

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CITY OF KARNES CITY
FEBRUARY 25, 2025**

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

On this 25th day of February 2025, the City Council of the City of Karnes City, Texas convened in a **Regular Monthly Meeting** at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall with the following members answering to “Roll Call”:

Mayor – Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy Loya
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Helen Hernandez,
and Donald Dziuk

Councilmembers absent: Aaron Rosales

Others present: City Manager (CM) Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works, Fernando Rios, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Kevin Moehrig, David Young, Bob Thonhoff, Cythina Pacheco, Ernest Pacheco, Lesley Lewallen, David Wiatrek and Tina Jones-Radicke.

**C. U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence/Prayer**

D. Public Comments – No public comments.

(1) Minutes

- a. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from;
January 28, 2025
February 12, 2025

(2) Discuss and consider monthly reports from City Departments

(A) Racial Profiling Report

Mayor Skloss presented the reports. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the Consent Agenda. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

G. NEW BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(3) Discuss and take possible action on the request from Ernest Pacheco to purchase City owned Lot #4 of Blk 203, Karnes City, Texas – Ernest and Cythina Pacheco informed the Council they would like to purchase a city lot located at 1608 N. Browne, the lot is adjacent to their property. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Dziuk to authorize the City Manager to work with the City Attorney on drafting the advertisement for sealed bids. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(4) Discuss, consider and take possible action on the presentation from AACOG on the proposed Karnes County Transportation route – Doris Martinez presented the proposed

fixed route for Karnes City and Kenedy. Mayor Skloss and the Council expressed their recommendations and concerns. After further discussion, no action was taken.

(5) Discuss and take possible action on the First Amendment to the License Agreement with KC Community Food Pantry - CM Butler informed the Council that this is the amendment of the contract, extending the agreement for an additional six (6) months and adding in the action items approved at last month meeting, approving Thriving Hearts Crisis Center and Sharing God's Love to use the vacant offices. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the First Amendment to the License Agreement with KC Community Food Pantry. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed

(6) Discuss and take possible action on the proposal from SENERGY (Schneider Engineering) in the amount of \$22,500 to conduct a Cost-of-Service Study/Rate Study on City's water rates – Mayor Skloss presented the proposal, he mentioned he spoke with city auditors to ask his recommendations, this is something that is not needed at this time. Mayor Leroy recommended waiting until next year, this can be something we may look to add to next year's budget. No action taken.

(7) Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2025-003 updating the Municipal Maintenance Agreement (MMA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) – CM Butler presented the Municipal Maintenance Agreement, there is no change it is just updating a 1997 agreement. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to approve Ordinance 2025-003 updating the Municipal Maintenance Agreement (MMA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed

(8) Discuss and take possible regarding the 2025 Street Improvement Project – David Young presented the updated list of streets, he informed the council this is based off the recommendations from last months meeting. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Hernandez and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to approve the 2025 Street Improvement Project as presented. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(9) Discuss and take possible action to award the administrative services contract to Langford Community Management for the preparation of the City's 2025 Downtown Revitalization Program Grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) – CM Butler presented the two bids along with recommendation of award. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Council Lyssy to award the administrative services contract to Langford Community Management for the preparation of the City's 2025 Downtown Revitalization Program Grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(10) Discuss and take possible action on the proposal from Inception Lighting in the amount of \$7,341.08 to install color changing flood lights to the Water Tower – CM Butler presented the proposal. Councilmember Loya informed the council of the issues we have had since day one with the current lights, now they are not working at all. After further discussion, no action was taken.

(11) Discuss and take possible action on approval for Council and/or Staff to attend the TML Association of Hispanic Municipal Officials (AHMO) Conference in Corpus Christi on April 13-15, 2025 – CM Loya informed the Council he would like to attend and would like to see if any other staff or Councilmembers would also like to attend. He stated its great networking and helps get our city name out there. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Hernandez and seconded by Councilmember Dziuk to approve City Manager, Veronica Butler and Councilmember Jimmy Loya to attend the TML Association of Hispanic Municipal Officials (AHMO) Conference in Corpus Christi on April 13-15, 2025. The vote was 3-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed. Councilmember Loya abstained from voting.

(12) Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2025-004 Declaring Unopposed Candidates for the office of City Councilmember District #3 and Councilmember District #5 – Mayor Skloss presented the Ordinance. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to approve Ordinance 2025-004 Declaring Unopposed Candidates for the office of City Councilmember District #3 and Councilmember District #5. The vote was 3-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed. Councilmember Loya abstained from voting.

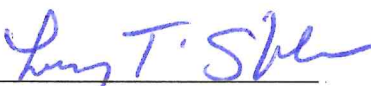
(13) Discuss and take possible action on future agenda items – No recommendations.

H. Adjournment: There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Lyssy to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 4-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

ATTEST:



Veronica Butler
City Manager/Secretary



Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor