

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JUNE 13, 2017**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police
William Wepfer, City Attorney
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor

Mayor Pro Temp Clifton Smith declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Temp Clifton Smith.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Temp Clifton Smith.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MAY 23, 2017

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the minutes for May 23, 2017. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez, Cavazos and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

AUDIENCE

No audience participation at this meeting.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT

Felecita Gutierrez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for May, 2017. Total collected for May, 2017 was \$23,150.15.

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the Municipal Court Report for the month of May, 2017. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CANVASSING OF FINAL ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE OFFICERS' ELECTION HELD ON MAY 6, 2017

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the canvassing of final election results for the City of Raymondville Officers' election held on May 6, 2017. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the

motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ENERGY SERVICES CONTRACT WITH SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WATER METERS IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the energy services contract with Schneider Electric for the replacement of water meters in the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION EXPENDITURES

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the 4th of July celebration expenditures up to \$8,000.00. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ELECTION EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE OFFICERS' ELECTION HELD ON MAY 6, 2017

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the election expenditures no more than \$15,200.00 for the City of Raymondville Officers' election held on May 6, 2017. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST BY RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR, NOEMI GARZA, TO BE PAID FOR UNUSED VACATION LEAVE

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the request by Raymondville Police Department Communications Supervisor, Noemi Garza, to be paid for unused vacation leave. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACT BOND FOR 3E & M ELECTRIC

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the electrical contract bond for 3E & M Electric. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE VALLEY EMPOWERMENT ZONE AS APPROVED BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EDC

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the lease agreement with the Valley Empowerment Zone as approved by the City of Raymondville EDC. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RURAL TECHNOLOGY BUILDING INCUBATOR STRATEGY AS APPROVED BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EDC

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the Rural Technology Building Incubator Strategy as approved by the City of Raymondville EDC. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Cavazos, Alexandre, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS-WORK EXPERIENCE YOUTH PROGRAM AS APPROVED BY THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EDC

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the Workforce Solutions-Work experience youth program as approved by the City of Raymondville EDC. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 551.072, TO DELIBERATE THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE

The City Commissioners entered in Executive Session at approximately 6:00 p.m.

The City Commissioners returned from Executive Session at approximately 6:21 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 10

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the letter of intent between AL Global and the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Tamez, Alexandre, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES

No travel and training at this meeting.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR MAY, 2017

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for May, 2017.

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

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez, Cavazos, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

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

AYES: Commissioners Cavazos, Tamez, Alexandre, and Mayor Pro Temp Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Gonzales

REPORTS

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, reported that he has meet with the engineers on the construction of the street repair and paving improvements.

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, presented to the Board of Commissioners the animal control monthly activity report. Chief Zamora also mentioned he would like to meet with two commissioners on the dog and cat ordinance for possible changes.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the city crew have been working on weedy lots and pot holes.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, was absent.

RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ

REPORTS

Oscar Gutierrez, Fire Chief, was absent and had no reports.

RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Rina Castillo, EDC Executive Director, was absent.

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Mayor Pro Temp Smith declared this regular meeting adjourned.

Clifton Smith, Mayor Pro Temp

ATTEST: _____
Eleazar Garcia, Jr.
City Manager/Secretary