

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR MAY 12 2020**

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 12, 2020, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor
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
Ryan Solis, City Attorney

ABSENT: Clifton Smith, Commissioner

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 MARCH 10, MARCH 23 AND APRIL 28, 2020

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for March 10, March 23 and April 28, 2020. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

AUDIENCE

Mrs. Rodriguez had a concern and addressed the Board of Commissioners.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Felicita Gutierrez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for April, 2020. Total collected for April, 2020 was \$1,608.68.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT TO CONTRACT BAILIFF SERVICES AND WARRANT OFFICER SERVICES FOR THE REMAINING FISCAL YEAR

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the authorization for the City of Raymondville Municipal Court to contract bailiff services and warrant officer services for the remaining fiscal year pending review by city attorney. 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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REVISED APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT FORM TO BE USED BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE

BUILDING PERMIT DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the revised application for building permit form to be used
Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 ON TDA #7218391 SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the change order no. 2 on TDA#7218391 Sewer System Improvement Grant. 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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 ON CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASE II PROJECT

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the change order no. 1 on City of Raymondville Street Improvements Phase II Project. 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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-CJD FOR OPERATION STONEGARDEN

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the resolution authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Office of the Governor-CDJ for Operation Stonegarden. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP'Ss) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFOs) FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-MITIGATION (CDBG-MIT) GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO)

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to issue requests for proposals (RFP's) for administrative services and requests for qualifications (RFP's) for administrative services related to the Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Grant programs Administered by the Texas General Land Office (GLO). 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 APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATION PAY INCREASE FOR COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER, ANICA GARCIA, RETROACTIVE TO MARCH 10, 2020

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the certification pay increase for communications officer, Anica Garcia, retroactive to March 10, 2020. 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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE A POLICE OFFICER FOR THE RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the authorization to hire a police officer for the Raymondville Police Department. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Tamez, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR ITS WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT:

- a) Application Resolution-Certificate of Secretary Form (TWDB 0201B)
- b) Application filing and Authorized Representative Resolution Form (WRD-201A)
- c) Application Affidavit

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the Application Resolution-Certificate of Secretary Form (TWDB 0201B). Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Tamez, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the Application filing and Authorized Representative Resolution Form (WRD-201A). Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Gonzales, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the Application Affidavit for the funding to the Texas Water Development Board for its Water System Improvements Project. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Tamez, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION RELATING TO ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THE

PRIOR LAWFUL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RELATING TO CONSTRUCTING VARIOUS CITY IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX -EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the resolution relating to establishing the city's intention to reimburse itself to the prior lawful expenditure of funds relating to constructing various city improvements from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued by the City for authorized purposes; authorizing other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date. 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

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

No travel and training at this meeting.

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Gonzales 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, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the city could apply for reimbursement from the state for expenses related to the coronavirus pandemic.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, today is the last day that the officers will enforce the COVID-19 orders.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

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

Mr. Soto also mentioned that the city water crew had been working on three major water breaks and that the grass crew have been cutting the grass at the parks.

RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, 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