

MEETING MINUTES
FLORESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 8, 2023, 6:00 PM
FLORESVILLE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1120 D STREET, FLORESVILLE, TEXAS 78114

Call meeting to order: *Mayor Gonzalez-Dipple called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm*

Invocation: *Joel Sosa*

Recite U.S. Pledge of Allegiance & Texas Pledge: *Pledges were recited*

Establish Quorum: *Mayor Gonzalez-Dipple presided over Council Member Ximenez, Rolland, Rodriguez-Green, Marroquin, and Scee*

Citizen Comments: *None*

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION

****Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551****

The Floresville City Council may at any time during the meeting close the meeting and hold an executive session pursuant to the Texas Open meetings Act codified as Chapter 551, Texas Government Code which permits closed meetings pursuant to Section 551.071 for purposes of consulting with its attorneys; Section 551.072 deliberating about real property; section 551.073, deliberating about gifts, and donations; section 551.074 deliberating about personnel matters; Section 551.076 deliberating about security devices; Section 551.084 regarding exclusion of witness in connection with an investigation; Section 551.086 deliberating, voting, and taking action as a power utility on a competitive matter; Section 551.087 deliberating about economic development negotiations; and Section 551.088 deliberating about test items to discuss and/or deliberate any of the posted matters to be considered during the open meeting. If it does go into Executive Session, the Floresville City Council may deliberate in executive session, vote on the matter in open session, and announce it for the minutes.

- a. Consultation with attorney pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071(1) and (2), Texas Gov't Code to receive legal advice and recommendations regarding the internal affairs investigation of complaints against Police Chief Lorenzo Herrera by an independent third-party investigator; and to receive legal advise and counsel in connection with the lawsuit styled *Christopher Perez v. City of Floresville, et. al.*, Cause No. 5:23-cv-990 (United States District Court for the Western District of Texas - San Antonio Division); and to receive legal advice and counsel in connection with the Charge of Discrimination filed by Benjamin Reed, former FEDC Director.
- b. Personnel matter pursuant to Section 551.074, Tex. Gov't Code, to deliberate the **appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; the Chief of Police, Lorenzo Herrera.**

Council Member Scee made a motion to go into executive session at 6:03 pm. Council Member Rolland seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0

NAME	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Gonzalez-Dippel				
Council Member Ximenez	x			
Council Member Rolland	x			
Council Member Rodriguez-Green	x			
Council Member Ximenez-Marroquin	x			
Council Member Scee	x			
Motion Carries 5/0				

Council Member Rolland made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:51 pm. Council Member Rodriguez-Green seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/0.

NAME	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Gonzalez-Dippel				
Council Member Ximenez	x			
Council Member Rolland	x			
Council Member Rodriguez-Green	x			
Council Member Ximenez-Marroquin	x			
Council Member Scee				x
Motion Carries 4/0				

Council Member Scee returned after the vote at 6:52 pm

Action Following Executive Session

- a. Consideration and possible Action, if required, following deliberation in closed session.

No Action

- b. Consideration and possible action concerning the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; the Chief of Police, Lorenzo Herrera.

Chief Lorenzo Herrera requested an open session.

Council Member Scee made a motion to approve the City Manager's recommendation for termination of Chief of Police. Council Member Rolland seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/1

NAME	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Gonzalez-Dippel				
Council Member Ximenez		x		
Council Member Rolland	x			
Council Member Rodriguez-Green	x			
Council Member Ximenez-Marroquin	x			
Council Member Scee	x			
Motion Carries 4/1				

Citizens Comment: Bernadette Herrera, Fred Gonzalez, Melissa Sendejo

3. ADJOURN: 7:02 pm

Attest:

Evelyn Garcia
Evelyn Garcia- City Secretary

Cecelia Gonzalez-Dippel
Cecelia Gonzalez-Dippel- Mayor