

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2020**

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, February 11, 2020, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Joel Garcia, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

ABSENT: Ryan Solis, City Attorney

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 JANUARY 28, 2020**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes for January 28, 2020. 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

**AUDIENCE**

Annette Hinojosa, District Attorney thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support during Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Belinda Villarreal, Municipal Court Clerk, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for January, 2020. Total collected for January, 2020 was \$14,511.69.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE WILLACY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2020 HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX BUDGET**

Mayor Gonzales opened the public hearing at 5:20 p.m.

No public comments.

Mayor Gonzales closed the public hearing at 5:21 p.m.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE WILLACY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2020 HOTEL/MOTEL**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the Willacy County Chamber of Commerce 2020 Hotel/Motel. Commissioner Garcia 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 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE UPDATED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN AND DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the resolution adopting the updated Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan for the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 551.072, DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT)**

The City Commissioners entered in Executive Session at approximately 5:43 p.m.

The City Commissioners returned from Executive Session at approximately 6:09 p.m.

**ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 4**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to initiate procedures for the sale of 1.438 acres to Valley Veterinary. 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 AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE OFFICERS TO WORK AT THE UPCOMING SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPRING BREAK 2020**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to allow City of Raymondville Police Officers to work at the upcoming South Padre Island Spring Break 2020. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM THE CROSS CHURCH TO WAIVE PARK PAVILION RENTAL FEES AT THE SMILEY PARK TO CONDUCT AN EASTER EGG HUNT FOR THE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the request from the Cross Church to waive park pavilion rental fees at the Smiley Park to conduct an Easter Egg Hunt for the youth in our community on Saturday, April 11. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF LEASE RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND THE TEXAS BOLL**

**WEEVIL ERADICATION FOUNDATION AT THE RAYMONDVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the lease renewal agreement between the City of Raymondville and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at the Raymondville Industrial Park. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS FOR OFFICE SPACE AT THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE RURAL TECHNOLOGY BUILDING**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve of lease agreement between the City of Raymondville and Workforce Solutions for office space at the City of Raymondville Rural Technology Building. Commissioner Tamez 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

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

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

1. Melissa Sanchez-New Detective Investigator Course-New Braunfels, Texas-4/27/20-5/1/20
2. Andy Chavez, Joe Paredes and Edward Ramirez-Mosquito Vector Control Class-McAllen, Texas-3/11 & 3/12/20

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

Commissioner Smith approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. 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

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the financial report for the month of January, 2020.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, had no reports.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

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

**RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, updated the Board of Commissioners on the Accelerated Financial Solutions, LLC. Mr. Gomez also mentioned that New Day Resiliency Center is going to have a job fair tomorrow, February 12, 2020 and opening date would be February 24, 2020.

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**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