilwoman Renteria asked about Martinena and City Manager Davila replied that is not part of the City of Encinal our boundary starts at the 38 mile marker on and Councilwoman Renteria asked if the people that live on Martinena Road don't count as residents of Encinal. Councilwoman Weikel asked if we had any plans to annex or extending the city's boundaries and City Manager Davila replied that we have no

issues on annexing but there is a part of the county but I really can't talk about it because it is the county working on it I will just wait for the county to bring me the paper work and I will bring it to you all. City Manager Davila told Council that she wanted to show them what our Officers deal with because when they are out there they deal with some bad people and Officer Ruiz was recognized in the Border Patrol blotter and she asked Chief Vallejo to explain more and Chief Vallejo said it was a BOSA report and it is a border incident report from the Laredo Sector, Middle Rio Grande Valley Sector and Del Rio Sector it is a big organization and if you get noticed from them it is actually great especially since La Salle County has not been recognized recently and City Manager Davila added that Chief does Joint Meetings and I have listened in the past and our Department has been recognized and he always has something to report. City Manager Davila proceeded to read the plaque to Council. Councilwoman Weikel suggested that we put that on our web page and City Manager Davila replied that we couldn't do that because it is confidential and Chief Vallejo added that we can't advertise it because it is Law Enforcement. Councilman Aldaco asked if the radios they had gotten last time were already in service and Chief Vallejo replied that they are working and that they are so good that La Salle County is jealous and City Manager Davila added that the La Salle County Judge told her that they had made a good choice getting those radios and we also ordered one for the Constable and Chief Vallejo told Council that the Constable could hear them in Vegas and City Manager Davila added that she had it on her phone but it has been removed and I can connect it to talk to them individually and privately on the radio but I don't have the dispatch and Councilman Aldaco added no more dropped calls and Chief Vallejo proceeded to demonstrate to Council and City Manager Davila added that before they didn't get service so they never knew when they had a call out there but now they do and now they can use them as cameras as well and Chief Vallejo added that it has GPS so I can know where the Officers are at and City Manager Davila added that she couldn't thank the County Judge enough because he did pay for the radio tower and for the yearly subscription we only bought the radios and I thought it was only fair that we get the Constable the radio so to me that was ok when Chief came and told me that the Constable wanted one and I told him to order one and Chief Vallejo added that they asked him how he found out about this system and he told them that he had researched it, Councilwoman Weikel asked if all the city cops and the constables have the radios and Chief Vallejo replied that only Constable Maldonado, the officers and DPS Sergeant Rodriguez and City Manager Davila added that Danny the Fire Chief wants to get them also because of their safety issue and Chief Vallejo added that Aransas Pass Police has it and Houston PD also has it and it is the best thing that could have ever happened to us instead of carrying a 5 pound radio on your belt we have the cell phones now and they have Bluetooth if you want to connect it to earbuds and Ricky was in my office and he said that we were way ahead of La Salle County and I was showing him how we do our reports and we have a system for it and City Manager Davila added that if he does get hired by the Constable we could get him one too if you all approve it because he is going to be our Deputy Constable, Councilwoman Weikel asked if he was going to be deputy constable for precinct 2 only and Chief Vallejo replied that he was going to be deputy constable for all the precincts and that they have been able to better communicate with Constable Maldonado now that they have the radios and he added that he had received a call from Sgt. Rodriguez

