

**PALM VALLEY CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
March 7, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Palm Valley met in a Regular Meeting on the 7th day of March 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at 1313 N. Stuart Place Road, Palm Valley, Texas. (ZOOM videoconferencing was available for the public).

Council members present:

Mayor Pro Tem Gilberto Lucio
Councilwoman Lisa Taylor
Councilwoman Annette Baker
Councilman Eric Hoff (arrived at

Not in attendance:

Councilman Jerry Wade

Present:

Jason Mann, City Attorney

Staff present (all in person):

City Secretary: Kathy J Cherry
Jose Rivera, Support Services Aide

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Gilberto Lucio.
2. **INVOCATION** - The invocation recited by Councilwoman Baker.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - The Pledge of Allegiance followed led by Mayor Pro Tem Lucio.

Mayor Pro Tem Lucio read the "Conflict of Interest" under section state law.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- i. Nadine MackIndy-Consideration of hiring the current Interim Adrian Quintanilla to become the new Chief of Police for the City of Palm Valley.
- ii. Alvaro Garcia-Words of gratitude and salutations and to also make a consideration and in support of the current Interim Adrian Quintanilla becoming the new Chief of Police for the City of Palm Valley.

Councilwoman Taylor, Chief, it has been our pleasure to have you and its been our pleasure to work with you through the years and you will be greatly missed.

Mayor Pro Tem Lucio, I agree. I didn't know you for long. You are a standout officer coming from a Police Officer as well. Thanks for leading the city for the last 7 or 8 months I've been here on the council and the last three years. You guys helped out a lot.

Councilwoman Baker, I am really touched that you would come back with gratitude. That shows a lot of character and honor and I appreciate that.

Councilwoman Baker, made a motion to move into Executive Session

Councilwoman Taylor, second the motion

Mayor Pro Tem Lucio, motion carried to move into Executive Session.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT: PERSONNEL MATTERS INVOLVING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OR TO HEAR A COMPLAINT AGAINST AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE.

Mayor Pro Tem Lucio, back in regular session and the time is now 6:32 p.m.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE INTERIM POLICE CHIEF AND INTERIM SERGEANT.

Councilwoman Baker, I make a motion to appoint as Municipal Interim Police Chief

Councilwoman Taylor, second motion

Mayor Pro Tem Lucio took the votes and the motion was carried unanimously by those present. We now have a new Police Chief.

Councilwoman Baker, motion to remove the Municipal Officer Chief Garcia pursuant of Texas Local Government Code 22.077 (B)

Councilman Hoff, I would like to read that before I second.


Councilman Hoff second the motion.

Councilwoman Taylor, Reluctantly, very reluctantly, aye.

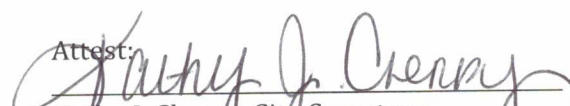
Mayor Pro Tem Lucio took the votes, and the motion was carried unanimously by those present to remove the Municipal Officer Chief Garcia under section Texas Local Government Code 22.077 (B). Motion carries.

Councilman Hoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Gilberto Lucio, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:


Kathy J. Cherry, City Secretary