

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 22, 2016**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, November 22, 2016, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Commissioner
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
William Wepfer, City Attorney

Mayor Gilberto Gonzales declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gilberto Gonzales.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Gilberto Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes for November 8, 2016. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

AUDIENCE

Larry Cordrey, approached the Board of Commissioners with some concerns in reference to barking dogs in his neighborhood.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDING OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE 2017-18 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND-TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK

GRANT PROGRAM GRANT:

- a) Project Administration and Application Preparation Services
- b) Engineering Services

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to accept the bids and set up a committee. The committee members are Joel Soto, Andy Chavez, Delma Garza, Commissioner Chris Tamez and Commissioner Zeke Cavazos. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Cavazos, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OVERTIME REGULATION PERTAINING TO PREVIOUS EXEMPT SALARIED WORKERS EARNING LESS THAN \$47,476 PER YEAR AND AMENDMENT OF CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to implement of the United States Department of Labor overtime regulation pertaining to previous exempt salaried workers earning less than \$47,476 per year and amendment of City of Raymondville Personnel Policy. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF COMPLETED PROJECT FOR THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD-NEW WATER WELL PROJECT AS RECOMMENDED BY ENGINEER

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve to accept of completed project for the Texas Water Development Board-New Water Well Project as recommended by engineer. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF OF THIRD AND FINAL READING OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the third and final reading of the City of Raymondville's

flood damage prevention ordinance. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Tamez, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING UPDATE OF RBEG REVOLVING LOAN RECIPIENTS BY PETRA REYNA WITH THE REYNA NETWORK

- a. Frank Solis
- b. Raymondville Adult Daycare
- c. Lets Roll Driving School
- d. GinMar Investments, LLC Wing Champs
- e. J & M Speedy Lube and Auto Repair
- f. Tucker's Catering and Restaurant. LLC
- g. Laura's Floral Design
- h. Bubba's Western Wear
- i. Bibi's Truck and Trailer Equipment
- j. Juan Figueroa Floor Management Consultant
- k. Heaven Lee Sent Home Health Care, LLC

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to allow Wing Champs an extension of another quarter to comply with the 10 dollars an hour wage requirement. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Tamez

NAYS: Mayor Gonzales and Commissioner Cavazos

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST BY COMMUNITIES AGAINST SUBSTANCE ABUSE (CASA) FOR THE WAIVING OF PAVILION RENTAL FEES AT THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S VETERANS' PARK TO CONDUCT A TOWN HALL MEETING FOCUSED ON UNDERAGE DRINKING ON DECEMBER 5, 2016 FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 PM

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the request by Communities Against Substance Abuse (CASA) for the waiving of pavilion rental fees at the City of Raymondville's Veterans' Park to conduct a town hall meeting focused on underage drinking on December 5, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR BOND FOR RAINBOW ELECTRIC

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the electrical contractor bond for Rainbow Electric. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY/FIRE HALL PROJECT

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the change order no. 1 on the public safety/fire hall project. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the travel and training for City of Raymondville employees.

1. Hector Tijerina-Large Animal Rescue-San Benito, TX-Dec. 7-9, 2016
2. Letty Muniz-Truth in taxation-Dallas, TX-March 20-22, 2016
3. Edward Alaniz-online course

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Tamez approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Tamez, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Alexandre

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, had no reports.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the police department is doing everything they can in reference to the barking dogs.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners the crew have been working on water breaks. Mr. Soto also mentioned that the paving project should begin sometime in April.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that it was a success at the movie night.

RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ

REPORTS

Oscar Gutierrez, Fire Chief, was absent and had no reports.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Mayor Gilberto Gonzales declared this regular meeting adjourned.

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr.
City Manager/Secretary