telling me that he couldn't locate one of my officers that they were in the middle of the brush and your officer is gone and we found his flashlight and his baton and we don't know where he is at so I called him with the radio and he said he was okay that he had just dropped some stuff and that is when the Sergeant said he wished he had one of those radios and Councilwoman Weikel asked if we were paying for all the radios and City Manager Davila replied that we only paid for the phone and County Judge Rodriguez paid for the tower that was installed here at the city and he also paid for the service we just paid for the phone it was \$469.00 and Councilman Aldaco added so we paid for the phone and City Manager Davila added that we paid for him to have the same Kyocera phone that the Chief has and Councilwoman Renteria added that was good since he is our Constable and City Manager Davila added that they have a really good partnership and Chief Vallejo added that he didn't mind him helping us out and us helping him because honestly I never see La Salle over here and City Manager Davila added that the Constable had hired Ricky Galvan and he told us he was going to be in our area all the time and our guys have a lot of help from Border Patrol and Councilman Aldaco added that is why they helped out with the grant and City Manager Davila replied that the people that started coming here before that had meetings with us they ended up being the guys in charge and Chief Vallejo added that they work closely with the Laredo Border Patrol sector.

7. ***Discussion and Action on allowing the Public Work's Department Workers to pick up stray dogs and take them to Dr. Leyendecker and City be responsible for the fee charge to accept dogs.*** City Manager Davila told Council that we haven't picked up dogs because I wanted the approval of Council first and we did our research and I had Vicky call Dr. Leyendecker because there is a lot of stray dogs and I know they are tired of them so and sometimes if they belong to someone and they don't want it they have to get us a letter that states please pick up my dog so we will take it and before she was charging us \$45.00 and now she is only going to charge us \$30.00 and with you all's permission if it is ok we can say pick up 10 a month or maybe 15 a month but we are going to be responsible for that and she already told us we could take them in one full cage or kennel and she will take them and as long as they are stray dogs and our Police Department helps us out too and our dog catcher is Josh and Tony and Mr. Aldaco and we can do it with our public works guys but sometimes our Police Department get calls about dogs and the public works guys aren't working so we told him to tell them to wait until Tuesday when we have our City Council meeting and depending on what City Council wants we will do that so it is up to Council but I think that we need to make a decision just because, Councilwoman Weikel asked if the dogs were going to be euthanized and City Manager Davila replied yes that is the only thing we can do because there is no dog pound that will take them and we even tried to go to Cotulla and they didn't want to take them because their dog pound that they have to hold their dogs is very small and Councilwoman Renteria asked if we were going to put it on the Gazette and City Manager Davila added that we were going to put it on the Gazette at the end of August if you all approve this and I will put on there that the City Public Works will be picking up stray dogs so please if you have a dog please keep him in your yard tie them up and follow ordinance number and make sure they are tagged and we are doing this for your safety because we have had a lot of complaints from individuals and we will start picking them up and we won't give you a set date but we will pick up in the month of September and Councilwoman Renteria asked for it to also be posted on the website. A motion to allow the Public Work's Department

Workers to pick up stray dogs and take them to Dr. Leyendecker and City be responsible for the fee charge to accept the dogs was made by Councilwoman Weikel and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor so motion carried. Councilman Aldaco stated that he knows we carried it and that we are going to do it is this just going to be during the day or when an officer has an issue with the dog are we going to pay for one of the city workers to go at night and pick up the dog and City Manager Davila replied no unless it bites someone then we will have to get him and put him in a kennel and keep him back there like we did and we will make sure and do something about it the next day and only in case of an emergency and incase it bites someone what happens then is we have to keep them for 3 days and if they think it has rabies then she will have to cut their head off and send it to get tested if it bit someone

8. ***Discussion and Action on creating Work Session meeting agendas, dates and times, these meeting will be used to inform council members of complex issues and solutions.*** City Consultant Eddington told Council that they had discussed this at the last meeting and I made a call to TML and spoke to one of the attorneys and she said that yes we could have this but you have to adopt it as two regular meetings so that you don't have to have a super majority to have a special meeting so we would have to actually adopt a resolution to be able to have 2 regular meetings during the month so 1st meeting could be A and 2nd meeting could be B so the first one would be A, a working meeting and the second one would be B, the decision making one so we wouldn't vote or make any decision on the A meeting and you still have a 72 hour requirement and you still have to post it and you would still have the same meeting requirements and City Manager Davila told Council that maybe it would be good to have it the week before that way you can know what is on the agenda or if you have suggestions of what you all want on the agenda that is a better way instead of us having to put everything on the agenda and you don't know what is going to be on the agenda so I would notify one of you that would be a walking quorum and I don't want to do anything to get in trouble so I am very careful with that and sometimes we bring things and I know sometimes it doesn't seem fair about things that are going on out there that we need to put on the agenda so this would probably be the best way so we would need at least 3 of you all to attend at least and City Consultant Eddington added that the reason you don't want to have a special meeting is because you need to have all councilmembers present and City Manager Davila added since we have an open slot and the reason I didn't put it on here is because we are trying to get over this because of the budget and the taxes that have to be approved and we need to do all that and City Consultant Eddington added that according to local Government Code Section 22.03a this is what it is governed by so we would have to put together a resolution for the next meeting and get it passed and the month after that we could start. A motion to approve the creation of Work Session meeting agendas, dates and times, these meeting will be used to inform council members of complex issues and solutions along with the resolution needed was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Weikel, all were in favor so motion carried.
9. ***Discussion on 2019 City of Encinal Certified Appraisal Data.*** City Consultant Eddington told Council that last year we were at around nineteen million and this year we are at twenty four million in taxable value and it is approximately thirty four thousand more if we stay with the same tax rate of property tax revenue and City Manager Davila added that our tax rate is very low we are not the ones that went up on the tax rate like the school district did ours is very low and City Consultant Eddington added that when we do our budget we will be using the net

taxable value and when we adopt the rate you can decide if you want to go up or down and one of the reasons why this is going up is because the previous appraisers and I'm not saying anything bad about them I don't think they had all the properties in the roll and they weren't valuing that correctly and they weren't valuing the reserves correctly either and that is one of the reasons Cotulla had an increase, Councilwoman Weikel asked if for the reserves he meant the oil and gas and City manager Davila replied that the County Judge stated that it was a big increase and he actually told me to look at the tax properties and he did give us those 3 properties and he says there is more that are in the trust of La Salle County and he said that any properties that are in the La Salle County trust he is going to deed those to us also and it is properties that have been lost in taxes, Councilwoman Renteria asked if we could sell those properties and City Consultant Eddington replied that you could sell those properties but you would have to be very careful that they are within the time frame and there is a 2 year time period where the people can redeem those properties and Councilman Aldaco added that if they are not redeemed within two years then we can sell them if they are not usable within the city and City Manager Davila added that she believes the one on the corner that has been cleaned out a lot already maybe we can use it for something.

10. Discussion and Action on adopting a Taser Usage Policy for the Encinal Police Department. City Manager Davila told Council that the policy has already been adopted so this item can be tabled. A motion to table item 10 was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

11. Discussion and Action on approving the purchase of a Taser for the Encinal Police Department. Councilwoman Weikel asked if this item hadn't been discussed before and Chief Vallejo replied that they brought back prices for a new taser and Councilman Aldaco added that he didn't like the fact that they were going to buy a refurbished taser and I didn't like that idea and I wanted to know the cost for a new one, Chief Vallejo told Council that Axion gave him a quote of \$2,000 Home and Safety has a new one for \$899.00 and it comes with 4 cartridges and it comes with a warranty in case you get in a fight or it gets lost and Councilman Aldaco asked how much the refurbished one was and Chief Vallejo replied it was \$500 and Councilman Aldaco replied that he would prefer this one, Councilwoman Weikel asked Chief Vallejo how many tasers he needed and Chief Vallejo replied just one for now and City Consultant Eddington added that if he could suggest that they not approve just one so that later we don't have to come back with the same item and let's say we approve up to 4 tasers and then you can just come back to City Council to buy it so you won't have to go thru the same thing over and over and City Manager Davila suggested that they put a cap on how many they can have and I would like to say that I would also like to stress that the Chief have a meeting to show them how to use it and to make sure that they are all certified because I do want to stress that as far as I am concerned I am not for any of this but they are and I just want to say that and Councilman Aldaco stated that is she would rather they use lethal force and City Manager Davila replied no and I am not for any of that because in a strenuous situation and you see it in San Antonio and everywhere they are just going to take it out and use it so I want to make sure he has the training and that every single one of them is properly trained and you can't use it if your not trained and you don't have the certification and I am only saying this because it could become a liability for the city and Councilman Aldaco stated that he understands the situation but I would rather have a taser on me than a handgun and I have the scenarios where they actually pull the handgun instead of the

