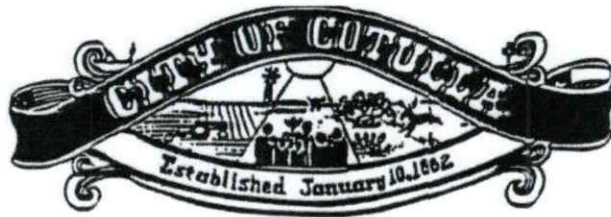


**Alderspersons**  
Eloy Zertuche  
Reynaldo Garcia  
Juan Garcia  
Luis Allala, Jr.  
Alfredo N. Gonzalez



**Mayor**  
JAVIER GARCIA

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## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021

### MINUTES

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, where he temporary suspended certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, take notice that a regular meeting scheduled at **7:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, January 28, 2021** will be conducted by video conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”), to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), to consider and act upon any lawful subjects which may come before it. **There will be no public access to the City of Cotulla Council Meeting.**

The City Council of the City of Cotulla, Texas will hold a REGULAR MEETING at the **Alexander Convention Center 290 N. IH 35 Access Road, Cotulla, Texas, 78104**. Council will have the option to attend in person or by Conference Call. The citizens of Cotulla will also be able to listen to the meeting by video conference. *Public Comment will only be accepted in writing no later than 30 minutes in advance of the meeting by sending them to City Secretary Bianca Maldonado at [biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com](mailto:biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com). Questions regarding agenda items can be addressed by calling or messaging the following number during the meeting. (830) 483-1461.*

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR VIDEO CONFERENCE.** The public may access this meeting through the City of Cotulla YouTube Page at [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) **City of Cotulla COC**  or City of Cotulla webpage [www.cityofcotulla.org](http://www.cityofcotulla.org).

1. Call to Order.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Javier Garcia, Councilman Juan Garcia, Eloy Zertuche, Alfredo N. Gonzalez, Reynaldo Garcia  
Absent: Councilman Luis Allala, Jr.

Councilman Alfredo N. Gonzalez and Reynaldo Garcia voted in favor to excuse Councilman Luis Allala, Jr.  
Councilman Juan Garcia and Eloy Zertuche voted against to excuse Councilman Luis Allala, Jr., therefore, making the vote 2 to 2.  
Mayor Javier Garcia voted against, therefore, Councilman Luis Allala, Jr is marked UNEXCUSED.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
4. Citizens to be heard. In order to limit the number of people in attendance per the Governor's Order. Public Comment will only be accepted in writing no later than 30 minutes in advance of the meeting by sending them to City Secretary Bianca Maldonado at [biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com](mailto:biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com). City Council cannot discuss any presented issues, nor may any action be taken on any given issue at this time. (Attorney General Opinion JC-0169)  
No citizens comment.
5. Departmental and Committee Reports
  - a. Municipal Court – written report submitted by Teri Gonzalez.
  - b. Code Compliance – written report submitted by Melissa Perales.
  - c. Water/Wastewater – written report submitted by David Wright.
  - d. Gas – no report submitted.
  - e. Streets & Parks – written report submitted by Robbie Thomas.
  - f. Sanitation – written report submitted by Mel Martinez.
  - g. Animal Control – no report submitted.
  - h. Main Street - no report submitted.
6. Approval of Minutes
  - November 12, 2020Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 12, 2020 was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.

### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED**

7. **Discussion and possible action ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COTULLA ELECTING ONE (1) ALDERMAN TO SERVE AS MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR.**  
Motion to appoint Councilman Alfredo N. Gonzalez as Mayor Pro Tem was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman R. Garcia, with all in favor.

### **MOTIONS TO BE APPROVED**

8. **Discussion and possible action on a REPLAT of Lot 11, Block 16 into Lots 11A, 11B, 11C and 11D, Block 16 Cotulla Business Park.**  
Motion to approve a REPLAT of Lot 11, Block 16 into Lots 11A, 11B, 11C and 11D, Block 16 Cotulla Business Park was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.
9. **Discussion and possible action on a PRELIMINARY PLAT of 116.18 AC./5,060,932 Sq. Ft. situated in the I. & G.N.R.R. Survey, A-462, and the SA & MG R.R. Co., A-1657 Loves Subdivision.**  
Motion to approve a PRELIMINARY PLAT of 116.18 AC./5,060,932 Sq. Ft. situated in the I. & G.N.R.R. Survey, A-462, and the SA & MG R.R. Co., A-1657 Loves Subdivision and bring back to council for a FINAL was made by Councilman A. Gonzalez. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.

