

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR MAY 9, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7th Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Joel Garcia, Commissioner
Tony Chavez, City Manager
Delma Garza, City Secretary
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
Joel Soto, Public Works Director
Alejandro Gallaga, City Attorney

Absent: Clifton Smith, Commissioner

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ABSENCE FROM MEETING BY MAYOR OR CITY COMMISSIONERS AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE II, SECTION 6, OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S HOME RULE CHARTER

Chris Tamez was absent at this city meeting.

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

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR APRIL 25, 2023

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for April 25, 2023. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Garcia, Gonzales, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

AUDIENCE

Adrianna Guerrero approached the Board of Commissioners to advise them the Raymondville Senior Class would be having a kick ball tournament this weekend at the Veterans Park.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM AND UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND SOUTH TEXAS ISD FOR THE USE OF THE PARKING LOT FACILITIES LOCATED 700 FM 3168, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS TO PICK UP AND DROP OFF SOUTH TEXAS ISD STUDENTS

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the MOU between the City of Raymondville and South Texas ISD for the use of the parking lot facilities located 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas to pick up and drop off South Texas ISD students. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Tamez, Garcia, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE/TRANSFER/ADVERTISE FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE STREET DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the authorization to hire/transfer/advertise for the City of Raymondville street department. Commissioner Garcia second the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Tamez, Garcia, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE RENTAL FEES FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE MUNICIPAL POOL

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the increase for the rental fees for the City of Raymondville Municipal Pool. New hourly rate will be \$75.00 an hour. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Garcia, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074, TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, RE-ASSIGNING DUTIES, DISCIPLINE AND DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE. (RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION COORDINATOR- DAVID C. GOMEZ)

This agenda item was passed.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 4

This agenda item was passed.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

1. City officials and city manager-TML-SPI, Texas-5/18 & 5/19/23
2. Cedrick Jimenez-TLETS/TCIC full access course-Harlingen, Texas-6/6-6/8/23
3. Cedrick Jimenez-Public Safety Telecommunicator-on-line
4. David Gomez and EDC board members-Continue Education Course-Allen, Texas-6/21-6/23/23

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

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

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Garcia, Gonzales, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

REPORTS

Tony Chavez, City Manager, presented to the Board of Commissioners the financial report for the month of March, 2023.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT
REPORTS

This agenda item was passed.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, invited the Board of Commissioners to celebrate Police Memorial Week May 15th thru 19th, 2023. A luncheon will be on May 17th at 12 o'clock noon at the Tourist Center.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, had no reports.

RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
REPORTS

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, updated the Board of Commissioners on the revolving loans and sales tax.

ADJOURN

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

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Tony Chavez, City Manager