

CITY OF NATALIA

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 2078 STATE HWY 132 NORTH, NATALIA, TEXAS 17 MAY 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

COVID-19 Notice: **Council Chambers Max Occupancy is limited to 20 Persons;** additional attendees must vacate facilities once maximum occupancy has been reached. We must continue to follow CRITICAL HEALTH GUIDELINES to avoid further spread or new outbreaks:

- Continue the practice of social distancing (maintaining a 6-foot distance).
- Protect yourself and others by wearing a face masks in public that cover your mouth and nose is suggested.
- Stay home if you can; minimize in-person contact and social gathering with people not in your same household.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands; avoid touching other people.
- Disinfect surfaces, buttons, handles, doorknobs, and other places touched often.
- Wash hands often and for 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** ROLL CALL – by René Hinojosa, City Administrator/Secretary
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance – Alderwoman Selica Vera
 - B. Invocation – Alderman Sam Bluemel, Jr.

2. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Anyone will be allowed to speak on any posted matter, other than personnel matters or matters under litigation, for length of time not to exceed three (3) minutes. No Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law. To address the City Council, please sign the Citizen Participation Sign-in Roster located on the table at the entrance of the Council Chambers.

3. **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

4. **PRESENTATION**

- a. Certificates of Recognition to Powerlifting Team Members who placed within the Top 3 at State.
 - Jiselle Gonzales—1st
 - Jasmine Ramon—1st
 - Meg Martinez—2nd
 - Gabriela Munoz—2nd
 - Jalesca Schorchs—3rd

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

All of the following items are considered to be routine by the City Council, there will be no separate discussion on these items and will be enacted with one motion; unless removed by any Council Member to discuss and consider separately by making such request prior to a motion and vote.

- a) Approval of the Minutes: 21 April 2021 Regular Meeting
- b) Approval of the Financial Activity Report: April 2021
- c) Approval of the Utility Department Activity Report: April 2021
- d) Approval of the Municipal Court Activity Report: April 2021
- e) Approval of the Police Code Enforcement Activity Report: April 2021

f) Approval of the Police Department Activity Report: April 2021

REGULAR SESSION

6. Introduction of newly hired regular, full-time police officer, Christopher Lee. (Mayor Ortiz to administer ceremonial Oath of Office)
7. Discussion/Consider opportunities for coordination with Keith Lutz, Emergency Management Coordinator for Medina County.
8. Discussion/Consider Action on a resolution of the City of Natalia, Texas, awarding a contract for the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Contract № 7219309 for the Natalia Clarifier Improvements Project; issuing Contractor notice to proceed; and providing for an effective date.
9. Discuss/Consider convening into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. The City Council shall meet in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 to discuss the following:
 - a) §551.074; Personnel Matters: Update on applicants and deliberation regarding hiring of a Chief of Police

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- a) City Administrator/Secretary
 - i. Road Work by County to begin in two phases. 3rd and Bartlett first; to be followed by 8th Street later.
 - ii. Eight houses approved for HOME Program
 - iii. Congressman Gonzales to be in Natalia at the Council Chambers on May 19 from 1 to 3 pm for residents to come in to discuss local concerns
 - iv. NMDD Market Day and Community Wide Garage Sale is on May 22.
 - v. City Offices Closed on Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day
 - vi. Available position for Utility Serviceman
- b) Utility Director
- c) Interim Chief of Police
 - i. Police Officers staff update

12. ADJOURNMENT

Accessibility Statement: The City of Natalia City Hall is wheelchair accessible. The entry ramp is located in the front of the building. Accessible parking spaces are also available in the front of the building. Sign interpretative services for meetings must be made 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Call the A.D.A. Coordinator at 817-447-5400 or TDD 1-800-735-2989.

Executive Session: The City of Natalia City Council reserves the right to convene into Executive Session at any time regarding an issue on the agenda for which it is legally permissible; pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551; Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney; Section 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; Section 551.073 Deliberation about Gifts and Donations; Section 551.074 Personnel Matters; Section 551.076 Deliberations about Security Devices; and Section 551.087 Economic Development. The council may then reconvene in open session to take action.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, René Hinojosa, City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the City was posted on the outside bulletin board at the City of Natalia City Hall, 2078 State Hwy. 132 N., Natalia, Texas, and on the city's website <http://cityofnatalia.com>, both places convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times.

Said Notice was posted on May 14, 2021 on or before 7:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Posted By: **RENÉ HINOJOSA, City Secretary**

René J. Hinojosa

