

**Minutes  
Special Meeting  
May 11, 2021**

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., the City Council of the City of Devine convened in a Special Meeting, the same being opened to the public at their regular meeting place, thereof, at the Dr. George S. Woods Community Center, 200 E. Hondo Avenue, Devine, Texas. Notice of said Meeting having been prescribed in Chapter 551, Government Code, and Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, and the following members being present:

Mayor Cory Thompson  
Alderman Steve A. Lopez  
Alderman David Espinosa  
Alderwoman Debbie Randall  
Alderman Rufino Vega  
Alderwoman Kathy Lawler

Thus, constituting a quorum.

Personnel present: John Vidaurri, City Administrator; Dora V. Rodriguez, City Secretary; Denise Duffy, City Accountant; Ismael Carrillo, Public Works Consultant; and Ruben Chapa, Code Compliance Officer.

Others present: Marly Davis, Devine News; Darrell Greco and Gilberto Garza, Greco Construction; Eva Thompson, Glenn Thompson; Laura Sinclair, Bill Sinclair; Jim Lawler; J.B. Pompa; Shirl & Scott Grego; Glenda Allen; Linda Kreinhop, Bill Kreinhop; Jerry Lee Stevens; and Cynthia Chalaire, of Devine, Texas.

Mayor Thompson, presiding, declared the meeting open.

The first order of business was to canvass the election returns for the May 1, 2021 General Election for Mayor, District #2 and District #5. *(El primer orden de negocio fue para escrutinar los resultados de la Elección General el día 1 de Mayo del 2021 para el Alcalde, Distrito #2 y Distrito #5.)*

Council reviewed the election material presented as Glenda Allen, Election Judge, went over everything. She informed Council that they checked and doubled checked, and everything went well. *(El Consejo revisó el material electoral presentado mientras Glenda Allen, Juez Electoral, repasó todo. Ella le informó al Consejo que ellos verificaron y verificaron dos veces, y todo salió bien.)*

Motion by Alderman Espinosa, seconded by Alderman Lopez to accept the election results for the May 1, 2021 General Election for Mayor, District #2 and District #5. *(Mocionado por Concejal Espinosa y apoyada por Concejal Lopez para aceptar los resultados de la Elección General el día 1 de Mayo del 2021 para el Alcalde, Distrito #2 y Distrito #5.)*

Ayes *(Voto a Favor)*    --    All *(Todos)*  
Nays *(Voto en Contra)*    --    None *(Ninguno)*

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Motion carried. (*Moción aprobada.*)

The second order of business was the Certificates of Election. (*El segundo orden de negocio fue los Certificados de Elección.*)

Motion by Alderman Espinosa, seconded by Alderwoman Lawler to approve the Certificates of Election. (*Mocionado por el Concejal Espinosa y apoyada por la Concejal Lawler de aprobar los Certificados de Elección.*)

Ayes ( <i>Voto a Favor</i> )	--	All ( <i>Todos</i> )
Nays ( <i>Voto en Contra</i> )	--	None ( <i>Ninguno</i> )

Motion carried. (*Moción aprobada.*)

The third order of business was to administer Oaths of Office to newly Elected/Appointed Officers. (*El tercer orden de negocio fue administrar los Juramentos del Cargo a los funcionarios Recién Elegidos/Nombrados.*)

City Attorney Tom Cate administered the Oaths of Office to Angela Pichardo, Cory Thompson and Debbie Randall. (*El Abogado de la Ciudad, Tom Cate, administró los Juramentos del Cargo a Angela Pichardo, Cory Thompson y Debbie Randall.*)

Right after the Oath of Office was done for Angela Pichardo – District #2, Alderman Lopez read a letter congratulating her, and he made a recommendation for Council to appoint Alderman David Espinosa as the new Mayor Pro-Tem. (*Inmediatamente después de que hizo el juramento para Angela Pichardo – Distrito #2, el Concejal Lopez leyó una carta felicitándola y recomendó que el Concejo nombrara al Concejal David Espinosa como el Nuevo Alcalde Pro-Tem.*)

The fourth order of business was to discuss and consider for Council to approve change orders for the renovation of the Golf Club House submitted by Architect.

City Administrator John Vidaurri went over a brief overview for the new council person; he went over the Proposed Change Orders (PCO's #1, #2 and #6):

Council reviewed a breakdown of revised cost for the Proposed Change Orders (PCO's) in question, presented by Gilberto Garza, Project Manager, Greco Construction.

Darrell Greco went over all the changes at the walk-thru from a limited kitchen to a full-service kitchen. Discussion was held that Option 1 (PCO #1, 2 & 6 totaled to \$32,710.00 which included a savings of \$4,184.00). He told Council that the final day to finish has not changed the 120 days. It will be approximately July 30 – August 1, 2021.

Council held lengthy discussion on ordering the kitchen equipment.

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Alderman Espinosa inquired if anything has been overlooked, so we can finish. According to Darrell Greco, the only thing will be to discuss paint color and gas coming into the building. Alderwoman Lawler inquired if this will cover everything and according to Darrell Greco, it will.

Alderwoman Randall thanked the contractors for finding the savings and putting us back into the budget.

Alderwoman Pichardo inquired about the accuracy of documents, like with the load-bearing wall; she requested a document for this. Darrel Greco pointed out that the City has an independent inspector who will review all of this.

Council held more discussion with Darrell Greco over the uneven floor and the walkway from the golf course and to extend handrails.

Alderwoman Pichardo said funds will not be released until the completion of the work. According to Darrell Greco, the pay application has to be approved by the architect. Alderwoman Pichardo requested a copy of the contract.

Motion by Alderwoman Randall, seconded by Alderman Vega to accept Option 1 – PCO #1, #2 and #6 for a total of \$32,710.00.

Options and Breakdown of Revised Costs for PCO's attached as Exhibit A.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

The fifth order of business was to discuss and consider for Council to appoint a Councilperson to serve on the Three-Member Committee to rank the Professional Engineering Services for Road and Utility Infrastructure Improvements with the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, for the City of Devine.

Mayor Thompson inquired if Alderman Vega could do this again if he had the time. Alderwoman Pichardo expressed interest in wanting to be on the committee. Council held discussion.

Motion by Alderman Vega, seconded by Alderman Espinosa to appoint Alderwoman Pichardo to serve on the Three-Member Committee along with City Administrator John Vidaurri and Director of Public Works/Emergency Management Coordinator Rob Flores.

Ayes	--	Four – Aldermen Vega, Espinosa, Alderwomen Lawler, Pichardo
Nays	--	None
Abstain	--	One – Alderwoman Randall

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Motion carried.

The sixth order of business was Informational Items.

Council discussed the following:

- Upcoming Events provided by Devine Police Department:
  - May 12, 2021 – A Certified Euthanasia Technician Course will be held at the Community Center from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Crystal Rodriguez will be attending.
  - May 15, 2021 – Walmart will be giving Covid Vaccines at the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  - May 15, 2021 – Also, Devine High School will be having their Prom. Two Devine officers will be working the Prom.
  - May 26, 2021 – At 9:00 a.m., the Devine Elementary school teachers and students will be walking to the City Park. Devine Police Department will be present for traffic control.
  - May 28, 2021 – Devine High School will have their Graduation at the Devine Warhorse Stadium. Officers will be working the event.
- Asbestos Project – Alderwoman Randall inquired about the bids for the Asbestos Project. City Administrator John Vidaurri will be setting up a meeting next week with City Engineer J.R. Garcia to go over the Water project and paving. He will have a report for Council. \$263,000 has been budgeted; we are looking at \$257,274.
- Parks Board – Alderwoman Pichardo would like for Mr. J.B. Pompa to sit on the Parks Board for District #2. This will be put on the agenda for next week.
- Tree Trimming – Mayor Thompson talked about getting with Commissioner Pct. #4 Jerry Beck about doing some tree trimming for the paving project. City Administrator John Vidaurri will get with Mr. Beck.

There being no further business to come before the governing body, motion made by Alderwoman Lawler, seconded by Alderman Vega to adjourn meeting.

Ayes	--	All
Nays	--	None

Motion carried.

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Mayor

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City Secretary