

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR MAY 22, 2018**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director  
William R. 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 MAY 8, 2018**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the minutes for May 8, 2018. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Smith, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

**AUDIENCE**

No audience participation at this city meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON REQUEST BY OWNER, ALBINO REYES, JR., TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE RE-ZONING OF CUELLO SUBDIVISION, LOTS 14 THRU 17, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN THE MAP OF PLAT RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 482 S. 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET, FROM RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO COMMERCIAL ZONE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A FOOD SERVICE TRAILER**

Mayor Gonzales opened the public hearing at 5:05 p.m.

No public comments.

Mayor Gonzales closed the public hearing at 5:08 p.m.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM OWNER, ALBINO REYES, JR., TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE RE-ZONING OF CUELLO SUBDIVISION, LOTS 14 THRU 17, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN THE MAP OF PLAT RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 482 S. 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET, FROM RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO COMMERCIAL ZONE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A FOOD SERVICE TRAILER**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission the request from owner, Albino Reyes, Jr., to consider for approval the re-zoning of

Cuello Subdivision, Lots 14 thru 17, Raymondville, Texas as recorded in the Map of Plat records of Willacy County, Texas, also described as 482 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, from residential zone to commercial zone for the sole purpose of operating a food service trailer. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**CONDEMNATION PUBLIC HEARING ON BUILDING AND PROPERTY LOCATED AT 789 WEST SAN FRANCISCO STREET, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS, ALSO DESCRIBED AS LAS PALMAS SUBDIVISION, BLOCK 1, LOTS 1 THRU 4, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN THE MAP OF PLAT RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Mayor Gonzales opened the public hearing at 5:10 p.m.

No public comments.

Mayor Gonzales closed the public hearing at 5:12 p.m.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING BUILDING AND PROPERTY LOCATED AT 789 WEST SAN FRANCISCO STREET, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS, ALSO DESCRIBED AS LAS PALMAS SUBDIVISION, BLOCK 1, LOTS 1 THRU 4, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN THE MAP OF PLAT RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to allow 60 days to repair, secure, or demolish his home if owner doesn't comply the city will demolish. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND SENSUS USA INC.**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the amendment to the advanced metering infrastructure agreement between the City of Raymondville and Sensus USA Inc. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR MATERNITY LEAVE FROM RAYMONDVILLE TAX AND PERMIT CLERK, KASANDRA ROMO**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the request for maternity leave from Raymondville Tax and permit clerk, Kasandra Romo. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR THE TAX AND PERMIT DEPARTMENT AT CITY HALL**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to hire temporary employee for the

Tax and Permit Department at City Hall. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH DE LA POOL SERVICES FOR CHEMICAL OPERATIONS AT THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the contract with De La Pool Services for chemical operations at the City of Raymondville Swimming Pool. The city will be purchasing the chemicals. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION FROM TEMPORARY STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, JOE RIVERA, JR.**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to accept the resignation from temporary street department employee, Joe Rivera, Jr. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR STREET DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the authorization to hire temporary employee for street department. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1220, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER "OIL, GAS, AND MINERALS" TO BE ADDED TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS; TO PROHIBIT OIL AND GAS ACTIVITIES WITHIN 750 FEET OF PROTECTED USES, SUCH AS RESIDENCES, COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES AND SCHOOL BUILDINGS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve on one reading waving the required three readings. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

Commissioner Smith moved to approve Ordinance No. 1220, An ordinance adopting a new chapter “oil, gas, and minerals” to be added to the code of ordinance of the City of Raymondville, Texas; to prohibit oil and gas activities within 750 feet of protected uses, such as residences, commercial structures and school buildings; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty clause; providing an open meetings clause; providing for publication and an effective date. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

Commissioner Tamez approved and authorize payment of the City’s bills as presented also including travel and training for Belinda Villarreal. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Financial Report for April, 2018. Mr. Garcia also mentioned that the city pool would be opened on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported that the Meals on Wheels program have been very positive to the community.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, had no reports.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, 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.

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Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary