

## MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 14, 2024

The Government Body of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on May 14, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, with Mayor- Gustavo Olivares Absent, Mayor Pro-Tem- Margaret Perez - Present, Commissioners Juan Garza- Present, Esteban Bocanegra- Absent, Olga Gallegos- Present , and Jose Cavazos- Present

Also Present: Ben Medina, City Administrator  
Robert Drinkard, City Attorney  
Carolyn Dawson, Library Director

William Bilokury Police Chief  
Lucy Garza, Finance Director

### INVOCATION: Led by Commissioner Juan Garza

### Call meeting to Mayor-Pro-tem Perez

### Regular Agenda:

1. Mayor's and Commissioners' Reports - No reports were given by the Commission.
2. Reports: Administrator, Public Library, Senior Center, Library, Public Works, Public Safety, Finance Report. The City Administrator, Public Library, Public Safety, gave their reports. Public Works was called to an emergency.
3. Public Comment Period: *Please Note- The Public Comment Period is designated for hearing concerns regarding City of Rio Hondo Public Policy or City of Rio Hondo business that is not on the agenda.*

No Comments from the Public

4. Audience and Discussion with East Rio Hondo Water Supply and the City of Rio Hondo on the impact of the drought conditions, emergency interconnections, and alternative raw water and potable water supplies. (Brain McManus, General Manager East Rio Hondo Water Supply and City Administrator). Item Tabled.
5. Status Report on Boat Ramp Park Project. (City Administrator). Mr. Medina reported that the fishing pier had been completed and the boat docks. The electrical is almost complete and waiting for AEP. Commissioner Garza requested that the boat ramp be open. The Contractor is wanting to deliver the project all completed with the warranty to start.
6. Discussion and Action on Ordinance No. 2024-02 replacing Ordinance No 375 and providing for publication of and ordaining other matters related to the forgoing. (City Administrator and Public Safety Officer). Commission Bocanegra motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-02 and Seconded by Commissioner Margaret Perez and the motion carried. Mr. Drinkard, City Attorney stated that the ordinance allowed for 4 dogs and the violation penalties had increased to \$125 for first offense, 250 for second offense, and \$400 for third offense.
7. Adjournment

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Gustavo Olivares  
Mayor of the City of Rio Hondo