taser and City Manager Davila added that she has seen where they have actually tasered an old lady, Councilwoman Renteria stated that she saw that video and that the lady was at fault and City Manager Davila replied that you can't say to a Judge the lady was at fault you need to follow the law and if not the city could lose a lot of money and Councilwoman Renteria stated that she wasn't an officer but just by the bodycam video she was at fault, City Manager Davila stated that the city could be sued and Chief Vallejo replied that you can't be sued if you are justified for using it and City Manager Davila replied that if you are not justified for using it you can be sued and Councilwoman Weikel added that if we can't trust our officers then we shouldn't have them and City Manager Davila replied that I always think of what is best for the city and I personally don't like any force period and Councilwoman Renteria added that in their line of duty they have to. City Manager Davila told Council that she has had conversations with Chief Vallejo about holding monthly meetings with his officers because that is very important and if you don't have that communication with them and let them know what they are doing right and what they are doing wrong and I know it is hard for him sometimes because he can't get them altogether at the same time and it is important to stress safety in all situations and I do want Council to be aware of how important it is for you to have the trainings and monthly meetings to keep the officers up to date, Councilman Aldaco asked if all the officers have been certified and Officer Butterfield replied that he was the only one not to be certified yet, Chief Vallejo added that for pepper spray and taser usage you only need to get certified once and Councilwoman Weikel suggested that Chief Vallejo have a Mandatory Safety meeting on taser usage and Chief Vallejo added that in the purchase of the taser there will be two training cartridges available so before they use it we will have a class and to teach them how to use it and how to test it and City Manager Davila added and when to use it and it is more so about when to use it then how to use it, Councilman Aldaco stated that City Consultant Eddington suggested getting 4 tasers and City Consultant Eddington replied that it does not have to be four but at least more than 1 so they don't have to bring it back over and over again, and Councilman Aldaco suggested we approve for 4 and only buy one at a time and City Manager Davila added that if later on we can afford another one we can get one and City Consultant Eddington added that this one is \$899.00 and what if it goes on sale and we have an opportunity to get another one so time period wise say we approve this one today and next week we find out we can buy another one for half price that means we have to come back to you guys and ask if we can purchase the second one because you only approved one, Chief Vallejo told Council that he would only like to have one or two tasers because there is maintenance involved with them and also the purchasing of cartridges and Councilman Aldaco suggested approving two and buying one and City Manager Davila added that Councilwoman Renteria suggested using Sizzle because you make an initial payment of \$224.75 and then they take out the same amount every two weeks so that way you don't pay it all at once so it would be great to do it like that it is just like Nardis and City Consultant Eddington told Councilman Aldaco that they would be approving two and Councilman Aldaco stated he could go forward with approving two and whenever there is a better rate or like a layaway plan to get the secondary and I could agree with that and Councilwoman Weikel asked if the holster would be included. Councilman Aldaco made a motion to purchase two tasers and two holsters for the Police Department and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Weikel, all were in favor, so motion carried.

12. Discussion and Action on Police Department Impound location to be moved to the property adjacent to the old city hall. City Consultant Eddington told Council that they had discussed this during the last meeting and the church has allowed us to use the property adjacent to the old city hall and they have always really allowed us to use it and they are requiring us to put a fence up so since we have to put up a fence and a gate it is a perfect location right next to the old city hall and we have electricity to have cameras to oversee it and lighting and it already has a 6 foot fence and we can add an extension with barbed wire and our public works guys should be able to do it and we actually looked at this when we received approval from the church and we have an estimate of about \$831.00 to buy the material and it is not going to be very expensive to put the fence and the gate there and that was extending the 6 foot fence with the barbed wire and putting a gate in and that would solve the issue of where they are at and we can watch them with the camera and we do have electricity there, Councilman Aldaco asked if we would be getting the power from the old city hall and if we are going to install cameras and City Consultant Eddington replied that we could install 360 degrees cameras at the old city hall, Councilman Aldaco asked if we still had services there like internet and City Manager Davila replied no but we could always put it back, City Consultant Eddington added that we could do the wireless cameras and we discussed this a bit with the EEDC and we are doing some renovations at the old city hall knocking down walls to extend it for the elderly program and any other program and City Manager Davila added that it had been put off for a long time and it had been approved about a year ago and the reason I had put it on here is because they took everything out of there and I wanted City Council to approve what to do with all the stuff that was in there and it is mostly old stuff but I still wanted you all's approval for old furniture and doors and that is why I had put it on here and I didn't know it had been taken off and City Consultant Eddington replied that item was not on there yet and City Manager Davila added that she wanted them to know what was going on at the old city hall and that is why the elderly program is here, Councilman Aldaco asked if there was a price list for the fence and the barbed wire and City Consultant Eddington replied that we priced it at \$831.00 and this was a while back so we need to revamp it and I can't imagine the items going up more than 10 or 15 percent so I figure we could do it for \$1,000 or maybe we can get a better deal and City Manager Davila added that we also have that rent coming in from the lease and we wouldn't be using city funds and Councilman Aldaco asked if we would start right away building the fence and City Manager Davila replied that they would probably start in 3 weeks because they are working on the city hall right now, Councilwoman Renteria asked if the church had any issues having the impounds there and City Manager Davila replied no but the guys have not been picking up impounds lately, and Councilman Aldaco asked if we would be looking at 30 to 60 days for completion. A motion to approve that the Police Department Impound location to be moved to the property adjacent to the old city hall was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Weikel, all were in favor, so motion carried.

13. Discussion and Action on approving AEP Texas Electric Rate Case Denial Resolution. City Manager Davila read the resolution aloud to Council and she said it was to deny them any electrical increase and they want us to pass it so that they can't increase the rates and it is basically so that they won't go up on our rates and the resolution would show that the City Council doesn't want them to go up on their rates and the courts denied their request to higher their rates so if we pass it we are in favor of them not raising the rates, Councilwoman Weikel

asked who was asking to pass the resolution and City Manager Davila replied that it was a law firm that is representing the cities in this area. A motion to approve the AEP Texas Electric Rate Case Denial Resolution was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

14. Discussion and Action on approving date and time of 1st City of Encinal Budget Workshop. City Consultant Eddington told Council that the 1st budget workshop would be on August 29th and it would be to discuss grants, current projects and other revenues and we will also be able to go over the taxes and City Manager Davila added that we have to adopt the tax rate that day because they always want it right of way, City Consultant Eddington added that we usually adopt our tax rate after our 2nd budget workshop. A motion to approve the 1st City of Encinal Budget Workshop on August 29th @ 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Weikel and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried.

