

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 10, 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, November 10, 2020, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

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

ABSENT:

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 OCTOBER 13, 2020

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for October 13, 2020. 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

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this city meeting.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Belinda Villarreal, Municipal Court Clerk, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for October, 2020. Total collected for October, 2020 was \$7,219.82.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND ROUND III EXPENDITURES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STIMULUS PAYMENTS TO BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AFFECTED BY BUSINESS INTERRUPTION AS A RESULT OF THE CORONAVIRUS EPIDEMIC

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the Coronavirus Relief Fund Round III expenditures for economic development stimulus payments to businesses in the City of Raymondville affected by business interruption as a result of the coronavirus epidemic. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Garcia, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CORPORATION

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to appoint Pam Leverett and Marty Martinez as board members for the City of Raymondville Economic Development Corporation. 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 TWO (2) STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES AND ONE (1) WATER DISTRIBUTION EMPLOYEE

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the authorization to hire two (2) street department employees and one (1) water distribution employee. Commissioner Gonzales 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 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND THE CITY OF LYFORD PERTAINING TO THE HOUSING OF PRISONERS AT THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the memorandum of understanding between the City of Raymondville and the City of Lyford pertaining to the housing of prisoners at the City of Raymondville Police Department. 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

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

1. Melissa Sanchez-Waco, TX-11/ 30-12/4, 2020

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Commissioner Tamez 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, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, updated the Board of Commissioners on the CARES Act funds.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, had no reports.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the crew are cutting down trees and the sweeper has been running.

RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

David Gomez, EDC Coordinator, updated the Board of Commissioners on the FIT540 loan and other businesses that are coming to town in the future.

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