

**SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY OF KARNES CITY  
AUGUST 8, 2023**

**STATE OF TEXAS)  
COUNTY OF KARNES)  
CITY OF KARNES CITY)**

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of **August 2023**, the City Council of the City of Karnes City, Texas convened in a **Special Meeting** at **5:00 P.M.** in the City Hall with the following members answering to “Roll Call”:

Mayor: Leroy T. Skloss  
Mayor – Pro-Tem: Jimmy D. Loya, Sr. @ 5:40pm  
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Helen Hernandez  
Donald Dziuk and Aaron Rosales

Councilmembers absent:

Others present were: Interim City Manager/City Secretary (CS) Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW) Fernando Rios, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Haylee Jurgajtis, and Mely Martinez.

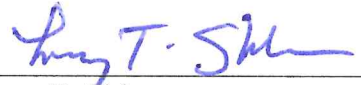
**4. Public Comments** – No comments.

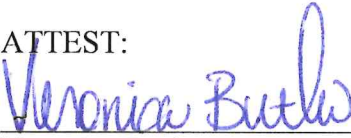
**NEW BUSINESS – “CONSIDER AND ACT UPON”:**

- 5. Discuss and take possible action on the request from Karnes City Chamber of Commerce for City support, to include street maintenance and city police patrols on temporary closure of E. Calvert Street between Market Street and Bond Street on October 31, 2023, for a Downtown Trick or Treat** – Mely Martinez with the Karnes City Chamber informed the Council they would like to continue the downtown trick or treat with the assistance from the city. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Rosales and seconded by Councilmember Dziuk to approve the request from Karnes City Chamber of Commerce for City support, to include street maintenance and city police patrols on temporary closure of E. Calvert Street between Market Street and Bond Street on October 31, 2023, for a Downtown Trick or Treat. The vote was 3-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed. Councilmember Lyssy abstained from voting.
- 6. Discuss and take possible action on the request from the Children’s Alliance of South Texas (CAST) for a yearly donation in the amount of \$5,000** – Chief Salas presented the request, informed the Council this is a great resource for the City and County. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to approve the request from the Children’s Alliance of South Texas (CAST) for a yearly

donation in the amount of \$5,000 The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

7. **Workshop: Review and Discussion of staff presentation on city's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and proposed allocation of funds, capital projects, employee wages, and other related budgetary matters** – Haylee went over the budget and the department's needs. No action taken.
8. **Discuss and take possible action on proposed calculated No New Revenue Rate (NNR) and Voter Approval Rate (VAR) for the 2023 tax year** – Haylee went over the NNR and VAR rate. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to propose the VAR tax rate of 0.535298 which is I&S of 0.243855 and M&O of 0.291443. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.
9. **Adjournment** - There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Rosales to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

  
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Leroy T. Skloss  
Mayor

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Veronica Butler  
Interim City Manager/City Secretary

