

**Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association**  
**General Meeting    Burges High School Library**  
**August 12, 2021    6:00 PM**

**Social Period:** 5:30-6:00

**Present:** Please see sign in sheets.

Michael Adjemian, President of the Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association, **called the meeting to order at 6:00** and welcomed everyone to our August meeting. This is our first in person meeting since COVID necessitated ZOOM meetings in 2020. Dino Medina, USN retired, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. All present then introduced themselves. The agenda was distributed.

He welcomed our primary guest speakers from CRBE and City Representative – District 3, Cassandra Hernandez.

**Guest Speaker #1:** Rebecca Rojas (real estate broker) from CRBE and Jason Barreras (developer) discussed their plans for the Mt. Hope Lutheran Church property located McRae and Montwood. They will need a zoning change. Plan is to tear down the church and replace it with three building. Their will be a meeting for those in that subdivision on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the church. They asked the CVNA for ideas for possible tenants.

**Guest Speaker #3: City Representative Cassandra Hernandez – District 3**  
<https://www.elpasotexas.gov/district-3/> , 915-212-0003; Handouts were

shared. The City of El Paso receives 27% of our total property tax bill. They will maintain the same rate for FY 2022 which begins in September, the tax exemption amount for seniors and disabled was increased this past year, street maintenance funds were increased, TIRZ at the airport will attract new business with some infrastructure already in place, Onward Alameda Project meetings planned, a COVID-19 update was given (cases & testing), next District 3 Community Meeting is Wednesday, 8/18/2021 @ 5:30 @ Andale's Restaurant, 9201 Gateway West. A question-and-answer period followed.

### **Gift Certificates:**

Winners were Ralu Rorer (Papa Eric's) and Ken (Lunch Box)

### **Announcements by Mike Adjemian:**

**Community Event:** 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party for Cielo Vista Neighborhood and National Night Out will be on Tuesday, 10/5/2021 at Ponder Park from 6-8 PM.

**Changes to CVNA Board:** 2<sup>nd</sup> VP & Treasurer – Mary Kirschenbaum; Webmaster – Mando Renteria; Rebecca Ontiveros – Secretary

**Neighborhood Improvement Project:** We submitted a dog park at Vista del Valle Park – it was too expensive at \$400,000; Cassandra Hernandez asked if it could be done in phases; our back-up plan was exercise stations at Edgemere Linear Park

**Wish List for District 3:** streetlights are needed on Mineola from Gerald to Morley – none currently; Light fixture repair on Airway (on Ben Fyfe's list); pilot program for El Paso Parks and Recreation – recycling at the parks – Ponder Park is 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mary Kirschenbaum, Secretary, read the **minutes from the July 8, 2021 General Meeting**. Motion to approve – Ralu Rorrer, 2nded by Mike Adjemian

### **Open Forum:**

#### **St. Paul's Fall Festival**

**David Rascon** (retired Burges faculty member and Alum) – Running Mustang installation for the new quad, \$23,000, \$26,000 with installation, solicitating donations for tiles in the quad with names and messages: [episd.org/burgesalumni](http://episd.org/burgesalumni)

**Treasurer's Report** given by Mando Renteria (attached): Motion to approve by Mary Kirschenbaum, 2nded by Ralu Rorrer

### **Closing Comments** by Mike Adjemian:

May change location for the next meeting due to the heat in the library.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Mary Kirschenbaum, Secretary, on August 24, 2021.