15. Discussion and Action on approving the Bill for August 2019. City Manager Davila presented the bills to Council and the only bill that has been paid is the light and if you all have any questions I can answer them for you and it is the same ones we have every month and De Lage is our printers, Print Xpress are the cartridges that we use for our printers, Spillman Technologies is for the Police Department Nova System that they use, and the Citizens Bank this is our last payment to them and 1st State Bank of Livingston we only owe \$500.00, the one for La Salle County is for the properties that we received from them, for Cotulla ISD is what we owe them for the 3rd quarter for collecting our taxes, the other one from La Salle is also another property and these will be sent in sequential order because City Consultant Eddington made a new spread sheet for the cash flow so that is how we are paying the bills and paying the taxes, the criminal costs, the 941's and putting away for payroll and putting away for the bills and it has been working out pretty good, Councilman Aldaco asked if it was small printers and City Manager Davila replied that they were commercial printers and we have one in the Police Department and one on this side also, Nardis is the uniforms and the other bullet proof vest because we already paid for 3 bullet proof vests and TML the \$591.00 is the membership for the year, David Monnich that is the apartment, the Benefits Pool that is the insurance, the Encinal Water Supply, the Law Enforcement Systems that is the tickets, Linebarger is the Collections and Linda collects for the city and we changed the system on Linebarger for the collections we asked Linda to wait more months and what they are doing is sending out the vpta's or failure to appear and they send out the courtesy letters, and then they send out the warrants and then Linebarger would send out another letter and it will show that they already have a warrant and that they are on Omnibase and they can't get their license and that is the last straw and now she is waiting four months before she does a collection and we would rather pay 17 cents per stamp and for us to try and collect first, the TML risk pool that is our workmen's comp insurance and that is what we pay every month, the AT&T monthly payment is the maintenance fee that we pay of \$184.00 and they do the maintenance on the phone if something happens, the Allstate is another disability insurance, the Laredo Spring Water, the Frio-Nueces Current, the Applied Concepts is the police radars, the Food Bank, JVC Capital and that is the warrant postcards and Total Paint and Body and before I say anything about this, . City Consultant Eddington will now do a disclosure, City Consultant Eddington told Council that Total Paint and Body is a company that we use to paint our vehicles and he is one of my clients, City Manager Davila told Council that he has to do that disclosure because he is one of his clients and he is out of San Antonio and he has worked on

our police units before and this is the unit that was involved in the accident and that TML came back and said it was a total loss and that they could only give us so much for and maybe you would like to salvage it and get it back and they would give us \$20,350.00 we will give you that for the vehicle but if you want to keep it we will give you \$16,380.00 so City Consultant Eddington asked why don't we take it to Mr. Felan and he can tell us if it is really totaled or not so we did that and he came back with a price of \$14,000 and the vehicle is not totaled and I went and saw it and the frame is not bent and he did take everything apart and he is very particular in his work so he does a very good job and today I called the man from TML and I told him that I didn't agree with his estimate because the adjustor said it was a total loss and I told him if he understood that he was only giving us \$20,000 for a vehicle that cost us \$55,000 and City Consultant Eddington told me to let him know that we had gotten it from a grant and we paid \$55,000 and we are a small city and we can't afford it so this is a grant that they gave us and you deeming it a total loss and that is not to our advantage and he told me that he didn't know that we had equipment in there and I told him it was a police unit so now he comes back to me and asks me why I don't agree with his adjustor and I told him that I didn't agree with him because I felt we were getting cheated out of money to fix it and he told me what I can do now is do a supplement and everything that was damaged like the bumper guard, the lights, the spot lights, the striping everything extra like the radio inside and anything that is extra they will send another check to the city for that apart from the \$16,380.00 and if you get charged storage fees or whatever the mechanic charges you and you can include that as well and I am okay with that and Councilman Aldaco stated that we are going to spend \$14,000 and we are going to get likely reimbursed and City Manager Davila replied that we are going to get \$16,380.00 but Mr. Felan is charging us \$14,000 and if he has a little bit extra on something that came up at least we have the \$2,380 extra that we can use to pay, Councilwoman Weikel asked if with the itemized list that you are going to make with the extras were some of those things really damaged and City Manager Davila replied that the grill guard was damaged, the front lights were damaged, Officer Butterfield stated that there were several lights that were ripped off and I actually drove the car onto the trailer and I could have taken my hands off the steering wheel and it still drove smooth, City Manager Davila added that the mechanic checked the frame and it wasn't bent and he did say he was going to order 4 rims because two of the rims was damaged and get the new tires as well. City Consultant Eddington told Council that since this was from a grant we have an obligation to report a disposition and I have already spoke to the state about it and the form you fill out and she said as long as we are going to get it repaired with the insurance but you still have to submit a form but if we weren't going to get it repaired we would possibly have to have given that \$20,000 check back and have no vehicle. City Manager Davila told Council that the mechanic took it all apart and he only charged us \$250.00 to do that and even if he had said that it was not repairable he would have only charged us \$250.00 and he does store it in his garage every night and he takes it out in the morning to work on other vehicles until Council decides what to do. Councilwoman Weikel stated that she had a question on the AT&T bills and City Manager Davila replied that for the AT&T bills you have the city phones, you have wireless, you have the office phones, landline and you have one for the internet and then you have the maintenance one and that is why they are like that and we actually talked about the phones and we pay \$600 on the landline and I think that is a lot of money but we do have 5 different lines so I don't know if we can go back and talk to them about it but I have been thinking about that with