10. **Presentation of financial statements by Jorge Flores.**  
Presentation of financial statements was made by Jorge Flores; no action was taken.
11. **Discussion and possible action to enter into a Interlocal Agreement with La Salle County to help complete some paving improvements along Kerr Street and Lalo Gonzalez.**  
Motion to enter into a Interlocal Agreement with La Salle County to help complete some paving improvements along Kerr Street and Lalo Gonzalez was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman R. Garcia, with all in favor.
12. **Discussion and possible action to approve a Contractor's Application for Payment No. 6 submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$48,359.93 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main.**  
Motion to approve a Contractor's Application for Payment No. 6 submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$48,359.93 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main was made by Councilman E. Zertuche. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with everyone in favor.
13. **Discussion and possible action to approve a Contractor's Application for Payment No. 7 submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$153,292.50 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main.**  
Motion to approve a Contractor's Application for Payment No. 7 submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$153,292.50 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main was made by Councilman A. Gonzalez. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.
14. **Discussion and possible action to award the City of Cotulla Poole St. & Waterline Improvement Project based upon the recommendation of S&B Infrastructure to Sal Construction for the amount of \$789,941.50.**  
Motion to award the City of Cotulla Poole St. & Waterline Improvement Project based upon the recommendation of S&B Infrastructure to Sal Construction for the amount of \$789,941.50 was made by Councilman was made by Councilman E. Zertuche. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.
15. **Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment No. 1 to the TxCDBG #721-9089 – Engineering Services Contract extending the termination date from December 31, 2020 to December 31, 2021 in order to complete the scope of services.**  
Motion to approve Amendment No. 1 to the TxCDBG #721-9089 – Engineering Services Contract extending the termination date from December 31, 2020 to December 31, 2021 in order to complete the scope of services was made by Councilman E. Zertuche. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.
16. **Discussion and possible action to ratify the disbursement of a Longevity Pay for all employees in December.**  
Motion to ratify the disbursement of a Longevity Pay for all employees in December was made by Councilman A. Gonzalez. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.
17. **Discussion and possible action to approve the 2021 Holiday Schedule.**  
Motion to approve the 2021 Holiday Schedule was made by Councilman A. Gonzalez. The

150' on Poole Street in the amount of \$14,500.00 was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.

**11. Discussion on the housing situation of immigrants in Cotulla.**

Discussion only, no action needed.

**12. Discussion and possible action on a Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster due to a public health emergency.**

Discussion only, no action needed.

**13. CLOSED SESSION - Tex. Gov't Code Ann. Sec. 551.071 (1),(2)**

Council entered into closed session at 7:52 p.m.

**a.) Myrta Garcia Easement**

No action was taken in closed session.

**14. OPEN SESSION - The city council will reconvene into open session to discuss and take possible action on the closed session item(s) 13 a.**

Council reconvened into open session to discuss and take possible action on the closed session item(s) 13 a.

Motion to approve mediated settlement regarding Cristo Rey Cemetary was made by Councilman R. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman E. Zertuche, with all in favor.

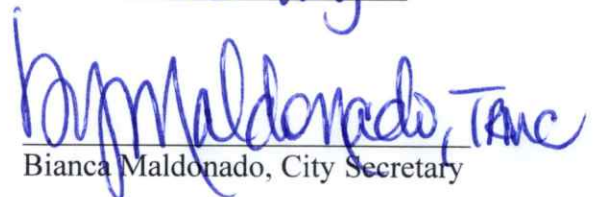
Motion to approve the purchase of the Myrta Garcia Easement in the amount of \$50,000 was made by Councilman E. Zertuche. The motion was seconded by Councilman R. Garcia, with all in favor.

**15. Adjourn.**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m. by Mayor J. Garcia.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February, 2021

  
Javier Garcia, Mayor

  
Bianca Maldonado, City Secretary