

**MINUTES OF THE FOWLER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday April 11, 2022**

Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriquez called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Rodriquez, Kazarian, Mejia, Parra (via teleconference)

City Staff Present: City Manager Quan, City Attorney Cross, Public Works Director Dominguez, Community Development Director Gaffery, Recreation Coordinator Hernandez, Finance Director Moreno

- 3. Discuss and Consider Options for Filling the Vacancy on the City Council for remainder of Former Mayor Cardenas' term, including a Potential Appointment to Fill the Vacancy or Leaving the Vacancy to be Filled at the Regular Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2022.**

Councilmember Kazarian shared criteria he recommended be used in determining how to fill the vacancy. Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriquez expressed a need to fill the vacancy. Councilmember Mejia expressed a desire to not fill the vacancy. Councilmember Parra stated he would like a process for the public to submit their interest in the vacancy, but indicated he would also be open to not filling the vacancy.

Various members of the public addressed the Council.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to appoint Leonard Hammer to the vacant City Council seat, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriquez. The motion failed: Ayes: Kazarian, Rodriquez. Noes: Mejia, Parra.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to appoint Gary Mukai to the vacant City Council seat. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

Councilmember Kazarian made a motion to appoint Patric Jones to the vacant City Council seat. Motion not seconded; motion failed.

Councilmember Mejia made a motion to leave the seat vacant until the November 8, 2022 election, seconded by Councilmember Parra. The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes: Mejia, Parra, Rodriquez. Noes: Kazarian.

There was discussion and public comment. City Attorney Cross provided information on the vacancy process, May 10, 2022 deadline, and the re-nominating process.

- 4. ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, Councilmember Mejia motioned to adjourn,
seconded by
Councilmember Parra. The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.