

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 14, 2012**

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, February 14, 2012, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Delma C. Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Mayor Orlando A. Correa declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Orlando A. Correa.

**INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Orlando A. Correa.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JANUARY 24, 2012**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the minutes for January 24, 2012. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Gutierrez, Smith, Cavazos and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**AUDIENCE**

Daniel Morales introduced himself to the Board of Commissioners he is a representative for De Meters Power.

Brenda Guerrero from the Workforce updated the Board of Commissioners on a new program that is being offered.

Dennis Saenz Blancher introduced herself and mentioned to the Board of Commissioners that she is running for congress.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Armin Martinez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for January, 2012. Total collected for January, 2012 was \$8,710.40.

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the Municipal Court monthly report for January, 2012. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Alexandre, Smith, Cavazos and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TEXAS RESOLUTION SYSTEM AND THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE FOR INCUBATOR OFFICE SPACE AT THE RAYMONDVILLE SMALL BUSINESS INCUBATOR CENTER AS APPROVED BY THE DEVELOPMENT**

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**CORPORATION OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the amendments to lease agreement between Texas Resolution System and the City of Raymondville for incubator office space at the Raymondville Small Business Incubator Center as approved by the Development Corporation of Raymondville. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM MILITARY HIGHWAY WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION GENERAL MANAGER, AMADO SALINAS, FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF BALLOT BOXES FOR THEIR UPCOMING WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION ELECTION**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the request from Military Highway Water Supply Corporation General Manager, Amado Salinas, for the temporary use of ballot boxes for their upcoming water supply corporation election. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PARKS DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to hire a temporary employee for the City of Raymondville Parks Department. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE COTTON WOOD II AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TO BE BUILT ON LAND OWNED BY THE WILLACY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the resolution in support of the Cotton Wood II Affordable Rental Housing application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to be built on land owned by The Willacy County Housing Authority. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Alexandre, Gutierrez and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES**

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

1. Andy Chavez and Javier Rodriguez-Ground Water Production, Corpus Christi, TX-March 5-7, 2012
2. Eleazar Garcia, Jr., Chief Zamora, Andrew Maldonado, and Orlando Correa-Texas Emergency Management Conference-San Antonio, TX-April 2-5, 2012
3. Eleazar Garcia, Jr. and William Wepfer-TML Conference-Austin, TX-April 6, 2012

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2012**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for January, 2012.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the monthly Tax Assessor/Collector's report as presented. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Smith, Cavazos, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners the Financial Report for January, 2012. Mr. Garcia mentioned the invitation to the RGV partnership luncheon would be held on February 21, 2012.

William Wepfer, City Attorney, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the City of Raymondville would have to put a hold on condemning homes until they have received a determination. Mr. Garcia and himself will be attending a conference held by TML in reference to condemnation of properties.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, had no reports.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that a new fence has been installed at the Little League Park.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, presented to the Board of Commissioners an updated on the following projects:

Drainage Project

Texas Department of Health & Human Service to be completed by February 24, 2012.

Little Ceasars Project

VTCI Project

**RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ**

**REPORTS**

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

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**ADJOURN**

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

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Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary