

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JUNE 23, 2015**

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, June 23, 2015, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
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 JUNE 9, 2015

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for June 9, 2015. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

AUDIENCE

Vanessa Tijerina, approached the Board of Commissioners with some concerns the Raymondville Police Officers.

PUBLIC HEARING ON CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S 2014 ANNUAL CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR)

Mayor Orlando Correa opened the public hearing at 5:12 p.m.

No public comments.

Commissioner Cavazos closed the public hearing at 5:15 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PUBLIC HEARING ON CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S 2014 ANNUAL CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT (CCR)

No action.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDED OF BIDS ON TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD NEW WATER WELL PROJECT

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve that the city engineers review and come back with a recommendation on the next meeting. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST BY MELDEN & HUNT, INC., ENGINEERS, ON BEHALF OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE 1.198 ACRES TRACT OF LAND OUT OF BLOCK 34, RAYMONDVILLE TOWNSITE, AS RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGE 71, WILLACY COUNTY MAP RECORDS, FOR THE CITY TO ABANDON A TWENTY (20') FOOT ALLEY FOR PROPOSED CVS STORE IN RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the request by Melden & Hunt, Inc., Engineers, on behalf of the property owners of the 1.198 acres tract of land out of block 34, Raymondville Townsite, as recorded in volume 1, page 71, Willacy County map records, for the city to abandon a twenty (20') foot alley for proposed CVS store in Raymondville, Texas. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO DISPOSE OF CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE SURPLUS AND SALVAGE PROPERTY

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the authorization to dispose of City of Raymondville surplus and salvage property. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION FROM WASTEWATER COLLECTION OPERATOR, DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, JR.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the acceptance of resignation from Wastewater Collection Operator, Daniel Rodriguez, Jr. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, LEROY GOMEZ, TO WASTEWATER COLLECTIONS OPERATOR

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to transfer Street Department employee, Leroy Gomez, to Wastewater Collections Operator. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, GILBERT GALVAN, TO VACTOR TRUCK OPERATOR WITH PAY ADJUSTMENT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve to transfer Street Department employee, Gilbert Galvan, to Vactor Truck Operator with pay adjustment. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE/ADVERTISE FOR TEMPORARY STREET DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to hire/advertise for temporary Street

Department personnel. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER WATER DISTRIBUTION EMPLOYEE, RODOLFO TORRES TO WATER DISTRIBUTION EMPLOYEE, CATALINO NIETO, JR., TO STREET DEPARTMENT WITH PAY ADJUSTMENT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to transfer Water Distribution employee, Rodolfo Torres to Water Distribution employee, Catalino Nieto, Jr., to Street Department with pay adjustment. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO PROMOTE WATER DISTRIBUTION EMPLOYEE, RODOLFO TORRES TO WATER DISTRIBUTION SUPERVISOR WITH PAY ADJUSTMENT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to promote Water Distribution employee, Rodolfo Torres to Water Distribution Supervisor with pay adjustment. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE/ADVERTISE/TRANSFER FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve authorization to hire/advertise/transfer for Water Distribution Department. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION ITEMS:

- A) Temporary road closures
- B) Waiving of Fireworks Ordinance
- C) Necessary supplies and rental equipment

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the above annual 4th of July celebration items. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre, Tamez and Mayor Correa
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

- 1. Tommy Gomez-Public Agency Training Council-Georgetown, Texas-June 22, 2015
- 2. Denise Ledesma-Child Abuse-Brownsville, Texas
- 3. Olga Fadely-Edinburg, Texas-Aug. 24-27, 2015

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 Alexandre, Smith, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Correa
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the papers for the walking trail had been signed with the Texas Park and Wildlife. Mr. Garcia also mentioned the 4th of July events that are coming up.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that two arrest had been made in connection to passion of marijuana and cocaine.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that they have been working on weedy lots, pot holes and alleyways. Mr. Soto also presented a power point in reference to waterlines being replaced and curbs reconstructed.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners an update on the house on 504 West San Francisco.

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 Orlando A. Correa declared this regular meeting adjourned.

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr.
City Manager/Secretary