the landlines and with the AT&T cell phones also and there are different rates that they can give us but I think that they have exhausted the rates on the phones because we have added more phones for the police department, Councilman Aldaco asked if with these new phones they can cut back on the cellphones right and City Manager Davila replied no because that is a part of the cell phones and they are on our plan but they have another system that is for the radios and it is actually an app that they put on and it is called Tango Tango and they don't charge us for the app but the app is on the phone and the reason that you see the big amount on there is because of the phones that were added and we purchased 6 phones at \$479.00 each and Councilman Aldaco stated that the \$2,000 was for the cellphones and City Manager Davila replied yes and usually it is only about five hundred and something correction it is usually about four hundred and something and Councilwoman Weikel asked if we owned those phones and City Manager Davila replied yes after we pay the amount. A motion to approve the bills for August 2019 was made by Councilman Aldaco and he was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Renteria, all were in favor, so motion carried.

16. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. *The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept. ____, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m.* A motion to have the next City of Encinal Regular meeting on September 10th, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. was made by Councilwoman Renteria and she was seconded on the motion by Councilwoman Arizola, all were in favor, so motion carried.

17. Adjournment. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilwoman Weikel and she was seconded on the motion by Councilman Aldaco, all were in favor, so motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes were approved by Council Member Debra Weikel and a second Motion was made by Council Member Sony Aldaco on this the 10th day of September 2019.



Velma Davila
Velma Davila, City Manager
Attest City Secretary



NOTICE OF 1ST BUDGET WORKSHOP

CITY OF ENCINAL

1ST BUDGET WORKSHOP

Thursday, August 29, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

City Hall Chamber's Room

701 Berry St., Encinal, Texas 78019

1. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order.
2. The City of Encinal will be having their 1st Budget Workshop on the above date, time and location on the 2019-2020 proposed budgets.
3. Discussion on Current Projects, Grants and other Revenues.
4. Adjournment.

(The attached notice was published according to the state law requirements).

Velma Davila/City Manager

Attest: City Secretary



Posted on: Monday, August 26, 2019 @8:00 a.m.



CITY OF ENCINAL
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM at 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas, for considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Encinal, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the items listed below should the need arise and if applicable Pursuant to Authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

Accordingly, the Encinal City Council has rules of courtesy in place for all persons in attendance at its meetings. The Presiding Public Official shall at all times preserve order and decorum, prevent personal references to Council Members or the impugning of persons' motives. Citizens requesting to be heard shall sign in before the meeting is called to order and shall be called upon in the order that they signed in the Presiding Official shall use discretion in time allowed a citizen to be heard

The City of Encinal requires that testimony before the council be given under oath pursuant to Local Government Code 81.030. A person who make a false statement under oath is subject to prosecution under Section 37.02, Penal Code.

Meeting called to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call to establishing a quorum.
___ D. Weikel ___ I. Arizola ___ S. Aldaco ___ B. Renteria
3. Citizens Comments.

Members of the audience are invited to address the Council on any subject not on tonight's agenda. Speakers must come to the podium, state their name and city of residence for the Clerk's record, and limit their remarks to three minutes. As an un-agenized item, no response is required from City staff or the Council and no action can be taken:
Personal Attacks Will Not Be Allowed by Any Speaker.

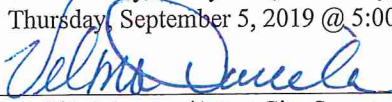
4. Discussion and Action on approving minutes for Regular Meeting dated August 13, 2019.
5. Discussion of City Managers Report of daily activities, operations of the city and upcoming events of the city. Discussion on the Accounting reports of revenues and expenditures for the city. Discussion of steady state and enhance police patrol activities in the city, and discussion of the ticket counts and collections for the criminal cost reports for the city. Discussion will be in the following order:
 - A. City Manager/ Consultant
 1. Discussion only August Calendar.
 2. Discussion only August Gazette.
 - B. City Consultant
 1. Accounting Report
 - C. Police Chief.
 1. Approval of Frago and Friendly Force grants from the Operation Stonegarden (OPSG).
 2. Discussion on meeting with U.S. Border Patrol Laredo Sector to be held on Friday, September 13, 2019 at Freer Border Patrol Station in Freer. Texas.
6. Discussion and/or possible action to authorize the City of Encinal to enter into an interlocal agreement with La Salle County Judge Joel Rodriguez/La Salle County Commissioner's for condemnation of a property for a public road that will service law enforcement and emergency services in the City of Encinal.
7. Discussion and Action on accepting Legal Counsel letter to return from leave.

8. Discussion and Action on Property Tax Rate.
9. Discussion and Approval of 2019-2020 Ad-valorem Tax Rate for the City of Encinal.
10. Discussion and Action on approving Resolution No. 09102019 City of Encinal Tax Rate.
11. Discussion and Action on getting permission to negotiate the purchase of a trash truck for not more than \$15,000.
12. Discussion and Action on approving the City of Encinal Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 to include special projects, professional and non-professional contracts & community service.
13. Discussion and Action of the appointment of City Council Member.
14. Discussion and Action on approving the Bills for September 2019.
15. Discussion and Action on Time & Date of next meeting. The next City of Encinal Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, October __, 2019, at City Hall Chambers, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas at 6:00 p.m.
16. **ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council reserves the right to consider business out of the posted order and the right to adjourn into executive session to discuss items which are not listed as executive session items, but which qualify to be discussed in closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Entrance and parking spaces for disabled persons are available in front of City Hall. Requests for accommodations or interpretative services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Manager's Office for concerns or requests @ (956) 948-5226.

Certification

I, the undersigned City Manager/Attest City Secretary, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 701 Berry, Encinal, Texas on Thursday, September 5, 2019 @ 5:00p.m.



City Manager/Attest City Secretary



NOTICE OF 2nd BUDGET WORKSHOP

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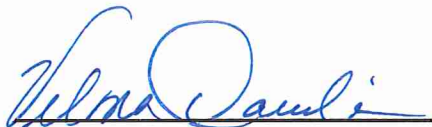
2nd BUDGET WORKSHOP
Tuesday, September 10, 2019
@5:00 P.M.

City Hall Conference Room, 701 Berry Street, Encinal, Texas 78019

CITY OF ENCINAL

1. Roll Call, Establish Quorum, Call to Order.
2. The City of Encinal will be having their 2nd Budget Workshop on the above date, time and location on the 2019-2020 proposed budgets.
3. Discussion on, Revenues, Expenditures, Salaries & Contract Pay.
4. Adjournment.

(The attached notice was published according to the state law requirements).



Velma Davila/City Manager

Attest: City Secretary



Posted on: Thursday, September 5, 2019 @5pm