

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

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, September 24, 2019, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Joel Garcia, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
Ryan Solis, City Attorney
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

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

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

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 10 AND SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes for September 10 and September 17, 2019. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Garcia, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this meeting.

BUDGET WORKSHOP FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BUDGET

No action taken.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, PASSAGE AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1239, ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE 2019-20 FISCAL YEAR, WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve to waive the three reading and approve on one reading. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 1239, Adopting a Budget for the 2019-20 Fiscal Year as presented. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, PASSAGE AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1240, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MONEY FOR ALL NECESSARY EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20, WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to waive the three readings and approve on one reading. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 1240, Making Appropriations of Sums of Money for all necessary expenditures for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, PASSAGE AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1241, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF DEBT SERVICE TAXES FOR DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES AND MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION EXPENDITURES BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20, WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to waive the three readings and approve on one reading. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the passage, and adoption of Ordinance No. 1241, providing for the Levy, Assessment and collection of debt service taxes for debt service expenditures and maintenance and operation taxes for maintenance and operation expenditures by the City of Raymondville for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, PASSAGE AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1237, AMENDING THE 2018-19 BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1237, AMENDING THE 2018-19 BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1223 WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to waive the three readings and approve on one reading. Commissioner Smith 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

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 1237, Amending the 2018-19 Budget Ordinance No. 1237, Amending the 2018-19 Budget Ordinance No. 1223. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL, PASSAGE AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1238, AMENDING THE 2018-19 APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 1224, WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve to waive the three readings and approve on one reading. Commissioner Gonzales 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

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 1238, Amending the 2018-19 Appropriations Ordinance No. 1224. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the City of Raymondville Economic Development Corporation's Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THIRD AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1235, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO.'S 1023, 1057, 1067, 1075, 1088, 1092, 1107, 1115, 1126, 1138, 1144, AND 1154; PRESCRIBING THE RATES AND CHARGES TO BE CHARGED BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS FOR THE FURNISHING OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO THE INHABITANTS OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS; PROVIDING THAT OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCES NO.'S 1023, 1057, 1067, 1075, 1088, 1092, 1107, 1115, 1126, 1138, 1144 AND 1154, NOT AMENDED SHALL REMAIN THE SAME; AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE FULL FORCE AND EFFECTIVE ON OCTOBER 1, 2019

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve on the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1235, "An Ordinance amending Ordinance No.'s 1023, 1057, 1067, 1075, 1088, 1092, 1107, 1115, 1126, 1138, 1144, and 1154; prescribing the rates and charges to be charged by the Water Department of the City of Raymondville, Texas for the furnishing of water and sewer services to the inhabitants of said City; prescribing the rates to be charged for inhabitants outside the city limits; providing that other provisions of Ordinances No.'s 1023, 1057, 1067, 1075, 1088, 1092, 1107, 1115, 1126, 1138, 1144 and 1154, not amended shall remain the same; and declaring that this ordinance shall be in full force and effective on October 1, 2019. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by

the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDING OF PROPOSALS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS PER TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TWDB) REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S TWDB-WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT:

- a) Engineering
- b) Bond Counsel
- c) Financial Advisor

Commissioner Smith moved to approve and accept proposals for engineering as submitted and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve and accept proposals for bond counsel as submitted and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve and accept proposal for financial advisor as submitted and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE TWDB PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROPOSALS TO ESTABLISHED TWDB SCORING COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW, SCORING AND RECOMMENDATION

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the authorization to submit the TWDB professional services proposals to established TWDB professional services proposals to established TWDB scoring committee for review, scoring and recommendation. Commissioner Garcia 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 OPENING AND AWARDING BID/PROPOSALS ON COMPUTER MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve to accept the bids for the computer maintenance services for

the City of Raymondville for Fiscal Year 2019-20 and have the review committee make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RAYMONDVILLE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE LEASE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the Raymondville Municipal Golf Course Lease for the Fiscal Year 2019-20. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR REPORT FOR AUGUST 2019

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for August, 2019.

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the monthly Tax Assessor/Collector's report as presented. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Smith 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, Smith, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

No travel and training were presented at this meeting.

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners the financial report for August, 2019.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the department have completed their training before the deadline and are now certified.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioner an update of the drainage project. Mr. Soto also mentioned that Phase 2 of the street project has begun.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners an update on the sewer project.

RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ

Chief Gutierrez was absent and 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.

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Eleazar Garcia, Jr. City Manager/Secretary