

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR JULY 9, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Joel Garcia, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
Delma C. Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Ryan Solis, City Attorney  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

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

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

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

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JULY 2, 2019**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the minutes for July 2, 2019. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Garcia and Commissioner Tamez

**AUDIENCE**

Sara Mata approached the Board of Commissioners with a concern.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Felecita Gutierrez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for June, 2019. Total collected for June, 2019 was \$16,777.66.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE 2018 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT**

Mayor Gonzales opened the public hearing at 5:09 p.m.

No public comments.

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 ON THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE REVERSE OSMOSIS WATER PLANT PROJECT**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the change order no. 4 on the City of Raymondville Reverse Osmosis Water Plant Project. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS  
CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE DEPARTMENTS**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the budget amendments City of Raymondville Departments. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO CITY OF  
RAYMONDVILLE EIGHT LINER ORDINANCES NO. 1142 AND NO. 1204**

No action taken.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDED BIDS ON TDA  
GRANT #7218391-SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to accept the bids as presented by the engineer and have the engineer review and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION FROM  
WALFRED ERICKSON, LIFT STATION OPERATOR**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the acceptance of resignation from Walfred Erickson, Lift Station Operator. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING HIRING/TRANSFER/ADVERTISE FOR LIFT  
STATION OPERATOR**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the hiring/transfer/advertise for Lift Station Operator. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

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

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

1. Melissa Sanchez and Stephen Ramirez-Crime Scene Search- RISD-July 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2019
2. Joel Garcia-Newly Elected Officer-Austin, TX-Aug, 2019
3. Jose Perales, Edward Ramirez, Andy Chavez-Pesticide Applicator License-Fort Bend, TX-7/16 & 7/17/19
4. David and Mr. Garcia-Tax Abatement-McAllen, TX-Aug. 2019
5. R. Castro, J. Arriaga, J. Rodriguez and D. Ledesma-Detective & New Criminal Investigator-New Braunfels, TX-7/28-/8/2/19

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners that next meeting bids for Phase 2 would be open.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event was successful.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, updated the Board of Commissioners on street repairs.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, was absent.

**RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

David Gomez, Economic Development Coordinator, update the Board of Commissioners on current and future projects.

**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