

**MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 26, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.  
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	Dr. Ruben Saldana Armando Garcia Dr. Jacob Howell	Mayor Pro-Tem Commissioner Commissioner
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	Oscar D. Montoya Sr. Joe Martinez	Mayor Commissioner
<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	Alberto Perez Martie Garcia-Vela Joselynn Castillo Javier Ramirez	City Manager City Attorney City Secretary Asst. City Manager

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro-Tem Saldana welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

**2. ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Three Members of the Commission were present which constitutes a quorum. Mayor Montoya and Commissioner Martinez were absent.

**3. INVOCATION**

Commissioner Howell said the invocation.

**4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Garcia led in the pledge of allegiance.

**5. OPEN FORUM**

There were no comments.

**6. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

Mr. Ramirez informed the Commission about the resolution to commit the city to the FEMA dome project mainly funded by GLO. The project will alleviate flooding in the northern part of Mercedes. The City of Mercedes commitment is \$341,472.40 and may include any amount that might exceed that. Legal recommended to provide authority to management to amend the amount. Commissioner Garcia motioned to approve resolution 2024-02 authorizing \$341,472.40. Commissioner Howell seconded. Mr. Perez stated if the price increases more than his threshold of \$50,000 then he will bring back to Commission. The timeline has not been provided until the resolution and a contract is presented. Upon a called vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Garcia motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Howell seconded. Upon a called vote, the motion passed unanimously at 12:16 p.m.