

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 23, 2018**

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, January 23, 2018, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Commissioner
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
Joel Soto, Public Works Director
Chief Zamora, Chief of Police
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney

ABSENT: Clifton Smith, Commissioner

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

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

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Gilberto Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JANUARY 9, 2018

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the minutes for January 9, 2018. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this city meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS AND CAVAZOS PROPERTIES, OLIVIA CAVAZOS, OWNER, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1200 W. HIDALGO AVENUE, RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS 78580 ALSO DESCRIBED AS RAYMONDVILLE OUTLOT H & G, BLOCK 4, LOT UNNUMBERED (256' X 410) {37-2} FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SENIOR LIVING APARTMENTS

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve to the tax abatement agreement between the City of Raymondville, Texas and Cavazos properties, Olivia Cavazos, owner, for the property located at 1200 W. Hidalgo Avenue, Raymondville, Texas 78580 also described as Raymondville Outlot H & G, Block 4, Lot Unnumbered (256' X 410) {37-2} for the construction of senior living apartments. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIVE SHOOTER POLICY

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the City of Raymondville Police Department's Active Shooter Policy. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE/ADVERTISE FOR A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE STREET DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the authorization to hire/advertise for a temporary employee for the City of Raymondville Street Department. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

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

1. Marc Flores and Alonso Gonzalez-Border Prosecution- Edinburg, TX-Feb. 7 & 8, 2018

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

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

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Financial Report for December, 2017. Mr. Garcia also gave an update on the street project.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police reported to the Board of Commissioners that he is fully staffed. Chief Zamora also mentioned that the ACO is still in training.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, had no reports.

Andy Chavez, Assistant Public Works Director, gave the Board of Commissioners an update on the current condemnation properties.

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