

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR MAY 27, 2014**

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, May 27, 2014, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Orlando A. Correa, Mayor  
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
William Wepfer, City Attorney  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Clifton Smith, Commissioner

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 Correa.

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

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2014**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for May 13, 2014. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**AUDIENCE**

No audience participation at this meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVIEW OF TEXAS GAS SERVICE COMPANY'S (TGS) COST OF SERVICE ADJUSTMENT (COSA) TARIFF; APPROVING OF A JOINT REVIEW OF TGS' APPLICATION ALONG WITH OTHER CITIES SERVED BY TGS; HIRING LEGAL AND CONSULTING SERVICES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE COMPANY AND DIRECT ANY NECESSARY LITIGATION AND APPEALS; REQUIRING TGS TO REIMBURSE ALL REASONABLE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CITIES' EFFORTS IN THIS RATEMAKING EFFORT; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO TGS AND LEGAL COUNSEL**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the resolution authorizing review of Texas Gas Service Company's (TGS) Cost of Service Adjustment (COSA) Tariff; approving of a joint review of TGS' application along with other cities served by TGS; hiring legal and consulting services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; requiring TGS to reimburse all reasonable costs associated with Cities' efforts in this ratemaking effort; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this resolution to TGS and legal counsel. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE COREDC SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOANS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Commissioner Gutierrez moved to approve the adoption of the COREDC Small Business Revolving Loans Policies and Procedures. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE COREDC SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN ADVISORY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the appointment of the COREDC Small Business Revolving Loan Advisory Review Committee Members. The members are as follows: Mayor Orlando Correa, City Manager, Eleazar Garcia, Jr., Virginia Torres, and Retail Bank Officer, Mary Delgado. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THE COREDC SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN APPLICATION**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the adoption of the COREDC Small Business Revolving Loan Application. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gutierrez, Cavazos, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE COUNCIL WILL MEET IN A JOINT WORKSHOP WITH THE COREDC BOARD AND THE COREDC SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN ADVISORY REVIEW COMMITTEE AND MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND OR TAKE ACTIONS CONCERNING THE COREDC SMALL BUSINESS REVOLVING LOAN WORKSHOP**

No action taken.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE SETTING OF SWIMMING POOL PARTY RATES FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the setting of swimming pool party rates for the upcoming season. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD ANNUAL CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY POOL PARTY**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to hold annual City of Raymondville Employee and Family Pool Party. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by

the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Gutierrez, Alexandre and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the budget amendments for the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**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. Andrew Maldonado-Homicide and Question Death Scene Training-Bayton, Texas-June 30-July 2, 2014
2. Letty Muniz-Advanced Assessment and Collection- Austin, Texas-Sept. 8-10<sup>th</sup>, 2014
3. Judge Armin Martinez-Judges Seminar-El Paso, Texas- June 9-11, 2014

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

Commissioner Alexandre 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, Cavazos, Alexandre, and Mayor Correa

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the Trash Bash will be on June 14<sup>th</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Garcia also mentioned that the Animal Control Officer, Jesus Coy will be out on workers comp. due to injury.

Denise Blanchard presented the Board of Commissioners with a final report of the Raymondville Community Projects.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that on Friday will be Movie Night at the Park and the Police Department will be selling snacks to raise money for the Christmas in July and the COPS for Tots events.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, was absent and had no reports.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners that a meeting will be held on Wednesday with Allied Waste and invited the council to attend.

**RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ REPORTS**

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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.

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Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary